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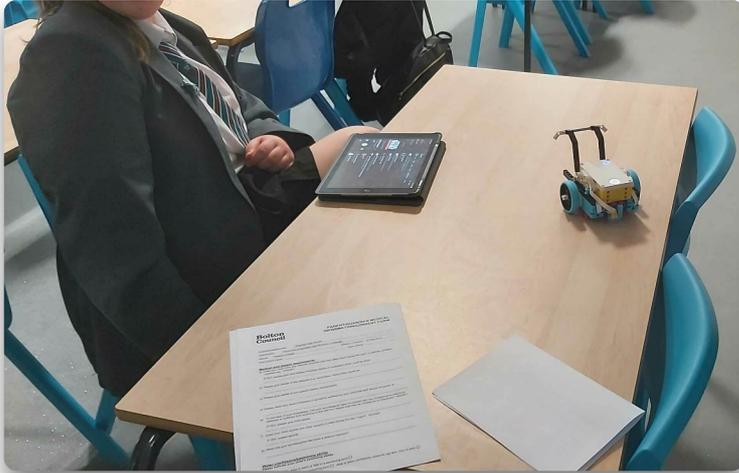
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Science Enrichment - Lego Robotics Challenge

For the last 6 weeks, a very committed team of Year 9 students have been building and programming Lego Robots to compete in the Tomorrow's Engineers Robotics Challenge.



Abdullahi, Amirah, Jacob, Isaac, Mohamed, Hannah, Bethany and Khadijah had several challenges to prepare for, including a robot challenge mat, a speed test and a team presentation.



On Wednesday 4th May, the team travelled to Preston College to compete against 12 other teams from all over the North West. The team performed brilliantly and in a strong field finished 3rd, 2 points away from qualifying for the national final. A fantastic achievement, well done team!

Mr D. Simpson - Director of Science



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PE Department Student News

Over the past few weeks, the PE department has been receiving lots of emails containing lots of pictures and information about what our students do in their spare time. It is fantastic to see so many students taking part in competitions or events that help them remain physically active. Some of the examples are below;

Joseph W in Year 9

Joseph has shared information about his role as 'Run Director' for a recent Junior Park Run event held in Queens Park as part of his Duke of Edinburgh award. Joseph was the first DofE student to be given this role which is a great achievement. Joseph said his role consisted of "directing and sorting out the entire run, from setting up the finish line and organisers table to doing the big group warm up and weekly announcements. I also learned how to submit the race results and stayed behind to help with them." This is a great achievement from Joseph, one which we hope he can continue doing in the future! Well done Joseph!





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Macaulay B in Year 8

Well done to Macaulay in Y8 for completing the Heaton Park 5K this past weekend. Macaulay finished with a time of 37:56. Hopefully Macaulay will continue this in the many more upcoming events. Another great accomplishment, Well done Macaulay!



Jaxon & Maddox in Year 7

Both Jaxon & Maddox attended a kickboxing competition this past weekend competing in their relevant age and weight categories. Both students fought well with Jaxon placing 3rd in his category. This is not the first time we have been sent pictures of both students attending and we hope this will continue in the future in more of their competitions, Well done Jaxon & Maddox!



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Oliver Mc in Year 7

Oliver is a very keen and talented trampolinist who often shares his videos from his competitions with the PE Department. This weekend was no different, with us receiving a video of Oliver's performance full of twists and turns. We hope that Oliver continues with his hard work and dedication to his sport and shares his experiences with us along the way, Well done Oliver!

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English Department's Stars of the Week Work of the Week

Year 7

Jessica K has done some great analysis on poetry. [Click here to view the first page](#) and [here to view the second page](#).

Year 8

Aaminah P has done some excellent work on Macbeth. [Click here to view the first page](#) and [here to view the second page](#).

Year 9

Zeb P has written a brilliant first draft of a narrative. [Click here to view the work](#).

Year 10

Chelsea S has produced some wonderful revision on Romeo and Juliet. [Click here to view the first page](#) and [here to view the second page](#).

Year 11

Raeesa C has worked well on revising comparative poetry. [Click here to view the first page](#), [here to view the second page](#) and [here to view the third page](#).

Last Netball Match of the Year for Year 7 & 8



A big well done to our Year 7 and Year 8 netball team who travelled to King's Leadership Academy on Tuesday. Although the Year 7s narrowly missed out on the win, they showcased some brilliant netball working it through the centre court well. It has been fantastic to see the Year 7s improve since the start of September, when some of them had never played netball before! They have committed to training every week and have developed into a strong, competitive team! This was the final game of the year for both teams and the Year 8s saved some of their best netball to last.

They managed a convincing win against a resilient King's side. The attacking players worked it brilliantly around the circle edge to ensure they had the best shooting opportunities and the defence was on top form making some fantastic interceptions. Well done, girls!



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Year 10 Sports Studies students are put through their paces!



It has been an exciting 2 weeks for our Year 10 Sports Studies students with 2 trips to Windermere as part of their coursework in the Outdoor Adventure Activity unit. 79 students completed a hill walk up Gummer's How and then paddle boarding and kayaking in Lake Windermere. The hill walk was a real challenge but all students completed the trek and showed great resilience throughout the day. It is fair to say that students were blown away by the breathtaking views at the top of the hill. It was fantastic to see students developing new skills and working together on the activities in what was an action packed day for them.

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Attendance Information

Reporting an absence:

If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school before 9.30am with full details of your child's illness/symptoms. The attendance email is the easiest way to contact school as the phone line can get very busy.

The school attendance email is: attendance@sharplesschool.co.uk

If we are unable to make contact and you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, this absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Attendance Data

Year Groups attendance this week:

Year 7 = 93.47%
Year 8 = 94.71%
Year 9 = 94.52%
Year 10 = 94.49%
Year 11 = 91.18%

Best forms this week:

7R = 100%
8S = 98.42%
9S = 99.63%
10H = 99.12%
11P1 = 96.23%

140 pupils have achieved 100% this academic year

Date for your Diary

Friday 13th May to
Sunday 15th May
- Year 10 Silver
Practice Expedition

Monday 16th May
to Friday 24th June
- GCSE Exam
Window

Monday 30th May
to Friday 3rd June
- May Halfterm
Holiday

Career of the Week: Animator

Animators bring drawings and computer generated characters to life on screen.

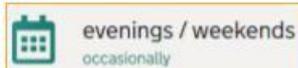
Average Salary:



Typical hours:
(per week)



You could work:



Qualifications:

- You can apply for this job through a university course, as college course, an apprenticeship, working towards this role or specialist courses run by private training providers.
- 2 to 3 A levels, or equivalent, for a degree.
- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, for a Level 3 course.

Skills required:

- Knowledge of media production and communication.
- Design skills and knowledge.
- To be thorough and pay attention to detail.
- Thinking and reasoning skills.
- The ability to use your initiative.
- The ability to work well with your hands.
- To be flexible and open to change.
- Knowledge of the fine arts.

Relevant Subjects:

- Design & Technology, Art, Computer Science.

Information sourced from: <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-profiles/animator>



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