

Blue Coat Church of England School & Music College

This is the Autumn half-term edition of Fullness! Our newsletter brings you all of the latest news from Blue Coat School.

MRS SHELLEY'S REFLECTION

It was a joy to read the Autumn term edition of Fullness and to have the opportunity to reflect on the many fantastic achievements of Blue Coat students. As I have reflected on this half-term, we also



reflect as a community on the service of Bishop Christopher to the Coventry Diocese. After fifteen years as Bishop of Coventry, he leaves us this month to take up his new post as Dean of Windsor, where he will continue his christian service to King Charles. During his time in Coventry, Bishop Christopher has been a strong supporter of Church of England Education and especially of Blue Coat school. He frequently visited our school and was known well to students and staff alike, having sent his own children to study here. As Bishop he actively contributed to our 'Excellent' SIAMS inspection in June 2022 and celebrated our EDI (Equality, Diversity and Inclusion) Gold Award last year. He has been a strong advocate of all members of the Blue Coat community, in particular celebrating and bringing together those of other worshipping communities and faiths. I attended his service of Thanksgiving on Saturday 4th November and was delighted to see so many of our Blue Coat students in the cathedral choir to mark this occasion. Particular thanks go to Libby, Emma, Zack, Sophie and Jordan. We would like to dedicate this edition of Fullness to Bishop Christopher, thanking him for his years of service to Coventry and wish him every blessing in his new post.

Mrs Shelley, Headteacher

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" 2 Corinthians 5:17

Rian Dodd is a remarkable Year 7 student who has inspired us all with his strength in the face of adversity. Earlier

OUR BATTLE WITH BUTTER!

this year Rian was sadly diagnosed with a rare form of cancer. He has displayed such bravery as he underwent two surgeries - first to amputate three of his fingers and then a second to remove the rest of his hand and forearm. Rian has had to undergo months of chemotherapy in an attempt to halt the spread of the disease you can read more on page 10.

Facing buttering toast for his breakfast with his remaining hand and realising how difficult this is, Rian set a challenge to others - "Can you butter toast with one hand?!"

Coventry City players Tatsu Sakamoto and Milan van Ewijk, members of the Labamba cast, including former 'Strictly' contestant Pasha Kovalev as well as Radio CWR and Radio 5 Live presenters, in addition to countless members of the public attempted this challenge - some with more success than others!

We decided to take on Rian's challenge too! You can judge who's the best at it!

Here are the photos of the challenge in action but if you click HERE you can see the video - as you will see, it's not as easy as you might think to butter toast with one hand!

If you decide to give the challenge a go, please send your videos to admin@bluecoatschool.com.



To hear a BBC **CWR** radio interview with Rian talking about his toast challenge, click here or on the image of Rian (left).



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FANTASTIC BEGINNINGS!

Our new Year 7 students took part in a very special award ceremony at the beginning of term.

Mrs Shelley was delighted to award more than fifty of our new students with a CHRIST value award certificate.

Students were nominated by staff for demonstrating our CHRIST values in their first week.

Mrs Gates, who oversees the pastoral support for Year 7, said "What a fantastic start to their Blue Coat journey!"



SMSC CHALLENGES

Here are some great entries from Kanav (Year 7) and Isaac (Year 8) to celebrate *Ganesh Chaturthi* which began on September 19th.

Miss Clemo said "Thank you to all students who submitted a piece of work for September's SMSC Challenge. Make sure you check Class Charts for SMSC Challenges each month!"



A FASCINATING VIEW OF POLICING THROUGH TIME

Coventry police rewarded members of our Youth Council recently with a trip to the West Midlands Police Museum.

They had the pleasure of meeting Rani Gundhu, a trailblazer in the police world, whose accolades include being awarded six medals and the title of QPM (Queen's Police Medal), Honorary Doctorate Positive Action, National Women in Policing Awards and the longest serving female officer.

The students were immersed into the changing landscape of policing and learnt valuable insights into key moments and individuals in Coventry and West Midlands. They got to solve a crime using forensic and questioning techniques and got to experience cell life in the Victorian era.

Mrs Hathaway collaborated with a PHD student, utilising research and expertise to explore themes of Divine through a Sikh lens recently and was proud to see our students' RE work feature in a national publication this half term.



THE BIG AMBITION - CHILDREN'S SURVEY

The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched The Big Ambition, a national survey of children and young people across England.

The Big Ambition aims to hear from children across England on what they think is important! In the lead up to the next General Election, the Children's Commissioner wants to take children's thoughts, opinions and ideas to decision-makers,

to make sure that the Government hears young people's voices on what they think needs to be done to make children's lives better in England.

The Big Ambition is open to children and young people in England aged 0-18 years old and will be open until Friday 15th December.



The survey has been sent to schools across England so they can hear from children and young people aged from 6 to 18. Parents are also being encouraged to complete the survey for those who may need additional support or on behalf of younger children (under 6) to make sure the needs of early years children are represented too. There is a 2 minute video <u>HERE</u>.

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IGNITE YOUR PASSION: WORK INSPIRATION DAY 2023!

At the end of the last academic year, we held our first Work Inspiration Day for all Year 10 students.

Careers Lead, Mrs Cheshire said "The day was a huge success and an absolute blast for all involved!"

Students got the opportunity to experience various roles and professions, from inspecting the health and safety aspects of our new Sixth Form block with Deely Construction, to learning about prosthetic make-up with renowned artist and ex-Blue Coat student Hari Baines.

The feedback we received from students was incredible and we're thrilled to announce that we're planning another Work Inspiration Day for the current Year 10 students later this year.



Mrs Cheshire added "We believe that it is crucial for students to get hands-on experience and a taste of different professions before they make important decisions about their future careers. We're excited to see what other amazing opportunities we can arrange for our students in the future."

AMAZING GRACE!

The Sixth Form Christian Union hosted the Amazing Grace Worship Event recently. The event was attended by over 100 of our students from across all year groups. Joe Morris, a youth worker from Elim Church gave an encouraging message to students about God's amazing grace. Mr Corden said "It was a joyful and moving occasion. We would like to thank CI M and Flim Churches for supporting this event."



WORLD AFRO DAY

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September 15th marked World Afro Day, which is a global day of celebration and liberation for Afro hair and identity. The day encourages people from all backgrounds to tackle hair discrimination and empower change. Year 9 student, Samuel, wrote a fantastic poem to celebrate this day which you can read here.

World Afro Day Poem

On World Afro Day, we celebrate with pride The beauty of hair, a symbol deep and wide A crown of curls, a testament to history Resilience and strength, a powerful mystery

From kinks to coils, in every shade and hue Afros tell stories, old and new They're a symbol of heritage, a work of art A reminder that Black culture is a vital part

With each strand, there's a tale to share Of triumphs, struggles, and the love we bear On this special day, let our afros bloom A symbol of unity, dispelling gloom

So let's raise our voices, let's loudly say Happy World Afro Day, in a joyful display! With pride in our hearts and Afros so grand Together we stand, across every land

OUR HARDSHIP FUND

Readers of *Fullness!* will know that we have a Hardship Fund at Blue Coat. This fund is used to purchase school uniform, PE kit, other subject equipment or any other essentials needed for school. Any family struggling to finance these items can then apply for these funds.

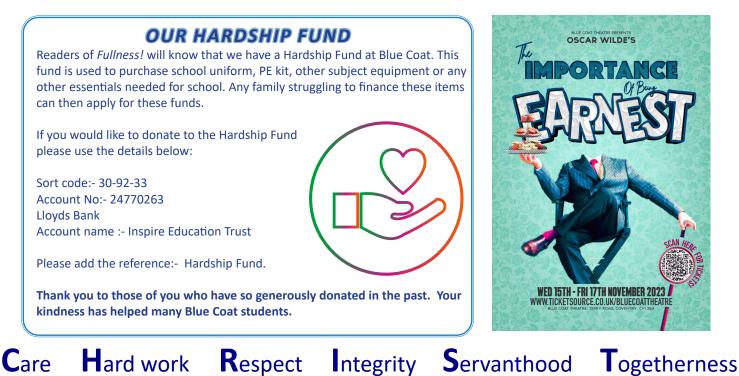
If you would like to donate to the Hardship Fund please use the details below:

Sort code:- 30-92-33 Account No:- 24770263 Lloyds Bank Account name :- Inspire Education Trust

Please add the reference:- Hardship Fund.

Thank you to those of you who have so generously donated in the past. Your kindness has helped many Blue Coat students.





COVENTRY SEA CADETS

We congratulate Blue Coat students who attend Coventry Sea Cadets on passing their recent Royal Navy inspection. They were fantastic and the officers were very impressed with how hard they had been working. We hope they enjoy their residential visit to Portsmouth where they will take part in off-road mountain biking as well as undertaking their Naval Airman



proficiency. If you would like to see more of what Coventry Sea Cadets are getting up to please contact <u>unit@coventryseacadets.org.uk</u>.

TALK FOR WORK PROGRAMME

We have been running the *Talk for Work* intervention programme in school for a while now, and five students have all worked extremely hard learning new skills, language and learning the importance of the communication chain.

Year 10 students Mohammad Assad, Abner Atif, Callum Taylor, Alisha Wolstenholme and Ahmad Mohamed spent time working in small groups and progressed steadily through the programme.



The students were tasked with creating a presentation and extended invitations to local employers and Mrs Shelley for a viewing.

Miss Toman said "The presentation they put together was brilliant, informative and interactive for their audience. Both myself and Mr Malcolm are extremely proud of their progress and new skills they gained."

BBC BITESIZE SCHOOL TOUR

Earlier this term we hosted the fantastic BBC Bitesize School Tour. Year 7-10 students had so much fun when the tour visited our school. It was a day filled with inspiration and excitement. The hosts and production team were so engaging and open about the variety of roles they had at the BBC. It is always important to know that there are many different paths to take in the media industry. The finance and script writing roles were particularly interesting to hear about! Everyone loved the rapping too!

It was also fantastic to hear the students be so engaged and curious. Asking tough questions like "*What is your biggest regret at work*?" shows how our young people are not afraid to think critically and challenge themselves. It was great that the hosts were able to answer these questions honestly and openly, too.

It was great to hear that the BBC team left our school feeling like it was their

favourite stop on the tour. It's always heartwarming to hear the positive impact events like these make on our visitors and students alike.

Keep on being curious and inspired, and remember that there are many exciting career paths out there waiting for you!

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SCHOOLS OF SANCTUARY

Last academic year we achieved *School* of *Sanctuary* status and as a school we held a non-school uniform day to fundraise for the charity.

Miss Clemo said "We wanted to raise money and to show our support for the vital work and for the message of welcome and neighbourliness that the organisation works tirelessly and bravely to highlight within our society."

See below a message of thanks from Schools of Sanctuary.

THANK YOU!

Dear Gemma Ceveryone at Blue Coat School,

I just wanted to rend a quick note to say how grateful we are for your incredibily generous demation. All of it will go towards supporting our work to build cultures of wilcomed belonging in schools across the UK - hopefully more schools will soon be like Blue Coat!

My sincere thanks, Megan.

FOLLOW US!





Why not join our 1160 'X' followers who are the first in the world to hear our news?!

To follow us on X, formerly known as Twitter, search for <u>@BlueCoatCE</u>. We update X most days, in fact sometimes we update it several times a day! Why not take a look?!

We hope you like what you see!

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JEANS FOR GENES

Our Science Department staff raised money for the Jeans for Genes charity, through a bake sale and wearing denim. Miss Dhillon said "A big thank you to staff who baked for Jeans for Genes and to those who wore denim.



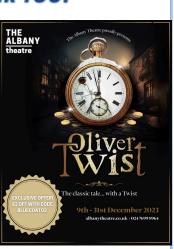
The winning cake was baked by Mrs Treadwell, one of our Science Technicians."

Between the bake sale and contributions from staff and students towards the charity we managed to raise £118.93.



THANK YOU!

The Albany Theatre have recently supported a Geography Field trip event and as part of that they have given Blue Coat families some money off if they buy tickets to their upcoming performance of Oliver Twist. Trip organiser, Mr Sanders said "We would like to say thank you



to our friends at the Albany Theatre for their ongoing support." Blue Coat staff, students and their families can use the code BLUECOAT02 when booking tickets and they will receive a £2 discount.

PAWSITIVELY WONDERFUL: PIPPA SPREADS JOY WITH **SCHOOL VISITS!**

In the heart of our bustling school community, amidst the laughter and learning, there is a furry friend who has become an

indispensable part of our lives - Pippa, our delightful school dog. With her wagging tail and affectionate nature, Pippa has not only captured our hearts but has also woven her way into every aspect of school life here at Blue Coat School.

From the moment Pippa first padded her way into our school, she brought with her a sense of warmth and comfort. As she explored the school, wagging her tail in excitement, students and staff alike couldn't help but smile at her infectious enthusiasm. Her gentle presence has a calming effect, especially during exam times and busy school days, reminding us of the simple joys that come from having a furry companion by our side.

Pippa has become a familiar face in classrooms, attending lessons and participating in activities. Whether it's a science experiment, a reading session, or an art class, Pippa's curiosity knows no bounds. Her enthusiasm encourages students to engage actively, making the learning experience all the more enjoyable.

One of Pippa's favourite spots in the school is our library, where the love for books and the joy of reading come together. Nestled among the shelves, she listens attentively as students read aloud, turning the library into a haven of shared stories and wagging tails. Her presence not only promotes a love for reading but also fosters a sense of companionship among our young readers.

Here you can see Pippa enjoying life at Blue Coat. We will bring more news of Pippa's school journey in future editions of the newsletter - and look out for news of her Instagram page!

RELIGION AND MEDIA CONFERENCE

Some of our Sixth Form students, Mrs Hathaway and Miss Clemo recently attended the Creating Connections: Religion and the Media conference at the Cathedral. The conference explored the way religion and world-views are interwoven into the life of Coventry. This was an opportunity for journalists, writers, media professionals, teachers, academics, faith groups, researchers, religious and community leaders to meet, enhancing religious literacy and local understanding.



Sixth Form students Yara, Eniola, Anam, and Grace were interviewed as part of a panel about religion in the news and knife crime. Well done to them!



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UPHOLDING OUR VALUES IN DEFEAT

In a recent basketball game against King Henry VIII School, a combination of Year 10 and Year 11 students as well as those from Post-16 showed the spirit of sportsmanship with impeccable conduct and manners. Our team faced a tough opponent, resulting in a 49-61 loss. However, it was not the defeat that defined us, but the way we upheld our CHRIST values throughout the game.

From the very first whistle, our players demonstrated unwavering care, hard work, respect, servanthood and togetherness. Despite the scoreboard not being in our favour, our team showcased exceptional CHRIST values. Our players exemplified these values, proving that a loss on the scoreboard does not diminish the true essence of sportsmanship.

As they move forward, the team will carry the lessons from this game with them. They acknowledge the areas where they can improve, but they also celebrate the character that our players displayed.

Mr Johal said "I am immensely proud of the team and of the way they conducted themselves throughout the game."



PRAYER MEETING

Our parent and friends Prayer Meeting Returns!

We have a monthly opportunity for parents, carers and friends of Blue Coat to come together on site to pray together. These are

Parents and Friends Prayer Meeting

First Wednesday of the month

6:30pm in Sixth Form Block

encouraging times together of focussed Christian prayer for the needs of the school and local community.

These will be every first Wednesday of the month, 6-6:30pm in Sixth Form block.

All who have a link with the school are welcome and encouraged to come along to pray with us - please contact our Chaplain Lou for further information or a chat.

YEAR 11 FOOTBALL VICTORY

After almost a ten year absence from the competition, Blue Coat's Year 11 school football team recently had their first appearance in the West Midlands County Association Cup, Round 1.

After going a goal down in the opening minutes, the team piled on the pressure, desperate to equalise.

A chance came from Terrel Mringi's darting runs at the opposition's fullback and he crossed the ball over to Carlos Crawford who equalised with an astonishing finish. The first half ended on level at 1-1.

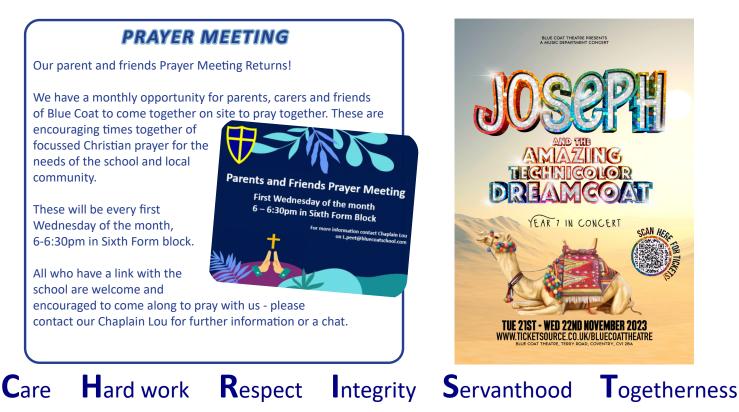
The second half began and that same enthusiasm they started the first half with was replicated in the second half. Substitutions were made the team were starting to think about penalties when the ball was switched over to the left side. Finley then made a darting run towards the

goal in the dying minutes of the second half and took Ullathorne's defenders on. He managed to get himself into the box and into a perfect position to take a shot on goal. Unfortunately, the keeper saved the ball but didn't

do enough to stop Nabil Mwalim scoring from the rebound in the dying minutes of the game giving Blue Coat the goal we desperately needed.

What a display of our values of hard work and togetherness!

Well done to the whole squad and we look forward to hearing all about your next game!



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FRANCISZEK TREL Franciszek, one of our Year 8 students, showcased his enthusiasm and courage at the recent Fire Station Open Day. Engaging with the community, he actively participated in the presentation led by young Fire Cadets. Franciszek's passion for learning and his keen interest in fire safety not only made his mum proud but also highlighted a bright future ahead of him.

- We look forward to hearing more about
- Franciszek's fire service career!

NOAH, HOPE AND JONATHAN

- Three of our Year 7 students regularly help out at
- a special needs group called SPEC at Life Church
- in Bedworth. Noah Tarka, Hope Hodder and
- Jonathan Watson all volunteer at this group to
- help the many children with additional needs
- that attend. Each month, Hope assists with
- the craft activity, often working 1:1 with the
- children. Noah and Jonathan play with the
- children, give out snacks and along with Hope
- help tidy up afterwards. They are a huge asset to SPEC. What a wonderful demonstration of our CHRIST values!
- Well done to all of you!

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

(Philippians 4:13)







ERIKA STEPHENSON

Erika, who joined the school recently, has parents who are really proud of her kindness and generosity towards her brother Hansel, which they say are truly admirable. Erika's mum said "Being a sibling to someone with autism • can be challenging, but Erika has shown great maturity and

understanding in dealing with it. Her empathetic nature and ability to constantly prioritise Hansel's needs and happiness is a testament to her character."



"When Erika was only five years old, she spent every Dirham she had to buy Hansel a Christmas gift at her school charity drive. That act of generosity from such a young age was truly remarkable", said Erika's mum.

"As parents, we are extremely proud of Erika's accomplishments and grateful for the wonderful person she has become. We know she will make a positive impact on the world one day, and we can't wait to see what she achieves." her mum added.

Well done Erika, what a great demonstration of our Care value!

NICOLE AND KYE POWNER

Siblings, Nicole and Kye, attend Timms Dance School, where they train three times a week and show great dedication to their fellow dancers. They do different styles of dance including tap, ballet, modern and acro and they take part in competitions as well as doing dance exams. Their mum says "They show incredible support to each other during lessons and competitions, they encourage and console each other depending on how a dance or day goes for

them." Consisting of solos, duets, trios and troupes, the competitions can spread over three weekends. Their proud mum added "Nicole and Kye's dance team are like an extended family and their support network help them to build up their characters and confidence. They have made many new friends through dance not only from Timms Dance School but others they compete against too." Over the years won many trophies and medals for their dancing. Well done to both of you - keep up the hard work!

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SMEEN SHARMA

- Jasmeen, who is in Year 7, loves to play netball
- outside of school.
- She is a member at Henley Netball Club.
- On Wednesdays
- she takes part in
- training and on
- Sundays she plays
- in matches which
- take place in
- Solihull and
- Birmingham.
- Playing as part of a team • demonstrates our value of
- Togetherness. Well done, Jasmeen! Good luck for the rest of the season!

RIAN DODD

- Despite all of his ongoing
- challenges, Rian is still a thrill-
- seeker and was invited to
- take part in a charity fun day,
- which included helicopter and
- aeroplane flights. Rian jumped
- at the chance to take to the skies •
- and did so more than once! Well

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- done, Rian showing bravery in
- more ways than one!

M^cCARTNEY Year 8 student, James, has played ice-hockey for Coventry Blaze Academy since

JAMES

the age of four, playing his first official game just two days before his 5th birthday.

He is now in the Under-14 team at Coventry Blaze and James and his family travel up and down the motorway for games throughout the season.

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Keep up the hard work, James! Good luck for the season!

HOPE DAVIS

- Year 8 student, Hope, took part in a charity 5k
- obstacle course in October
- with some other members of
- her church. She raised £155
- for Coventry City Mission,
- a Christian charity based
- in Coventry that support
- people in crisis. She
- completed this in just
- 35mins! Well done,
- Hope demonstrating
- Care and

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- Togetherness values
- as well as Hard-Work!

- EKKAM SANDHI Year 10 student, Ekkam, makes
- her family so proud. Ekkam's
- parents say she is an excellent role model for her siblings,
- adding that her mellow nature
- and fun sense of humour
- can keep all entertained
- for hours. Her parents say
- "Ekkam loves drawing, music, travelling and going to the
- cinema. She also likes to
- visit grandparents, spending
- time with family and friends,
- and is always respectful to all. We are showing the values of Care and Respect!
 - very proud parents." This is lovely to hear, Ekkam. Keep
 - TIYANA JOHNSON • Year 7 student, Tiyana, joined

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- us from Clifford Bridge Primary School where she was a • member of the band. Showing • true Blue Coat values of
- Servanthood and Togetherness,
- Tiyana regularly returns to the
- school to support the youngest
- guitarists who have just joined





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BELLA SOWANDE

Bella, who is in Year 8, helps out at home by taking out the bins on a Friday for collection. Bella also helps her parents by ironing her school uniform and getting ready for school. Keep up the good work by helping your parents,

- NOAH TARKA

- Year 7 student, Noah, loves to dance and • recently went to an awards ceremony where • he picked up a bronze award and a medal • for Rock and Roll and Music song. Noah has • been dancing since he was two-years-old and
- performed in many places with his tap, street dance and rock and roll. Well done, Noah - keep

SPENCER JACKSON-BOOT

- Year 9 student, Spencer, plays rugby for the U14s at Broadstreet RFC. Due to his performances on the pitch as scrum-
- half, he has been nominated to attend
- the Midlands Rugby Academy U14
- Developing Player Programme.
- This is a great achievement in itself
- and will now see Spencer play in
- upcoming trial selection matches against other nominated players
- in the region.
- We look forward to hearing all
- about your trial and following





SAACHI SANDHU

Saachi is in Year 9 and her parents says she is "An amazing daughter, sister, granddaughter and friend. Her name 'Saachi' which means 'truth' in Sikh scripture is a true reflection of her personality and values. She is always at hand to help anyone with a big smile, respects all and makes time for family and friends. She loves to explore, travel, spending time with her grandparents and going to cultural functions." This is lovely to hear, Saachi - keep making your

- family proud!
 - ARYAN DESAI
 - Aryan, who is in Year 9,
 - celebrated his 14th
 - Birthday by doing
 - a 5k inflatable
 - obstacle challenge
 - to raise money
 - for Coventry City
 - Mission Charity.
 - His contribution
 - was recognised by
 - HSBC bank as he
 - entered through

 - their project with his mum who works for the Bank.

 - Well done, Aryan demonstrating ^{rue Blue} Coat values!

If you have any stories about any of Blue Coat's fantastic young people living life in all its fullness, please email their story by clicking HERE.

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RIAN'S BELL-RINGING CELEBRATION!

Some members of our school community recently attended an inspiring celebration that filled us with happiness and hope. Rian Dodd, our resilient Year 7 student, bravely battled through nine rounds of chemotherapy, facing every challenge with unwavering courage. As a symbol of his triumph as the ninth round ended, he rang the bell at the hospital's end-of-treatment ceremony, a moment that brought tears of joy to those who witnessed it.

Rian's strength and determination were evident as he stood at the front of the room, surrounded by the support of family members, hospital staff, friends and well-wishers. Rian bravely read out a speech, which he wrote himself. After Rian's speech, the sound of the bell rang loudly, echoing the triumphant spirit of a young boy who had faced adversity and emerged victorious. His infectious smile illuminated the room, reminding us all of the power of resilience and the importance of community.

The occasion was not just a celebration of Rian's personal triumph, but also a testament to the collective strength of the community that supports Rian. Rian's friends from All Saints Primary School who are now in his tutor group at Blue Coat were invited to attend, as well as their parents and Mrs Gates and Mrs Curtis.



kind-hearted person. We can't wait to meet up with him again to have a lot of fun." Alfie Elkins, who joined Blue Coat in September from the same primary school as Rian said "The bell-ringing was a special way to see Rian overcome his treatment journey. We are so glad to see he is getting better and we hope this continues as he's such an amazing person." Another Year 7, Cooper

Burton, who is also a friend from primary school said "*Rian looked so happy at his bell-ringing. I was so proud to be there to celebrate with him. I can't wait for him to come back*

to Scouting and for him to go kayaking with us. Miss you Rian!"

Mrs Gates said "I was so honoured to be invited to Rian's bell-ringing celebration. I have thoroughly enjoyed every minute of his company and getting to know him over the last 6 months and it was lovely to see how popular he is with all the staff, doctors, consultants and support workers at UHCW and Birmingham Children's hospital. Rian gave the most amazing speech - he is one brave boy and we will be with him every step of the way. We've got some great ideas for new projects next term so watch this space!"

Mrs Curtis said "It was a great privilege to have been invited to such a special occasion.

Since getting to know Rian and his family over the last few months, I have realised just how tough this journey has been for them all and, no matter how hard it has been, Rian always has a smile on his face, despite the pain and feeling so poorly. We are all incredibly proud of Rian and the way he faces his daily challenges with such determination. The bell-ringing was very emotional for all who witnessed it."

Whilst Rian has ended a gruelling nine rounds of aggressive chemotherapy, he still must undergo another long period of maintenance chemo and we wish him all the best as he takes the next step on his journey. Everyone at Blue Coat School is thinking of you, Rian, and we pray for your speedy recovery.

The next newsletter will feature a Post-16 fundraising staff v student cricket match which has been organised by our fantastic Sixth Form students to raise money for *Rian's Dream* - a fundraiser set up by Corley Cricket Club to raise money to enable Rian's parents to take him on a dream trip to Super Nintendo World - this is Rian's dream as he is a HUGE Super Mario fan! To donate to the Rian's Dream fundraiser, please click *HERE* or on the photo of Rian (right) - Rian and his family are incredibly grateful to students, parents and staff who have generously donated.

We will also be introducing a new member of the school community - one we have yet to meet but we are very excited about it!













Happy birthday to all of you!



Loveen, Byron, Jenson, Shamoya, Ayesha, Jj, Bhavya, Gabriella, Sean, Kimberly, Ibrahim, Edward, Zana, Sarah, Taggy, Ayomikun, Riley, Tiana, Karan, Lewis, Chibuzor, Zino, Nana-Osei, Shiloh, Fife, Hannah, Vihara, Maria, Eliana, Laila, Jessica, Samuel, Libby, Alessia, Fraser, Desmond, Aarushi, Herbie, Immy, Princewill, Harry, Jawad, Simran, Andrue, Daniel, Mohammed, Victoria, Zainab, Poppy, Dylan, Anna, Simeon, Kinza, Mannat, Layla, Emmanuel, Emily, Neveah, Meshach, Shadrach, Anu, Ire, Aziel, Darryl, Millen, Ivan, Sameer, Lily Rae, Eliane, Ryanjot, Eryn, Anna, Kanav, Riley, Abigail, Faith, Jonathan, Karina, Joyce, Nancy, Trae, Auvni, Nena, Charlie, Saffi, Frank, Miheli, Jeanne, Qoyum, Maria, Kaylie, Imran, Sajana, Filip, Yavin, Chigozie, Ayomide, Keira and Matthew

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