

BASTON HOUSE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

This first half-term of summer has been a very busy time. We had a very thorough inspection by Ofsted and we are pleased that it confirmed what our own evaluation had found. We have much to celebrate and much to do yet. You will have received the summary and know that the full report can be obtained from our website.

Our new Clinical Psychologist, Dr David Mushati has been in to meet the staff and we expect he will start in September.

I'm very pleased to note the fabulous response to the school 'jobs'. Ms Lauren Goodyear had so many applications that she needed to open a waiting list.

It's exams time here at Baston and every other secondary school in the country. Students have been revising hard and staff are giving last minute encouragement. Good luck to all our students!

It was good to meet with parents at the Subject Options evening earlier this week. You have recently had information about "MyMaths", please email your child's tutor if you have any questions. More about 'extended learning' in the next few weeks. You will also get more information about Dojo and its role within our behaviour policy.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **15th May–11th June** GCSE Examinations
- **20th June** Coffee Morning @ **10am –11.30am** (Relationships and Sex Education Yr. 8 parents and above)
- **11th–13th June** Hindleap Warren Residential Trip
- **4th July** Sports Day @ **10.15am**
- **4th July** Therapy Team Coffee Morning **9am–10am** (Sapling, Ash, Birch, Willow and Frampton Class Parents)
- **16th July** Transition programme week (*students move to next year's classes*)
- **19th July** Whole School Achievement Afternoon @ **1pm**
- **20th July** End of Term

MARATHON MAN

Sean Torrance our Year 6 Birch Class Teacher took part in the London Marathon. Sean was running to raise money for a charity that's very close to his heart. Sean said that "those that knew me as a young child it would have seemed impossible that one day I would run this distance."

Sean had a severe form of Asthma as a child and spent a large amount of time in hospital and his bedroom resembled a hospital ward.



However he never let this stop his determination to enjoy sports and the oxygen tank made a handy goal post!

Every year Asthma UK run children's holidays called 'Kick Asthma.' They are run by volunteers and volunteer doctors and nurses. These breaks are vital for children who are too unwell to join in regular activities at school and for many it's the first

time they have been away from home. Sean had a great time at these camps and wanted to raise as much money to ensure many families can have a much needed break.

Sean said, "Despite a very gloomy prognosis as a child I was one of the lucky ones who received great medical care, My health improved and I want to give something back. In 2015, 1468 people died from asthma." You can still donate to Sean's Just Giving Page. www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sean-torrance

THERAPY TEAM

We have enjoyed working with many of your children this term. Do feel free to contact us anytime if you have specific questions about the therapy provision your child is receiving.

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Date for your diary:

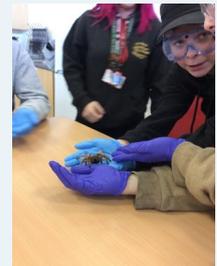
Wednesday July 4th (9.00 -10.00 with refreshments from 8.45 a.m.): The parents of pupils in **Sapling, Ash, Willow, Birch and Frampton** are invited to an information session on the '**Zones of Regulation.**' Resources will be provided for you to implement this approach at home over the summer holidays. We look forward to seeing you then. Please note Sports Day will begin after the meeting.

NEWS FROM 6TH FORM

We are pleased to announce that two of our 6th Form students, Harry Pettitt and Brandon Kennedy have been accepted onto their second year at Capel Manor College. Harry will be embarking upon an Animal Care Level 2 course featuring animal biology, He will be primarily based on the farm, in the

classroom and laboratory. Brandon will be doing an alternate Level 2 Animal Care course which is more tuned towards work experience on farms and being hands on with the animals.

They have both done so well and we know they will continue to make us proud, well done .!



FOCUS ON ASH CLASS

What an eventful term in ASH Class, where to even begin? We welcomed a new student into our class, learnt how to do some funky swim moves and became poetry professionals!



We had a great time swimming this term! Jonathan, Callum and Isaac improved their front crawl and back stroke combining legs and arms! Whilst Joshua put his head fully under the water and Chloe swam all by herself.!



Firstly, let's give a big, warm welcome to our new friend, Isaac! He joined our class and made school even more fun bringing his love of basketball and great sense of humour to our class!



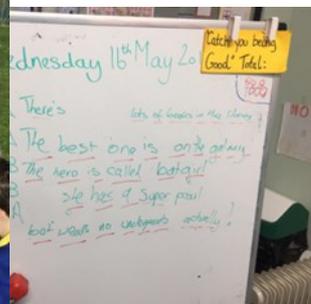
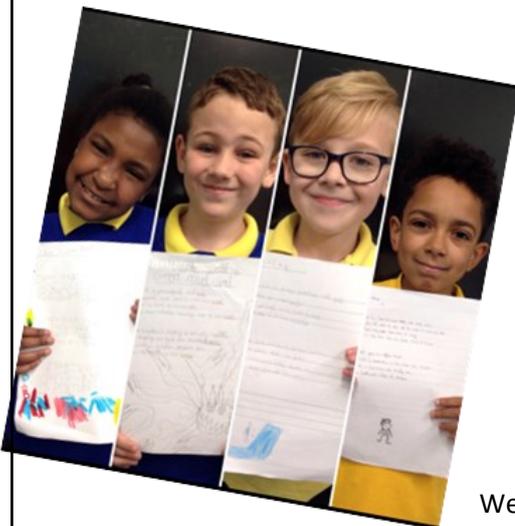
FRIENDS



Oh and finally we did some fantastic poetry this term! From rhyming to syllables, we conquered it all!



Not to mention the car rides there and back were super fun, although we think that Ms. Charlotte's music could use some more classic rock!



We all worked together to not only write some rhyming poems, but also Limericks and Haiku! Ash Class were poets and they didn't even know it!

