



**BASSINGBOURN**  
VILLAGE COLLEGE



Weekly Mailing 19.05.23

This week our students have been demonstrating all of our three R's - respect, resilience and responsibility. Our Year 11s have been working very hard with their GCSEs, showing responsibility to themselves and their futures, as well as resilience during the process. For the rest of our students, they have been showing their respect to our Year 11s by supporting and following our expectations of movement around the site to ensure our Year 11s have quiet exam conditions during this time.

To remind parents that as well as exams, we have a number of workshops running. Therefore, we do expect our Year 11s in every day. If your child has an appointment and is being collected early, please can we ask you contact Reception to alert the office. We do still have to ensure we are following our attendance policy and we appreciate your support in this matter.

As we look to next week, our Year 10s will be taking part in a rounders tournament on Tuesday and our Year 7 semi-finalists will be taking part in the next round of our Spelling Bee. Finally to remind you, the last day of half-term is next Friday, 26th May with students coming back to school on Monday 5th June.

## Year 7 Football - District Cup Semi-Final

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On a sunny Monday afternoon, the penultimate leg of the journey began- the semi final of the District Cup football. Both teams looked nervous- the enormity of a final weighing heavily on young shoulders. The first 5 minutes was a bit hectic- the ball flying around through rushed passes and scrambled kicks. Gradually the teams settled, a quick one two from Netherhall, but a shot wide and a half chance through the middle for James for BVC. The pitch was hard, and all the players were finding it difficult to cope with the bounce of the ball- this made open play difficult and there were a few changes in possession, not allowing either team to get a structure to their play. Netherhall scored first, a hacked corner that bobbed in the box and eventually looped over the keepers head, Jacob had no chance to react. Bassingbourn then had a good few minutes, competing for the ball and getting a foothold in the game. Riley and Ollie impressing with their running and tackling. However, Netherhall again started pressing through a couple of strong midfield challenges and a desire to be first to the loose ball. Good defence from Toby and Charlie L kept the attackers away from the goal. The second goal came from a good cross that was bundled over the line from close range. The half finished 3-0 to Netherhall. Up stepped Coach Beck to deliver a stirring half time Lutonesque 'we are in the game if we compete and play the ball through the channels' team talk. It seemed to work, within 2 minutes of the second half starting a great through ball from Archie and Charlie W popped up on the end to volley into the bottom right corner- game on!. This was how the game continued for the next few minutes, Bassingbourn running the game through the midfield combination of Edward, Felix and Josh dropping deeper. Fin, who went in goal at half time, carried on the good work from Jacob in the first half and made some key saves from the Netherhall star midfielder. Then the moment that changed the game. This midfielder picked up the ball on the halfway line, accelerated towards Bassingbourn goal and rode 3 tackles before calmly rounding the keeper and slotting the ball into the empty goal- well played.

Bassingbourn fought valiantly after this- pressing for a reply to get them back into the game, but some rushed decisions and some good passing from Netherhall prevented this. The team competed until the end, showing a good commitment, especially James up front, who ran tirelessly, but it was not to be enough. 5-1 the final score- here's to next year.

## PE Department



### Year 7 & 9 Athletics

On Wednesday afternoon, the PE department took a selection of Year 7 & Year 9 to an athletics fixture at Sawston Village College. Everyone was fantastic and were a credit to Bassingbourn Village College.

Notable results were:

Ruby who came in 1st in the Javelin

Khadija achieved 1st place in the 200m as well as coming in 1st place for Shot (B)

Rose also came in 1st place for Shot (A)

Ruby, Khadija, Rose, Amber - came in 1st place with the 4x100 Relay

Maia came in 1st place Javelin as well as Discus

Megan came in 2nd place in the 200m

Ruby also broke the Year 9 Javelin school record with her throw of 26.30m!

Well done to all involved!





## Debate Club

Extra-Curricular clubs are an important part of life here at Bassingbourn Village College and we run a broad range of clubs to ensure students have a diverse range to choose from!

Debate club was in full swing on Monday this week. The topic for debate was who was the best superhero and there were some passionate opening statements made. Debate clubs is an important opportunity for students to harness and express a clear point of view while respecting others' opinions - new members are always welcome!



## PFA

On Sunday 28th May the Parents & Friends will be fundraising for the school at [Bassingbourn's Mayhem event](#). Similar to last year, we will be running a chocolate tombola stall which helped us raise a fantastic **£350** in 2022. For this to work, we really need your donations of sweets and chocolates. Please could you leave donations at the school reception anytime between now and Friday 26 May. If you do not have time to shop, or, if you're worried the sweets might not make it from the bus stop to the school 😊 then please donate using our [PayPal](#) link and the PFA will bulk buy the sweets and chocolate on everyone's behalf. Thank you for your support!

Tom Lock, Chair of the PFA



## Foster Care Fortnight

***Thinking about making a change?***

*Have you ever thought about being a Foster Carer to children who can't live with their families? Ever thought to yourself 'I'd love to care for a child' but then wondered how this would fit with your work commitments? Are you held back by thoughts of doubt that you could be a Foster Carer? If so, you could be denying a child or young person the opportunity to have a wonderful home with you.*

*There are children and young people who need a loving home, and you could be just what they need. If you would like more information about becoming a Foster Carer or know someone who could offer a safe, secure and loving home then please get in touch on: 0800 052 0078 or email [fosteringmarketing@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:fosteringmarketing@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) or visit [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/fostering)*

## Communications sent home this week:

- Early Lunches - Year 11
- Year 7 & Year 11 Group Photos
- Year 10 - Sixth Form Taster Days and Open Evenings
- Year 11 Hoodies

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend.

Ms V Poulter

Principal

Respect, Resilience, Responsibility