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Important Dates for Your Diary

- 4 July-Pupils BBQ Lunch
- 10 July-Y6 Bikeability
- 11 July-Community Lunch
- 11 July-Y6 Bikeability
- 12 July-Y5 Tatton Park Presentation Evening 7pm
- 14 July-Y8 Prom 7pm
Y5 Tatton Park
- 18 July-Fun Sports Day
- 19 July-Reports home to parents
1.30-2pm Y8 Leavers Assembly
2.30-3.30pm Celebration Afternoon
- 21 July-Y7 & Y8 Alton Towers
Y6 Crocky Trail
Y5 Reward Day

JUPITER- OUT OF THIS WORLD!

There have been many momentous occasions in history such as the moon landing in 1969, England winning the World Cup in 1966 and Britain seeing the first female Prime Minister in 1979, but none of these can possibly compare to the events of yesterday – 27th June 2017, a date that will be forever etched in the history of Biddulph sports.



In a triumph unmatched in recent times, Jupiter house found themselves victorious at the annual James Bateman Junior High School Sports Day. For as long as events have been documented, Jupiter has maintained the status as underdog – triers, but nevertheless failing to achieve the dizzy heights so often experienced by the other three houses.

Quite frankly, Jupiter dominated from the off. With a new found determination, an as yet un-tapped wealth of skills and expertise and an insatiable hunger for victory, it was inevitable that we would be champions; the opposition were simply annihilated!

This is clearly a sign of things to come; this underdog has finally bitten back!

Mrs Baggaley & Mrs Finch

A big thankyou to everyone involved in 2017 Sport's Day. The pupils were fantastic, the organisation spot on and the support shown by our parents and carers was wonderful.

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YOUNG PHYSICIST OF THE YEAR

A few weeks ago Declan Dunn was nominated by Mrs Baggaley for the Keele University 'Young Physicist of the Year Award'. Declan was nominated for his passion in the subject. He is a keen engineer who often builds and rebuilds objects. In recent weeks Declan engineered a working model boat with a propeller, a beat box system from an old computer and has rebuilt a scrap bike. On Friday lunch times Declan can often be found in the shed, fixing bikes, repairing punctures or mending a broken chain.



We were delighted when the nomination was short-listed and Declan, his family and school representatives were invited to Keele University Sustainability Hub - a state of the art 'green' building which has been developed by some of the most talented physicists in the country. The evening involved a lecture by a Keele University Physicist, which included some experiments; an awards ceremony, a challenge and a hot buffet meal.

Mrs Baggaley, myself and Declan's family were delighted when Declan was one of only 22 students awarded a prize - approximately 250 pupils had been nominated from across Staffordshire and Cheshire. Declan also received a prize for his design in the challenge as well as a special prize for contributing some excellent answers during the lecture.

Declan should be extremely proud of himself - I know we are! Well done Declan and good luck with your next project!

Mrs Price

RE held a Gifted and Talented trip on the 9th June 2017 to Lichfield Cathedral. The children explored religion and the Cathedral through activities including: a tour of the cathedral and its history, art activities and exhibitions, meditation, as well as a tower and roof tour. Many of the children enjoyed climbing to the highest points of the cathedral, even stepping outside to take a look at the architecture up close. As always, the pupils showed wonderful behaviour and enthusiasm throughout the day. We were even lucky enough to look at the Turner art exhibition, allowing the children to see the change in the Cathedral over time through the art displayed.

Miss Cox



JAMES BATEMAN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

I INVITE YOU TO A
SUMMER COMMUNITY LUNCH
TUESDAY 11TH JULY

12.15pm

Cost £3.50

Chicken and Vegetable Pie

Served with Seasonal Potatoes and Vegetables
Vegetable Enchiladas

(mixed vegetables bound in a tomato and chilli
sauce wrapped in a wholemeal tortilla topped with
a cheese sauce) served with a Mixed Salad

Key Lime Pie served with a Strawberry Coulis
or

Iced Chocolate Sponge served with a Vanilla
Custard

Tea, Coffee or a Squash

PLEASE BOOK IN
ADVANCE ON
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GOBLIN CART RACING EVENT

On Wednesday 21st June, following on from the successful Rollercoaster event earlier this year (which we will be repeating in the Autumn term for any interested pupils), a group of 14 aspiring engineers from Y5 to Y7 visited the above event. The learning intention was to introduce the pupils to our new challenge. Pupils experienced the racing environment of Goblin Greenpower cars. As a school we have purchased one of these cars and will be building the chassis and assembling the electric belt drive, designing and building the bodywork to cover the chassis and actually racing the car at similar events. On returning to school the pupils were asked what they thought of the day, what they had learned from seeing an actual race event, what ideas they now have to build and design our own car, and what they see their part as being involved in the challenge. Below are a selection of their feedback.

"I really enjoyed the day and want to be involved in building and racing the car." Declan Dunn.

"Having watched the racing today I think our car needs to be streamlined and should use a power to weight ratio." Oliver Livsey.

"I think visiting the race event was good because I liked seeing all the groups ideas and materials they used. I was surprised just how fast the cars actually went. I thought we should use lightweight materials with a theme of London's skyline. I would like to build, design and drive the racing car." Bethany Duda.

"I thought the day was exciting. I would use a formula 1 car design, because it would be streamlined and look cool. I would like to be a driver." Connor Leadbetter

"I enjoyed the day because I was inspired. I can't wait to build the car. I really don't mind what part I play as long as I'm involved." Oliver Smith

"I enjoyed the day because there was lots of races going on and lots of different styles of car. I'm really interested and can't wait to get my hands dirty! I think a formula 1 style car design would be great as it is more aerodynamic than other designs." Teigan Taylor

"I want to be involved in making the car. I would like to be the mechanic if anything goes wrong on it and a driver because it looks like fun." Jack Copestake

"I enjoyed watching the races and would like to be involved in design." Kaiden.

"I think we should include the red dragon from the school logo and make it all lightweight. I really enjoyed the day." Jack Hawks.

"I really want to do this as now I have seen some examples it has sparked my interest even more." Caleb

"It was cool watching the cars race around the track. What would I like to be involved in? Well, making the car, decorating the bodywork and driving. Everything really, but not getting involved in the battery as I'm not too good at things like that yet, but I will try my best." Emily Wain

"I really enjoyed the day because I liked looking at the designs and watching the races. I think we should design ours as light as possible. I would love to be involved in designing, decorating and driving the car." Daisy Woodroffe Butcher

"I really enjoyed the races because I saw what other people had designed. It was also interesting to see how it all operates. using neon coloured netting for the bodywork, which is light and colourful, would look amazing on the car. We could also put wheel arches over the wheels and use LEDs on the car. I really don't mind which part I take in this project, but I think I would prefer to design rather than drive." Nicole Homer.

Finally, may we take this opportunity to thank Hollinsheads coaches for their involvement in the day. Their generosity of a free coach for the day enabled our pupils to be involved. Many thanks on behalf of James Bateman Junior High School.

Mr Cliffe



JBH Pupil Barbecue
On
Tuesday 4th July
Hot Dogs & Burgers
Corn on the Cob, Baked New Potatoes & Salad
BBQ, Tomato and Mayonnaise Sauces available

Selection of Ices
£2:15
*(This is the only choice of the day,
vegetarian barbecue options available)*





Staffordshire County Under 10s Cricket

'I started playing cricket 5 years ago and now I play for Knypersley Cricket Club Under 10s, 12s and 13s. I played for two years for the Staffordshire District North side and then I have now been selected to represent Staffordshire County Under 10s Cricket team for the 2017 season, which I am really excited about!'



Jack Muni, 5MH



Kid-Start

Proposed Outline

This course will be tailored to suit the profile of the group, considering their current lifestyle choices, needs and household budget. It will aim to be an enjoyable experience with emphasis on feeling healthier and fitter rather than weighing participants (unless they request it).

Aims

To engage children and their parent or main carer in activities together to explore ways of having a healthier family lifestyle. Encourage routines that promote healthier lifestyle choices and link in with current health guidelines.

Outcomes

- To explore current level of activity and interests
- To set personal goals of how to raise their level of activity
- To plan family physical activities together
- To discover what makes a food healthy or unhealthy
- To plan family snacks and meals on a budget
- To experiment with new foods together
- To investigate how to look after their family's oral health

Methods

Activities may include:

- A trip down memory lane: Adults sharing their childhood memories of favourite foods and dislikes
- Traffic light time: A hunt for food pictures, families deciding together which category to place that food in, explaining their choice then considering how to make some forbidden foods healthier
- Plan a picnic and share a picnic
- Ways of cooking on a budget
- Takeaway vs fake away
- Healthy breakfasts on the run
- Hidden sugars and oral health, how to find a dentist
- Treasure hunt (in school grounds, weather permitting)



Your Staffordshire Card

The 'Your Staffordshire Card' is a card which offers students who are resident in the Staffordshire County Council area discounted travel on most buses. A single journey for 11-15 year olds is just £1.20 and £1.30 for 16-19 year olds, improving access to education, employment and leisure activities. The Your Staffordshire Card can help students to become independent and reduce the reliance on parents/guardians acting as a 'taxi service'.



STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

On the 28th June 2017, the following pupils represented the Moorlands Area at the Staffordshire County Athletics Championships:

- Jody Collinson
- Jack Copestake
- Tyrese Dale
- Amy Lally
- Romarco Mangaroo
- Joe Mansell
- Erin Mason
- Liam Steele



Liam Steele has been chosen to run 300m for Staffordshire at the County Meeting v Shropshire in July.

Did you know?
Slugs have 4 noses!

A new-born kangaroo is small enough to fit inside a teaspoon!

What is a group of giraffes called?

PLEASE NOTE THAT FROM SEPTEMBER 2017 SCHOOL LUNCHES WILL INCREASE TO £2.20 PER LUNCH.



POLITE NOTICE

Please ensure that when dropping pupils off at school that you do not block any of the 3 entrances. There are vehicles constantly in and out of the top and bottom entrances and this is endangering our pupils. Parents are not to enter school grounds in a vehicle at any time during the school day.
Thank you.

