

# BANK VIEW HIGH SCHOOL



## Half Term Newsletter



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## Head teacher's Comment

Dear Parent/Carers

We end this half term with the events of Monday night very much on our mind as a school. This week we had an assembly to discuss the tragic events at the MEN and the impact acts of terror can have on our communities. I was so proud of our students for their engagement and they ended the assembly by deciding to fund raise for the disaster fund, by having an own clothes day. The victims and their families continue to be in our thoughts and prayers.

This term most of the 6th form went to Bibby's Farm for their annual residential, some students completed their camping expedition for the Duke of Edinburgh Award. A great time was had by all, see Mr. Davey's report for more details.

This time of year can be a tough time for our year 11s as they revise and sit their exams. I couldn't be more proud of the attitude they have displayed towards their learning. We wish them all the best of luck!

Finally congratulations to Miss. Farrington who won the Curious Minds North West Individual Cultural Leader Award at the end of April for all the fantastic work she does leading on enrichment activities for students in school.

## Sixth Form Updates

Sixth Form have recently returned from a successful residential at Bibby's Farm near Chorley in Lancashire. The trip has allowed students to complete components of the Duke of Edinburgh award and helped to promote independence and life skills. All students successfully completed the components of the award that they attempted.

Well Done!

Sixth form students are busy preparing for functional skills exams in Maths, English and ICT. Some have already sat exams with others, including English, to be taken after half term. Keep up the hard work and remember to revise!



The Sixth Form Enterprise Team are also taking a leading role in this year's Summer Fair and helping to organise the event. As well as this the team are also starting an upcycling / refurbishment project with Mr Lock.

## News from the ARC

### Teen Tamers!

Our Second Parents Training Course is now almost complete - "Teen Tamers", it has been a great success and we now have 10 parents with certificates from YC5. Parents of teenagers find the course really helpful as it looks at what is going on behind the behaviour - both of teens and parents and helps you to make changes to enable everyone to have an easier life!

We are now booking for September (dates on website) so please email: [j.assheton@bankview.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:j.assheton@bankview.liverpool.sch.uk)

To reserve a place - we are changing dates and times so that everyone can have access.

### Mindfulness

We will be starting our Mindfulness sessions here in the ARC again just in time for Exams; we would also like to run sessions for parents so if you have an interest just let us know by email.

### Parents Coffee Morning

Our next parents coffee morning is on Wednesday 7th June in the ARC 10:30am to 12:00pm.



Everyone is welcome and we will be sharing ideas for activities during the Summer Holidays, so if you have any information on activities or trips/locations which cater for children with additional needs please come along and share!!  
Layla & Jan

### Youth connect 5 training

The youth connect 5 training is for parents to understand how to support your child's well-being and emotional development. The sessions will be starting on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 12pm- 2pm for five weeks. All parents are welcome if interested please contact school to get a place.

### Kinship carers

Kinship carers is a charity set up to support kinship families who have taken the responsibility of raising their grandchildren nephews/nieces etc, providing advice, support and guidance to carers. If you are interested please contact: Kinship carers,  
Ellergreen community centre  
0151 270 2108  
[eve@kinshipcarersliverpool.co.uk](mailto:eve@kinshipcarersliverpool.co.uk)  
The school will provide more information about kinship at the coffee morning in the autumn term.



## Supported Internships

We are very proud to announce that we have appointed our job coaches for our supported internship programme from Sept 2017. We would like to congratulate Kevin Murphy, Maria Hughes and Paul Rodrigues on their new job role.

Our school has been chosen by the LA to take part in a pilot programme to introduce supported internships to Liverpool. We will be working alongside the Hilton hotel in Liverpool to help our young people to progress into paid employment. The programme is for one academic year; interns have a place of employment and are supported by our job coaches.



## Art news

I am delighted to announce that Ciaran Sibbald in 9A came 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Liverpool dot art competition for our school. Ciaran's work will be shown in St. George's hall in June alongside other winners of Liverpool schools, where an overall winner from the city will be announced. This is an incredible achievement.

Well done Ciaran!

## Yr11 GCSE exams

Year 11 have now completed their Art exam and I would like to say how impressed I have been with both classes at how they have prepared for it. The work they produced during the 10 hour exam was excellent.

Here are a few of the beautiful pieces produced by year 11's.

Well done to everyone!



## School football team

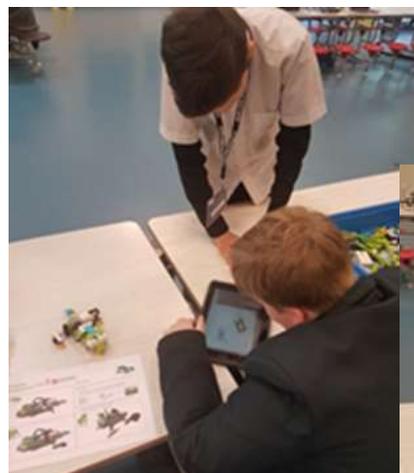
Congratulations to our school football team that have won the MLD trophy.



## Maths Party

We are having a 'Maths' Party! We are taking part in the Liverpool Schools Maths' Party on Friday, 17th June 2017 and celebrating our achievements related to the 'Liverpool Counts Numeracy for Life Quality Mark'. We shall be having fun tackling Maths challenges, playing games and solving maths puzzles.

Check out our website for more information about the Liverpool Reading Quality Mark and the Liverpool Counts Quality Mark - our work includes promoting a love of reading and an understanding of how we use Maths in everyday activities don't forget to refer to our school website for news and information.



## Bank View Lego Trip

Recently some selected students were chosen to take part in a LEGO Education Learning Festival hosted at Barlow's Primary School. This event offered our students the opportunity to take part in a range of activities linked to different areas of the curriculum including Computing, Engineering, Math's, Literacy and Science. During the History session pupils had to build a Roman catapult by following instructions and fire a Lego brick across the room. Pupils then observed through Lego how a tadpole transfers to a frog through the metamorphosis process by building the different parts of the anatomy. We then travelled to Mars to program the Mars Exploration Rover (MER) to collect alien plant life and return it to the base camp. Finally we had to build a wind turbine from Lego and write our own instructions to how it was made. It was a fun day and the pupils loved every minute of it.

## Horticulture

The allotment is now fully planted up and the crops are growing strongly. The polytunnel has allowed us to work when the weather has been poor and has seen the crops ready to plant out very early. Pupils have been learning to sow seed trays, prick out and pot on. We have planted the potatoes and sweet potatoes, sowed rows of root crops and planted the brassicas and lettuce.



At school we are turning over the beds to improve

the soil ready for planting in the autumn. The Woodland Trust has agreed to provide 200 young native trees and we will plant those in the autumn. The pansies and ornamental daisies are providing a splash of colour in the deep beds.

It has been suggested we run a mini enterprise



from the allotment, so for next spring we plan to sow vegetable and border plants for sale. Please let me know if you think this is a good idea so we will know how much to grow.

Good gardening.



Thank you Mr John Pearce  
Lots of exciting things happened during diversity week in school. The pupils took part in many different activities and trips. Pupils attended sessions delivered by Gay youth are out (GYRO), bully busters, graffiti artists and Indian dancers. Pupils also had the opportunity to take part in wheel chair sports. Staff delivered sessions on local history, diversity, foreign cookery sessions, Irish studies and even got to taste some Irish delicacies courtesy of Miss Jones. Others attended trips to both of Liverpool's magnificent cathedrals, The Pagoda Arts centre in China town, pizza express, the slavery and Liverpool museum. We all learnt new things including the staff and a fun time was had by all. Thanks to all the pupils and staff for their input in making diversity week a success.

## Race for Life 2017



To finish diversity week off, all the pupils took part in Bank Views very own race for life. Some staff ran 5km and some even completed theirs in the wheel chairs. All the pupils put in a lot of effort, they

all should be so proud of what they achieved. As a reward every pupil received a medal and had their medal presented to them. The total amount raised for cancer research was £812.40

Thanks again for all your support Miss Armstrong and all the staff at Bank View

## Year 11 Exam Dates

Please see below for official exam's dates for Yr 11 pupils. Please note not every Yr 11 pupil will take all the exams on the list.

**Mathematics Paper 1: Non-Calculator Foundation Tier 1MA1 1F 25<sup>th</sup> May-17 AM (1h 30m)**

**Mathematics Paper 2: Calculator Foundation Tier 1MA1 2F 8<sup>th</sup> June-17 AM (1h 30m)**

**Mathematics Paper 3: Calculator Foundation Tier 1MA1 3F 13<sup>th</sup> June-17 AM (1h 30m)**

**Science Gateway B Foundation paper 1 24<sup>th</sup> May afternoon (1hr 15)**

**Science Gateway B Foundation paper 2 9<sup>th</sup> June morning (1 hr 30)**

**Home Economics paper 16<sup>th</sup> June afternoon (1 hr 30)**

Students will also be taking Functional skills exams in English, Maths and ICT but these dates will be set by the school.

Attendance is extremely important at this time of year to complete coursework and attend revision classes. Revision classes have been offered to students for science and maths.

Year 11 students are allowed to leave on the 30<sup>th</sup> June, more information will be sent home regarding this early finish.

H Cain

**SAY *Yes* to the PROM**

Year 11 Leavers Prom will take place on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June after the exams. We will be doing various fundraising to make it even better than last years. We are currently choosing this year's theme. Cbeebies, Grease, Rave, are a few of the ideas so far.

## Hello from the @model!

This half-term we have been doing lots of work on our laptops. We have been learning how to copy and paste our favourite pictures and write descriptions of pictures on a word document. This was very difficult for us to start with but we have become very good at it and now want to do it all the time!

We have also been learning our shapes this term, playing with shapes and learning about the different sides and how they can



fit together. We have loved playing with the shapes and photographing the different shapes in our classroom on our iPads.

### Bank View and Soft drinks

You may have seen in the papers the amount of hidden sugar in soft drinks. Could you please make sure your child only brings plain water in to school, this is important for packed lunches. Some of the sugar in popular drinks is:

- Lucozade 15.5 sugar cubes
- Capri Sun 8.25 sugar cubes
- Ribena small carton 7.25 sugar cubes
- Volvic flavoured water 5.75 sugar cubes.



### BVHS Suntan Lotion and After Sun Policy

Any parent/carer NOT wanting school to apply sun cream or after sun lotion on their child, please can you inform the school as soon as possible.



Thank you

## Pupil Absence

All parents/guardians must contact the school office in the morning if your child will be off ill. Without a telephone call your child will be marked unauthorised.

Escorts are not responsible for passing on messages that your child is ill.

## Medical Appointments

Any child attending a medical appointment, please bring in your medical card/letter so we can authorise your absence. Without proof, your absence will be marked unauthorised.



Please ensure your child comes into school before or after their appointment.

Thank you Anne Marsh EWO

## Attendance & Punctuality

Attendance and punctuality are essential for children to make progress. As a school we encourage children to be in school as often as they can. I have issued all pupils with a challenge to achieve 100% attendance each term and if they do this they will receive a reward. The government have now issued new guide lines that means that pupils who have

90% attendance or less are classed as 'persistent absentees' and further action will be taken by the school with the support of the education welfare officer.

Thank you

## School Dinners



If your child wishes to change from school dinner to packed lunch or packed lunch to school dinner. Please call the school office first on 0151 233 6120 to prevent unsolicited dinner charges.

If you child is a PAID hot dinner the cost of the dinner is £9 per week. Please make sure your child's account is kept in credit and payments are up to date.

## After School Club

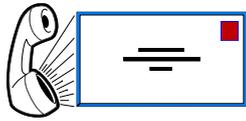
After school club runs from 3:15pm - 4:30pm on Mondays Wednesdays and Thursday's.

Please note that if your child is on the list to go to our after school clubs and you wish for your child NOT to attend club on that day, please contact the school office to let them know. On 0151 233 6120 or email: [bankview-ao@bankview.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:bankview-ao@bankview.liverpool.sch.uk)

Thank you

## Pupil Information

We would like to remind all parents of the importance of providing the school with any change of address or phone numbers, please let the school office know immediately. There have been a number of incidents when it has not been possible to contact a parent



New Mobile No: .....

New Address: .....

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Postcode.....

Parent/Carer Name:

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Pupil Name:

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New Home No:

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Please fill in the above if any changes and send into school as soon as possible. Or email your details to [bankview-ao@bankview.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:bankview-ao@bankview.liverpool.sch.uk)

Thank you

# BANK VIEW HIGH SCHOOL 2016-2017 SCHOOL CALANDER

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School Closed/Holidays
  In-Set Day no school for students