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## *Weekly Bulletin*

### **LEADERSHIP MESSAGE:**

We've had a fantastic week at Longdon Hall School as our students continue their transition activities within their new form groups. It's been wonderful to see everyone settling in so well and embracing the opportunities to get to know their new teams.

Our enterprise projects are now in full swing, and we've been truly impressed by the creativity and enthusiasm on display. Students have come up with some brilliant business ideas and are working incredibly hard to bring them to life.

We can't wait to share their efforts with you on the last day of term– it promises to be a great celebration of all their hard work!

### **PARENT NOTICES:**

**Longdon Hall Enterprise Day: Friday 18th July between 11.00-12.15**

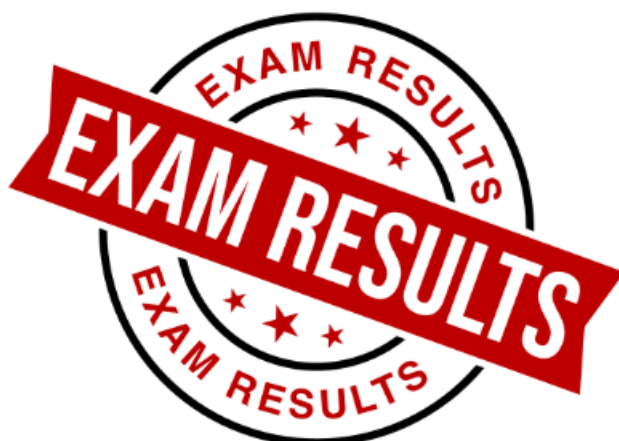
**End of Summer term: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

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**Please join us between 11am - 1pm  
on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2025 at  
Longdon Hall School to collect your  
child's GCSE Results!\***

**\*If you have arranged for postal / email results  
these will be sent out before 11am on 21/08/25**

**JCQ guidance:** can anyone wishing to collect results via email please contact [lizzie.sowden@longdonhallschool.co.uk](mailto:lizzie.sowden@longdonhallschool.co.uk) with the student's personal email as they have to be sent to the student personally and not the parent / carer, thanks.

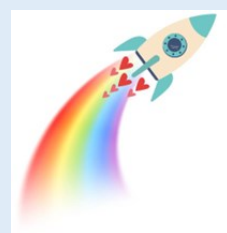
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### **BLAST Summer 2025 Sessions - Craft, Lego, Sensory toys & Support for Your Family**



Dear Parent/Carer,

Is your child autistic, or starting on an autism assessment pathway?

If you're feeling uncertain, have questions, or just don't know where to begin - our Summer Fun sessions are designed with you in mind.

We know how it feels when autism is first mentioned. We know it can take years for assessments for children in Staffordshire. Most importantly, we know you don't need to wait for a diagnosis to get support and connect with other families.

**When & Where:** Four Friday sessions in August

Family Hub, Purcell Avenue, Lichfield, WS13 7PH 1<sup>st</sup> August, 8<sup>th</sup> August, 22<sup>nd</sup> August:  
10:00-11:30am | 29<sup>th</sup> August : 1:00-2:30pm

**Activities for Children (ages 4-12):** Craft /Lego building and free play areas/  
Sensory toys and specialist equipment/Social time and peer connections

#### **Support for Parents:**

- **No diagnosis required** – suitable for those awaiting assessments
- Small groups so you won't get lost in the crowd
- Meet other parents who understand exactly what you're going through
- Safe space to ask questions (they're never silly!) - Learn from families who've been where you are now

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What Happens After: We don't just offer sessions and disappear. We'll help connect you to:

- Our BLAST SOS parent program for ongoing support
- Information about local services and how to access them
- Other families and support networks
- Resources to help you understand and navigate the systems

Booking Information: £4 per child, £1 per adult - great value for families! Family Hub Free Pass holders welcome but must still book in advance. Book one session, or all four to really connect with our community. Thank you to We Love Lichfield for their support.

Important: These sessions fill up quickly. Book early to secure your spot.

BOOK NOW:

<https://blast-burntwood-and-lichfield-autism-support-together.sumupstore.com/>

You don't need to have everything figured out to join us. In fact, that's exactly why we're here.

With understanding, The BLAST Team

P.S. Already part of our BLAST community? These sessions are perfect for summer fun and connecting with new families too!

Thank you to BLAST volunteers, We Love Lichfield, Newlife and the Family Hub for supporting this event.

[www.blastsupport.org](http://www.blastsupport.org)

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### **CURRICULUM UPDATES:**

National Picnic Month is a celebration dedicated to the joys of picnicking and spending time outdoors with family and friends. Throughout this month, people are encouraged to take advantage of the warm summer weather by organizing picnics in parks, beaches, and other scenic spots. It's an opportunity to enjoy delicious food, connect with nature, and create lasting memories with loved ones. National Picnic

Month emphasizes the simple pleasure of sharing meals in the open air and promotes the idea of relaxation and recreation in natural surroundings.

To celebrate student's will enjoy a school picnic with their class teams on Monday! Please ensure student's have sun cream / hats and appropriate clothing as it is set to be the hottest day of the year so far.



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### **Lunch Menu**

**Week commencing: 14/7/2025**

**Monday:** Sandwich picnic bag - ham sandwich, cheese sandwich, tuna sandwich, salad bowl, 2 sausage rolls, (cheese roll also available) Crisps, cookie, ice lolly or choc ice depending on availability

**Tuesday main:** Mac and cheese, garlic bread

**Dessert:** Lemon cake

**Wednesday main:** Fish fingers, chips, beans or peas

**Dessert:** Jelly

**Thursday main:** Chicken burger, wedges, sweetcorn or beans

**Dessert:** Muffin

**Friday:** English breakfast between 9:30 -10:30

*Each day there are also the following options in addition to the main meal:*

*jacket potato*

*sweet potato*

*hot ham baguette*

*hot cheese baguette*

*hot ham and cheese baguette*

*hot tuna and cheese baguette*

*ham sandwich*

*cheese sandwich*

*tuna sandwich*

*or a salad choice*

*a vegetarian option of the main course is also available daily*

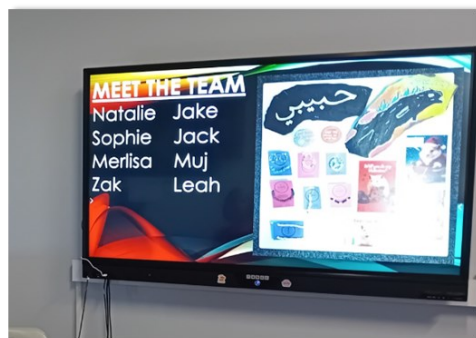
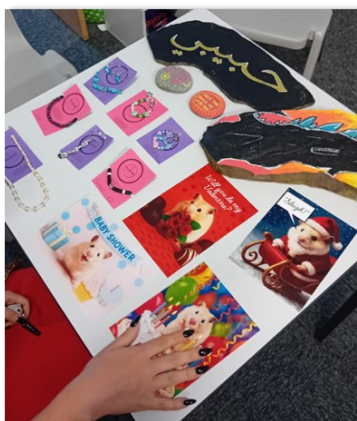
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### **CURRICULUM UPDATES:**



Class teams have been pitching their business plans and preparing for Longdon Hall Enterprise Day next Friday. Student's have been looking at business planning, costings, production, packaging and selling / ordering ideas!

We look forward to seeing you all then for the event!

Friday 18th July between 11.00-12.15



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### **CURRICULUM UPDATES:**



### **Mosaic making workshop**

Students have been working hard to learn the steps of being safe when cutting and preparing pieces of tiles to form a chosen design and create their own mosaic masterpieces! Thought has gone into the colours and overall presentation to give an aesthetically pleasing finish.



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### CURRICULUM UPDATES:

#### Art workshop



Wow! Students absolutely loved experimenting with spray paints, posca paint pens and a blank canvas to create some wonderful creations, templates were used as a starting point, such as a simple heart proving to be quite popular. Students enjoyed this opportunity being outside and getting creative, several students have also said they would like to take part in this activity in the future.

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### **CURRICULUM UPDATES: Art workshop continued:**



A few more photographs taken from the Art workshops, demonstrating wonderful painting skills onto rock and colourful ice cream designs.





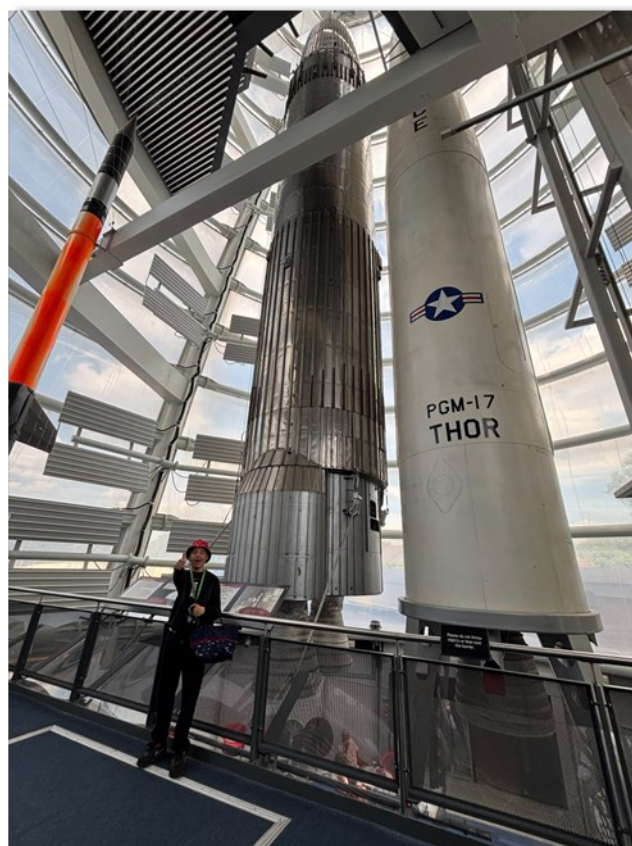
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### **CURRICULUM UPDATES:**



RGr has been on his end of year trip to the National Space Centre and has had a great time learning all about how space travel has evolved over the generations.

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### **SAFEGUARDING UPDATE:**

#### **For Parents - Holiday Conversations**

The holiday period is an ideal time for parents to sit down with their children, play their games and use their apps to get to know the endless fun but also the potential risks. Conversations can be difficult, especially if the parent isn't a user of tech, but conversation is the most powerful risk mitigator of all. So where do parents start?

The NSPCC have put together a fabulous page full of information such as:

- Age-appropriate conversations taking into consideration different ages.
- Resources such as tips and quizzes.
- An understanding of some of the risks.
- And tackling difficult conversations.

A great one to share with parents and you can find the page here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety>

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### **SAFEGUARDING UPDATE:**

#### **Loneliness**

**Source:** NSPCC

**Date published:** 01 July 2025

The NSPCC has published a news story about children and young people experiencing loneliness, particularly during the summer months. New data from Childline shows that in 2024/25, there were 4,564 counselling sessions in which young people mentioned loneliness, with a higher than average amount taking place in July and August. The news story sets out tips to support young people who may be experiencing loneliness.

#### **Read the news story:**

[https://www.nspcc.org.uk/about-us/news-opinion/2025/childline-prepares-for-rise-in-children-reaching-out-about-loneliness-this-summer/?utm\\_campaign=20250707\\_KIS\\_CASPAR\\_July07&utm\\_content=Childline%20prepares%20for%20a%20rise%20in%20children%20reaching%20out%20about%20loneliness%20this%20summer&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=Adestra](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/about-us/news-opinion/2025/childline-prepares-for-rise-in-children-reaching-out-about-loneliness-this-summer/?utm_campaign=20250707_KIS_CASPAR_July07&utm_content=Childline%20prepares%20for%20a%20rise%20in%20children%20reaching%20out%20about%20loneliness%20this%20summer&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Adestra)