



BRS Newsletter

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June 2022

Headteacher's Introduction



It seems hard to believe that we are approaching the final weeks of the academic year!

Last week saw the Year 11

Prom with students (and staff) having the opportunity to come together and celebrate all that they have achieved during their time at Robert Sutton.

On Friday evening I had the privilege of watching Year 11 students arrive for their prom and it was really heartening to see both how happy they seemed and how proud all the family members in attendance were. After the difficulties of recent years this was especially pleasing. We look forward to supporting students in the summer when results arrive and working with families to make sure that next step transitions are successful for all young people in Year 11.

Last week we also welcomed our new Year 6 families to the Transition Evening, this was followed by two full days in school. A reminder that all of our transition details can be accessed from our website - [Y6 Transition - Blessed Robert Sutton Catholic Voluntary Academy - Burton upon Trent \(srscmat.co.uk\)](https://www.robertsutton.srscmat.co.uk/y6-transition).

Over the course of the next few weeks we have our Year 10 Geography trip to Hartington as well as Reward Trips to Alton Towers and Drayton Manor.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you need financial support for your child to attend their Enrichment Week trip. All requests will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Upcoming Events

01.07.22	Year 11 Prom
06&07.07.22	Y10 Geography Field Trips
07.07.22	Art Exhibition , 4-6.30pm
07.07.22	Parents Forum, 6pm-7pm
07&08.07.22	School Production, 6.45 pm
15.07.22	Sports Day
21.07.22	End of Term—Summer Holiday

Parental Support

We know there are times when financial hardship can be a worry and anxiety for parents. As a school, we want to support you as much as we can.

On our website we have a dedicated Parental Support section with links and information to the following:

- Free School Meals application and information
- Educational Support Fund Policy
- Information about local food banks

This link will take you straight to the page:

<https://www.robertsutton.srscmat.co.uk/parents/parental-support/>

If you would like to discuss your worries or concerns with a member of staff who will be able to point you in the right direction, please contact Laura Wilson (Assistant Headteacher) in confidence at: lwilson@brs.srscmat.co.uk



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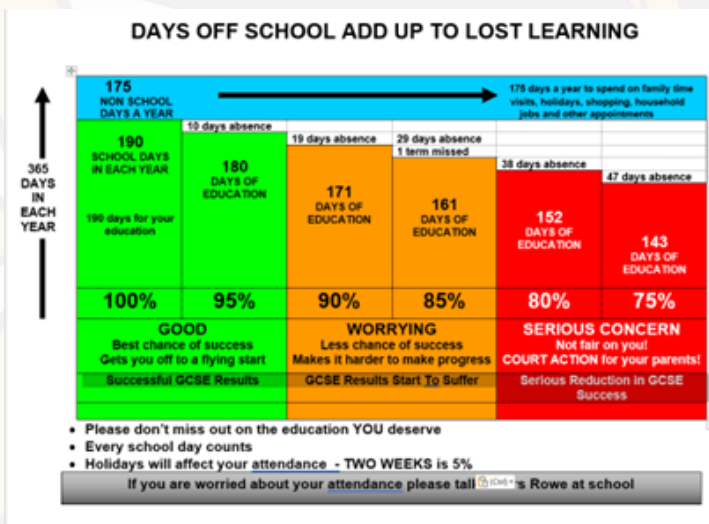
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Attendance – Mrs Rowe

I am so pleased to see so many of you in school this academic term – thank you to all the parents/carers for supporting this despite the roadworks! Whilst we know the covid pandemic affected all of us in some way, students are mostly back in school and achieving as they should be. We have increased the school's focus on the benefits of excellent attendance and more rewards are due to be issued at the end of this term. Good punctuality is also key and monitored so that we can help our young people to maintain good habits for their futures.

Messages from our Year Leaders



Message from Head of Year 7

It has been another busy term for Year 7. They have been involved in a lot of school activities and have also been getting ready to greet our new Year 7's completing transition this week. They have been writing letters to the primary schools sharing their experiences of life at Robert Sutton, plus they have participated in some early transition work. The term ahead is even busier for them! Year 7 will be having a lot of firsts: first residential trip to Mount Cook; first sports day at Shobnall and first reward trip to Drayton Manor.



They have been an absolute credit to themselves, their family and the school. We look forward to a successful completion of Year 7.

Message from Head of Year 8



Derbyshire County Netball U13

Congratulations to Harriet W who has represented Derbyshire this season and was awarded the most effective defender in the awards ceremony last week.

Derbyshire Cricket U13

Grace W has been selected and represented Derbyshire in a number of County matches this season. In one match she got 8 wickets!

Congratulations Grace!

Further Maths

Well done to Evangelene P who completed her Further Maths course which had some elements on A Level Maths in it. We look forward to your results in the summer.

Message from Head of Year 9

Not long left now Year 9. We are nearly at the end of the first full school year since Covid. I know you are all tired and ready for a break. I know I am!



As the term begins to come to an end, we have lots to look forward too: The Alton Towers rewards trip, Sports Day and the Achievement Assembly. All of these things give us the chance to celebrate how amazing you have been over the past year and how far we have come as a year group.

As ever, I am immensely honoured to be your Year Leader and to teach and support all of you through your time at school. Not long to go. Keep going. Keep making yourselves proud.



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Continued from Year 9 ...

Student shout outs for this term: Daisy C for always keeping a smile on her face no matter what comes her way. James R for always being kind and caring towards other members of Year 9. All of the Sports and Young Ambassadors for the amazing activities you have been taking part in, in the last few weeks.



Message from Head of Year 10

Over the past few weeks Year 10 have been working hard and focusing on their mock exams taking the exam procedures into their stride. As we bid farewell to our current Year 11 students, Year 10 now need to prepare for their final and most important year where students will continue to get ready for their GCSE exams. As Year 10 enter the last few weeks of their penultimate year, they should be continuing to meet our high expectations in regard to uniform, behaviour and attendance all the way through until the end of the year.

There are a number of Year 10 students who have represented the school in The School Games Toughest Challenge on Monday 27th June, these students were an absolute credit to the school.

As we celebrate the continued success of our students we have a number of things to look forward for the remainder of this half term, which include sports day and the rewards trip to Alton Towers.

Message from Head of Year 11

Well, it's been a journey. I am so proud of everything that you have achieved. Remember that my door is always open if you need a chat and a cup of tea.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the Prom on Friday—here's to the class of 2022!



School Production

A massive well done to all the students involved in **Mirth and Melody** - the school production. It can be hard for adults to get up and speak sometimes, never mind students half their age. This production is a fantastic variety of comedy and musical hits performed by our very talented Robert Sutton students. These include, Shrek, Black Adder, Mamma Mia, The Little Mermaid, Friday Night Dinner, Kevin the teenager, Lauren Cooper the difficult school girl and Mamma Mia. Tickets £2.00 for children, concessions and OAPs £5.00 for adults.

The show will take place on 7th and 8th July. This year we have a really big cast that spans all the year groups, including Year 11 who will be coming back. Our talented cast are: Sienna C, Ashton Z, Toby P, Oskar O, Filip M, Sonnie M, Toby B, Max W, Alfie S, Oliver D, Ellie Y, Oliwia M, Kinga L, Rezija G, Jodie F, Jakub M, Sophie R, Ellie T, Esme S, Jozef W, Robert G, Harley S, Alex K, Kyle T, Erinn R, Oliwia C, Lucy M, Ruby C, Jak F, Sam M, Harry W, Adam D, George E, Sonny W, Kacey H, Chloe L, Jake B, Elizabeth S, Keira B, and Alexis B.

Many of our students have been surprised at exactly how well they can do. Which just goes to show - you never know until you give something a go!



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From the MFL Department

Gabriella B (Y8) made these Spanish Easter treats at home. Well done!!



From the PE Department

On Monday 9th May, 15 students went to watch a super league match at Loughborough University. The evening entertainment was between Loughborough Lightning and Team Bath, both aiming to get in the play-off finals. The girls had a lovely evening and were excellent ambassadors for the school.



The first ever Sir Ralph Sherwin Swimming Gala took place on Monday 9th May at Ashbourne. The students were an absolute credit to the school with some fantastic swims.

Most impressive on the day were the students who had never taken part in a Swimming Gala and despite lots of nerves, conquered their fears. As a department we couldn't have been prouder. Congratulations.



Congratulations to Harriet W in Year 8 who took part in a Leeds Rhinos Netball Tournament. An excellent display of Netball skills was shown, and she was voted Players Player.

On Tuesday 24th May we took the Athletics team to Shobnall Leisure Complex to take part in the East Staffs Athletics meet. It was great to see lots of new faces representing the school. They all did exceptionally well and special mention to Blayn, Haydn and the Year 9 Relay team winning their events



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We took two groups of students to the Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent games on 24th June.

The first group were our Young Ambassadors who have been attending weekly sessions since September to support their leadership skills.



They did an



unbelievable job of warming up over 1000 students. Then supported students throughout the day with officiating and coaching.

The second group of students experienced four different workshops with the aim of developing confidence in sport. They were an absolute credit to the school with their 'can-do' attitude. A great day out with lots of new challenges and experiences and some very proud teachers. They were an absolute credit to the school showing in abundance our school values of teamwork, respect, perseverance and resilience.

On 28th June a group of Year 10 students took part in the Toughest Challenge 2022 organised by Becky Furniss in the School Sports Partnership.

It was a fantastic day where they had the opportunity to build fires, rock climb, build rafts and orienteer.

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Toughest Challenge 2022



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From the Maths Department

Earlier this year students across all year groups participated in the Eedi Spring League by doing independent Maths work on the Eedi website. They won £140 worth of Amazon vouchers for the Maths department. Well done to all the students who took part but especially to Kenzo in Year 9. He has continued to work independently on Eedi. His hard work has been rewarded as he has recently won an iPad from one of the Eedi prize draws. 20 students in Year 7 and 8 were selected to participate in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge. For the April Maths challenge, the students were set some practice tests on Dr Frost. The top 3 scores in the practice tests were from Josh O, Sophie W and Oliver W in Year 7.

The results of the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge were as follows:

Year 7 - Bronze award

- Amelia H
- James E
- Josh T
- Kamila K

Year 8 - Bronze award

- Harry W
- Harriet W
- Arlo T
- Sam B
- Chloe L

Year 7 - Silver award

- Sophie W
- Sam M
- Arlen H

Year 8 - Silver award

- Ashton Z-A
- Adam D

Year 7 - Gold award

- Oliver W

For those who score highly on from the UKMT Junior Maths challenge, there are 2 follow-on rounds that students can be invited to compete in. 10,000 students are invited to compete in the Junior Kangaroo challenge and only the top 1,200 are invited to participate in the Junior Mathematical Olympiad. We are incredibly proud that Oliver W in Year 7 was invited to compete in the Olympiad earlier this month. It is an incredible achievement. Well done for all your hard work Oliver!

The deadline for the June Maths challenge is 24th July. The challenge is for students to participate in the Eedi Summer League Part 2. Students should send screenshots of their position on the leaderboard to Miss Jones on ejones@brs.srscmat.co.uk. More details can be found on the Maths department page on Firefly, or students can ask Miss Jones in A202 during a lunchtime.

The May Maths challenge was to get on the Dr Frost Times tables leader board. Congratulations to all the students who made it onto the leader board.

#1 Jude B 39 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#2 Maritta B 38 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#3 Alana A 37 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#4 Tamas E 33 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#5 Cameron B 32 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#6 Daniel S 30 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#7 Klaudia D 30 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#8 Xavier L 28 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#9 Anna J 28 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#10 Martyna K 27 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#11 Evangelene P 27 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#12 Jens J 26 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#13 Elliot H 25 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#14 Sophie B 25 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#15 Ollie I 24 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#16 Dominik K 24 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#17 Sophie W 23 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#18 Matthew S 23 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#19 Maciej M 22 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#20 Jakub G 21 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#21 Jack D 21 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#22 Harry W 20 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
#23 Szymon S 20 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY	#24 Oliver W 20 correct - BLESSED ROBERT SUTTON CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY



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On 20th May we welcomed four visitors to the school from Ethiopia. Ann and Frank Rispin, who have founded 4 International Schools across the country, were accompanied by Ato Geremew, the General Manager of the British International School in Addis Ababa and Dr Tedros, formerly of the Ethiopian Ministry of Education.



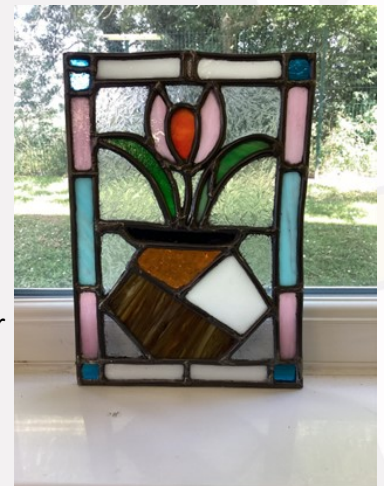
They were on a fact-finding mission and wanted to see what a typical Secondary School in the UK was like. They were incredibly impressed with the school, the quality of resources that they saw, the standard of teacher training in the UK and the high quality of the professional practices employed by the school. Of course, it is a different world in Africa, particularly in Ethiopia where a vicious civil war is still being fought between the Government and the ethnic Tigrayan

people in the north of the country and where the ever-present issue of food insecurity is once again becoming a serious threat.

The visit was arranged by Mr Turner, our Geography teacher, who taught in Asia, the Middle East, and in Ethiopia for 3 years, before returning to the UK with his family.

From the Art Department

The students have been working with stained glass and metal sheets to create some beautiful work. Stained glass panel by Maddison in Year 7.



Tiffany style stained glass frame (work in progress) by Posie-Moon and Erin in Year 9

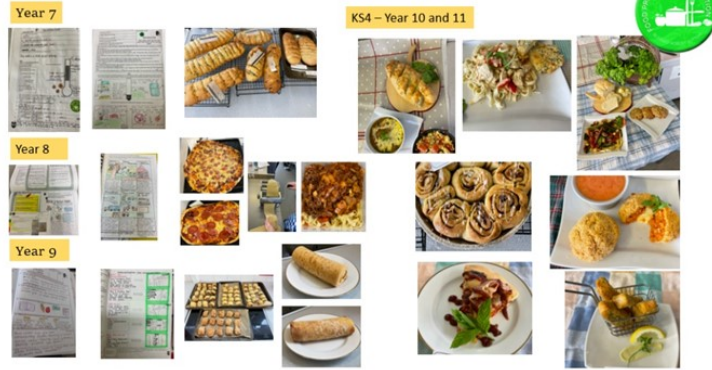


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From the DT Department

Food and Nutrition



Students have produced some amazing work in the Design and Technology department showing creativity and skill.

Students have demonstrated a fantastic range of skills from designing and making to working independently and effectively as part of a team.

A huge well done to all our students from all the staff in the DT department!

Celebrating Excellent Homework – Drama

Arlen (Year 7)

In the clip, the Sergeant Major was rallying up his troops and giving them confidence as they sang leading into battle. They passed fellow evacuees along the way and Sergeant Major had a sudden flood of doubt as he saw all of the evacuating men. As Sergeant led his men into the trenches, one of his soldiers threw up as he wasn't so confident as everyone else. Sergeant's men charged towards the German trenches. Many men had fallen before they raided the trenches but, ultimately, they had the winning hand and they stormed the German trenches, killing everyone in their path. People had been left on the battlefield as they had been shell-shocked but some people managed to carry remaining soldiers into their trenches.

The music adds tension and sorrow to the scene as it highlights the scariness and bravery soldiers had to endure during WW1. Also, it tries to emphasise the importance of the battles in WW1 had on history and today's knowledge and technology as people put their lives on the line to change the future of History for the greater good.

The facial expressions of the soldiers show waves of bravery as they leave the army camp and then the tension of realising the importance and death enhancing battle they are about to endure. As one young and worried soldier throws up before the battle he is comforted by the warm reassurance of his Sergeant Major. Then the desperation to live as they charged into the battle and the shell-shocked soldiers who are confused and in a state of traumatisation in the middle of the battlefield.



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