

To all our families and friends, we hope you have a happy and relaxing holiday and we look forward to welcoming all of our students back on January 5th 2021. We hope you all stay healthy and well.

Ruth Hartley (Head of School)













RESILIENCE





Mr Bibby

Head of Music / Performing Arts



Teacher of Science



Head of Careers



Miss Arif **Teaching Assistant**



Teacher of MFL



Senior Deputy Headteacher



Lead Teacher of Health & Social Care





Teacher of Music



Mr Gregory

Teacher of Technology



Mr Hanna

Teacher of Science



Librarian



Assistant Headteacher



Teacher of English



Teacher of English



Mr Mincher

Teacher of MFL



Associate Assistant Headteacher



Teaching Assistant



Deputy Pastoral Leader (Year 10)



Technology Technician



Pastoral Manager Year 7



Teacher of Maths

It already feels like they have been here for a long time! Here are some of the things they had to say about their time at BBEC so far:



The funniest moment since I started was trying to sing the 'Circle Song' to Year 10 and a student reminding me to stick to my day job! (Mr Mutasa)

Everyone is so friendly and helpful. I look forward to coming into work in the morning and seeing my students. They are all different and unique, but all want to progress in their studies. They have all missed coming into school since the first lockdown and now appreciate school that little bit more! It's great seeing students wanting to learn and enjoy thier school life. In my first term here, I have made some great friends! Everyone cares about your well-being and are very supportive. It truly does feel like a family here......

The BBEC Family!!! I'm so so happy to be part of it! Mrs Karim

What have you enjoyed most since you started at BBEC?

Getting to meet and know all the Health and Social Care students and being a Yr. 9 form tutor for the first time ever, even though I've been teaching for over 18 years.

What has been the funniest moment since you started?

The fire alarm. I don't think we'd ever had so many bits of astro turf in our shoes before. Miss Dobson

I have enjoyed the welcoming environment BBEC has provided this first term! Moving to a new school/place can be nerve-wrecking but everyone at BBEC has provided the continued support to make it a great few months. Mr Hanna









Last week students from year 10 and 11 took part in interviews to decide who would become head boy/girl and deputy head boy/girl.

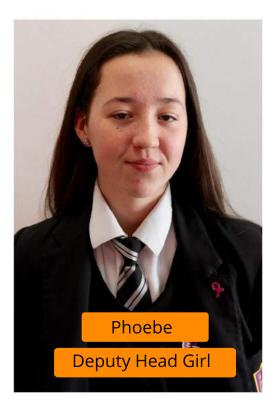
We are delighted to inform you that Jack was chosen as head boy, Lucy as Head Girl, Pheobe as Deputy Head Girl and Ashley as Deputy Head Boy.

The students will be working together over the coming weeks to decide on what key topics they would like to work on as student leaders – watch this space!





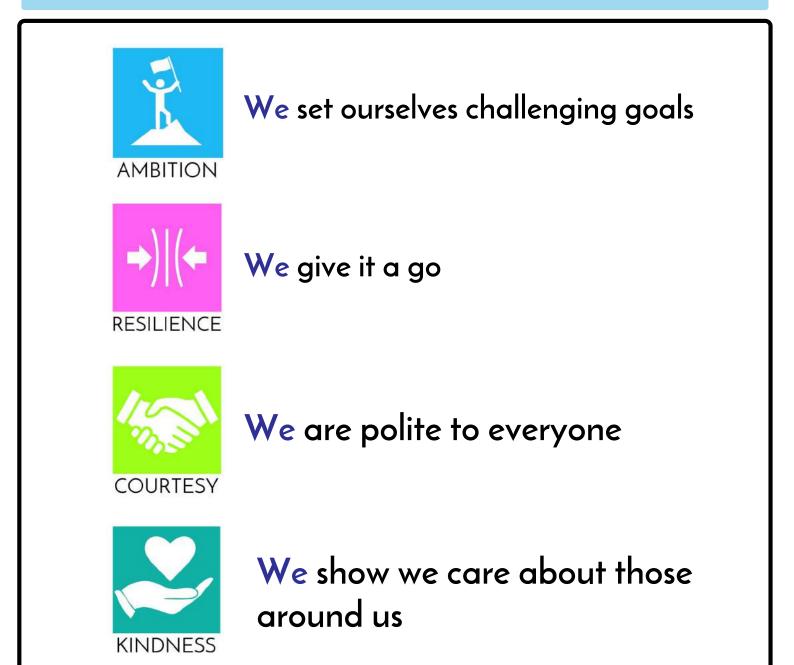




BBEC School Values - ARCK



At BBEC we aim to develop the whole child to ensure that they embody BBEC's values both in and out of school, by being **ambitious** and **resilient** in their work and **courteous** and **kind** in their interactions with other people.



Our school launched its new School Values back in September 2020 and since then we have worked hard to recognise both staff and students who use these values on a day to day basis. We have had focus weeks that have allowed parents and carers to contribute how their children show our school values outside of the school setting. An additional 6200 positive points have been awarded in our two focus weeks. We are having the final two weeks of this year as Kindness weeks. We have been overwhelmed by the kind words that have been shared, below are just a few:

Here are a few screenshots from our social media pages



Well done to Emma of @BBEC1 who has shown #kindness at home. She has helped at home whilst parent has been poorly. This has in turn helped the whole family. Well done Emma

A huge #kindness shout out to Jacob who is always kind to his mum. Mum suffers from multiple sclerosis and struggles with every day things, Jacob looks after her and cares for her every day. Well done Jacob!! Thank you to our Year 7 cohort @BBEC1 for showing #kindness today and bringing in goods to donate to our appeal. We are so grateful!









Congratulations to our wonderful Year 7 @BBEC1 students who have been nominated this week for showing #courtesy in class and around school. They have actively shown our value of 'being polite to everyone'. We are so proud of you.



Charli of @BBEC1 has shown #resilience. She has completed school work and helped with chores while we have been at work. Charli has struggled with being at home and away from her peers again but has shown a tremendous amount of resilience and willingness to succeed. Well done!

Layna in Year 7 @BBEC1 has been nominated for showing **#resilience** through her transition to secondary school. She has accepted and rose to all the challenges set. Well done Layna!

ATTENDANCE

As a parent/carer you have a legal responsibility to ensure full time education by regular attendance at school or otherwise (Section 444, Education Act 1996).

The school target for attendance is 97%. If your child does not attend school regularly (over 90%) the Local Authority can take action against you.



What is a Fixed Penalty Notice?

This is a fine given to parents for not sending your child/children to school regularly.

This can be £120 per parent/carer reduced to £60 if paid within 21 days. If the £120 is not paid within 28 days a summons can be issued to appear in Magistrates' Court.



Get your child to school on time every day!

There is a link between good attendance and high-level attainment. Parents and carers are **legally responsible** for ensuring their child gets to school on time every day.

Absence during term time?

Children **MUST NOT** be absent from school for:

- Day Trips
- Baby Sitting
- Holidays
- Shopping
- Sibling Illness
- Birthday
- Parent/Carer illness

Persistent Absence!

Any child with attendance below 90%, regardless of the reason for the absence, is considered a persistent absentee. **This equates to just 2 days each month.**

IS YOUR CHILD A PERSISTENT ABSENTEE?

Statistics show that persistent absentees are less likely to achieve their full potential, and can affect GCSE grades, and a child's future prospects.

PUNCTUALITY



Everyone needs to be on time for work. It is the same for school!

It is a quality that employers look for when you go for a job!

Being on time shows you are courteous and you have respect for others and their time, it sets first impressions.

Arriving late can make your child feel awkward.

Showing you can be on time repeatedly is showing resilience!

In a school year if your child arrives late by:	Your child would have lost approximately	Or they would have missed approximately
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from school	25 lessons
10 Minutes	7 days of school	49 lessons
15 Minutes	10 days of school	70 lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 days of school	100 lessons
30 Minutes	22 days of school	150 lessons

If you are concerned about your child's punctuality please speak to the school to discuss your concerns.

Call 01274 676285 or the attendance line 01274 805692



Each year, the European Day of Languages takes place on 26th September to celebrate the diversity of languages spoken in Europe. At BBEC, this was no exception!

All week, staff were testing their linguistic skills by using different languages in their lessons, whether that was by greeting students at the door in German, taking the register in Polish, or saying farewell in Portuguese. Students were also encouraged to broaden their horizons by speaking another language outside of their usual French and Spanish lessons. During period 3, the MFL team set the European Day of Languages Challenge in which students were given 10 sentences and asked to guess the language of each. Bonus points were awarded to students who could also name the array of flags from around the world.

There were lots of impressive scores, but the winners were: Zulqarnain (7JF), Kenya (8PN), Alfie (9MMC), Mohammed (10LH) and Milly (11SH). Thank you to everyone who took part, to students and staff for their linguistic efforts throughout the week, and a big well done to our five winners! Félicitations!





Year 7 students took part in prefect elections in order to democratically vote in their prefects and brand new members of Student Parliament.

This year has seen the School Parliament system adapt so that all prefects are now working in year group bubbles and forming their own departments within the parliament.

Year 7 have formed the Department for the Environment

Year 8 have formed the Department for Health and Wellbeing

Year 9 have formed the Department for Communication

Year 10 have formed the Department for the Community

Year 11 have formed the Department for Education and Careers



New for this year: the School Parliament has teamed up with Enactus UK's #nextgenleaders programme [http://enactusuk.org/schools-programme] to develop a social action project which not only enhances the lives of our students, but also the local community.



Teaching black history is important to the BBEC vision and fits in so well with our values of ambition, resilience, courtesy and kindness.

Our schemes of work all contain black history and so we wanted to use Black History Month as a celebration of brilliant individuals who are not currently covered in our curriculum. To do this we chose important figures ranging from key characters in STEM to pioneers in religion, politics and music and pupils were asked to research them and create profiles. Creative control and freedom was given so pupils produced diverse and detailed assessments not only of who they were and what they did but also why they did it and the impact they had made. To make sure that no student missed out on the opportunity to complete the work due to COVID we utilised Teams and also set the work online.

Students were really passionate about the content and the cause and have championed sharing their hard work through a display. The Head of Humanities will be working with Year 10 to create a showcase of student work and important contextual details which we know will help to even further promote black history and its importance within the BBEC family.



Autumn term has had a focus on careers within form time with lessons being delivered on post 16 options as well as career development. As part of these weeks, students in year 11 have taken part in a practice mock interview to help them with the real thing when they leave school.

One student stated that "It gave me confidence and experience for when I have an interview".

Those students who have not had a practice will have the opportunity to do so in the spring term. Years 9 and 8 also took part in virtual careers panels involving local employers form sectors including law, engineering and finance, to help students see the importance of employability skills and to also find out what employers are looking for. We hope to run further events in the spring term focused on careers in the curriculum and also those relating to science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM).





Students and staff have been following our Kindness value by collecting selection boxes, mince pies, general food items and toiletries to make up Christmas food hampers for local families in need.

All students who have brought in a donation have received a Kindness sticker which gives them 20 achievement points and a raffle ticket.



The Sandale Trust is a fantastic community-based organisation whose focus it is to help make their community a better and happier place.

We have been collecting toys and books for their Secret Santa appeal to distribute to families in Buttershaw and Wibsey.

For more information about Sandale Trust, please visit www.sandaletrust.org



supporting blind and partially sighted people



Did you know that the Royal National Institute for the Blind can turn your used stamps into cash? One kilo of stamps raises £20 to help break down barriers that stop people with sight loss from living life to the full.

They accept all stamps – new, used, first or second class, British or foreign – if you are removing them from an envelope or parcel, please leave a centimetre around the stamp. Stamps can be handed in to form tutors and we will be collecting them all year round!

More information is available here: www.rnib.org.uk/donations-and-fundraising/fundraising-your-community/stamps-appeal

Charities Fighting for young people's mental health HEBOOYEIOYEIOW





On World Mental Health Day in October 2020 we said #HelloYellow and helped raise funds for YoungMinds. In exchange for a silver coin, staff and students could wear a small yellow accessory to brighten the classroom, showing young people they're not alone with their mental health.

Poor mental health affects approximately 1 in 10 children and young adults. YoungMinds are instrumental in helping to tackle this issue. They provide vital support and guidance.





2020



On Friday 11 December we held our annual Christmas Jumper Day. Students and staff brought in a silver coin as a donation and all proceeds went to Save the Children. The Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day raises much needed funds for children across the world.

Here's some amazing examples of what Save the Children can do:

- £2 could pay for hand sanitiser to help fight coronavirus in one of Save the Children's medical clinics
- £6 could buy a face shield for a superhero health worker in Yemen
- £10 could buy antibiotics to help five children beat malnutrition
- £20 could buy a back-to-school kit for a child in Indonesia
- £60 could buy toys and books to support children from struggling families in the UK
- £100 could buy a first aid kit for a health worker in Somalia







State Man

















The works







Once again, BBEC staff have gone the extra mile to help out local good causes by donating biscuits, tea and coffee to Cancer Support Yorkshire.

The drop in centre at Cancer Support Yorkshire offers vital support to people affected by cancer diagnosis. Many patients, along with their family members, find that a good chat (accompanied by a warming cuppa and a biscuit!) goes some way to providing some often needed comfort and reassurance. The centre depends on the local community's continued fundraising efforts to support the work that they do.

"At Cancer Support Yorkshire we know how comforting or reassuring a cuppa with a biscuit can be especially if you're a bit down, upset or waiting for a loved one to finish a support session.

We actually serve thousands every year which is costly. Therefore we are extremely grateful to everyone at Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College for the hundreds of packets of biscuits which means we now have more to spend on service provision." **Cancer Support Yorkshire**"



Staff at BBEC supported the World's Biggest Coffee Morning on Friday 25th September.

Staff purchased cakes and helped raise £25 towards ths very worthwhile cause.







BBEC students again marked Remembrance Day with a special virtual assembly, remembering those who have given their lives in conflicts over the last century fighting for freedom and our way of life.

This year we also remembered those who have lost their lives through helping others during the fight against coronavirus, particularly NHS workers. Students were extremely respectful throughout the assembly and two-minute silence; they then wrote a short message as a reflection on what they had heard.



The performing arts department hosted a virtual online showcase: 'The 12 Days of Christmas'.

Staff and students were treated to a variety of performances including singing, dancing, reading and a throwback to some of our past productions.

We are privileged that Maddie agreed to start our count down to Christmas with a rendition of 'Have yourself a Merry Little Christmas'. Maddie is one of our rising stars in BBEC and we are so proud of her. Her rendition was placed on our social media pages and we are pleased to say has been shared far and wide. Just a couple of our tweets are below:

A tweet stated: Buttershaw Upper School @BBEC1 has a long history of producing fantastic singers, musicians + actors, I think Maddie's performance is right up there with the best - what a voice (not only because I've known her since she was a baby and this made me weep!) #sparklingbradford

This is just gorgeous from @BBEC1 - should be shared far and wide



PETERPAN

During December staff and students worked hard to produce our first ever virtual pantomime 'Peter Pan'.

Scenes were filmed separately in student year group bubbles and then edited together to create the final showcase.

The performance will be watched by all students on Thursday 17th December and shared with primary schools in our local area.





Santa .