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New Year's greetings from everyone at Blackfriars. The term has started well, students were well rested after the long break after Christmas (thank you for all those early nights) and many were excited to be back amongst friends.

Bag packing



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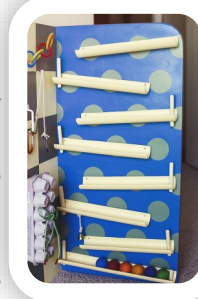


Before then, Miss Blackshaw is developing a series of play zones which will ensure that students have the opportunity to experience different play activities. There will be a physical zone where students have the space to run, kick balls etc. without the fear of injuring our more vulnerable students; there is a quiet zone in a classroom which has space for reading and colouring in, but also a play corner with toys. There is a structured play zone where students can choose for themselves

what

games they would like to play, with the support of the lunch-time supervisors.

We are looking for a / several parent volunteers who can help us to erect some basic equipment in the playground - we want to erect a drain pipe Marble run etc etc. If you are practical and have some spare time, please do ring school -we would be delighted to hear from you.



Safeguarding Contact Information

Staffordshire

First Response :
0800 1313 126
Outside office hours:
0845 6042886

Stoke-on-Trent

Advice and Referral Team:
01782 235100
Outside office hours:
01782 234234

Cheshire East

Referral Team :
0300 123 5012 Option 2
Outside office hours:

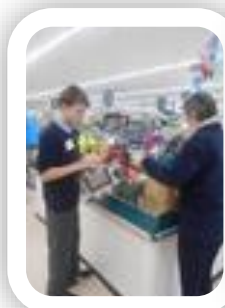
Shropshire

Referral Team:
01743 254 259
Initial Contact Team:
0345 678 9021
Outside office hours:

Adult Safeguarding referral numbers

Staffordshire: First Response -
0845 604 2719
Stoke on Trent: Adult Social Care -
0800 561 0015

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THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

Scholar of the Week:

Brad and **Aaron** for their superb performances as robbers in their Performing Arts lesson

BTEC

The school had their quality assurance visit from BTEC on Tuesday - thanks to the hard work of Ms Evans and Mrs Colby, alongside all the BTEC teachers, we emerged as an outstanding provider.



Parent Forum - Newcastle

Blackfriars Newcastle Parents' Forum dates are:
25th January 2018 @10:00am
15th February 2018
22nd March 2018
26th April 2018
24th May 2018
21st June 2018



All Welcome

Websites

Don't forget Blackfriars Newcastle and Bucknall now have separate websites

Newcastle

www.blackfriarsacademy.org.uk

Bucknall

www.blackfriarsfeacademy.org.uk



For insights into what goes on in and around the Academies, information about courses and events for parents and carers and general events in the community and school closures, connect with us via Twitter and Facebook



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Forthcoming dates for Blackfriars Newcastle

Parent / Carer Group – Thursday 25th January at 10am

February half term - Monday 19th February – Friday 23rd February

Easter holidays – Friday 30th March – Tuesday 17th February (Monday is an INSET day for staff only)

Mock exam week for selected Year 11s – w/b 12th February