



Newsletter Term 3: Issue 10

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Headteacher's Welcome

Although Term 3 is one of the shortest terms at 5 weeks, it is one of the busiest. We have implemented the new timetable change, reducing the lessons and transitions from four to three. The overwhelming majority of students identified this week in their questionnaires that they preferred the new timetable. Our rejuvenated school council met earlier this week and will make great strides telling us how they'd like their school to look!

Older students have taken their mock GCSEs - preparing them for the room layout and how to conduct themselves in exam conditions. We are all so proud of their efforts and the maturity shown in their positive approach.

All younger students were very respectable, joining in with a variety of wellbeing and social communication activities whilst the exams were held - thank you for your support and mutual respect for others.

Have a wonderful half term, and we'll see everyone back refreshed on Monday 21st February.

Graham Richards

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Farewell Notice

Today we celebrated Billy-Ray's last day at Blue Skies as he moves onto the next stage of his education studying a Practical Horticulture course. He has been at Blue Skies since September 2016 when he started in year 7. He will be missed by both staff and students alike, and we wish him every success for his future.

Sarah Kelly shall also be leaving us at the end of Term 4 (Easter holidays). Sarah has been involved with Blue Skies since March 2019, and we wish her every success for her future.

Diary Dates:

7 - 13 Feb 2022

Children's Mental Health Week

11 February - school closed

21 Feb - Term 4 - students return
back to school

3rd March - World book day (books
donations are welcome)

Birthday Wishes:

25th Feb 2022 - Michaela

3rd March - Maggie

7th March - Ben

15th March - Skye

29th March - Joseph

**Happy Birthday to you all, from all
at Blue Skies School!**

Highlights Reel

Term 3

During term 3, students participated in their cooking lessons and made delicious curry, mini pizzas, red velvet cookies at school and fish & chips, quesadilla, fried crispy chicken wings at college. On Fridays, they visited and played at local Chatham Pool & Snooker club. For their enrichment activity, they attended Lordswood leisure centre to try different sport activities. Some of the students have sat their GCSE English, Maths and Science mock exams. Next terms focus held at Medway campus college is Public Services.

Well done for taking part and for your hard work.



Jak and Charlie at the college



Freshly cooked fried chicken wings and chips.. so tasty..

Dear students

Wishing you and your family a wonderful holiday break and we look forward to seeing you return to school on Monday **21st February 2022**.

In term 4, the Tuesday afternoon curriculum activity will be creative English.

Our Friday afternoon off site activity will be ice-skating!
We hope you will enjoy it.

From The Blue Skies Team

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