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'CINDERELLA' A CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME



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AMBITION



RESILIENCE



COURTESY



KINDNESS

Prefect Inauguration



Last month 75 prefects were inaugurated at the magnificent Bradford City Hall in front the Deputy Lord Mayor, our Chair of Governors Ruby Bhatti OBE, Head Teacher Ms Hartley and very proud parents. They will form three departments within our Student Parliament: Department for Wellbeing, Department for Diversity and Inclusion and the Department for the Community. Congratulations to all elected students.

These 75 students will become a driving force for student led change within our school and we cannot wait to see the impact they will make. Watch this space!



Meet the Wellbeing department! These students will be working hard to promote positive mental health across the school, as well as raising awareness of mental health issues faced by young people. We will also be running healthy eating campaigns to encourage more BBEC students to eat healthily. Finally, we will be your anti-bullying ambassadors.



Meet the Community Department! We are currently working on several things that help bring BBEC and the local community together. This includes the launch of a new student-run magazine that celebrates everything that is fantastic about BBEC students; exciting events in and out of school; and working with local charities and community groups in order to help those that need it.



Meet the Diversity and Inclusion department! These students will be working to ensure that all students feel that they belong at BBEC by celebrating diversity and eliminating all types of discrimination.



Prize Giving Evening

On remembrance day, 11th November, we celebrated our annual awards ceremony at the Bradford Cathedral. This was an incredible event with over 120 of our students receiving certificates and gifts for **AMBITION** and **RESILIENCE** in their subject areas and for **COURTESY** and **KINDNESS** across their year groups.

There were also 6 special prize winners of the categories of Dr Ian Palmer, Connor Lancaster and Dave Morgan Awards. The Cathedral provided an incredible backdrop to the evening, and we were treated to speeches from students in Year 7, Lilly and Jahan, as well as musical performances from the BBEC Choir and a solo piano piece from Melody.

Our appreciation for the event went to many people, including the Cathedral staff, our amazing administration team, music teachers, Mr Zdanowicz, ICT support and to Mr. Ryan for leading the event.



Bradford Schools Pandemic

RECOVERY SUMMIT



On the 19th of November 20 students from the Wellbeing department of BBEC's student parliament took part in a fantastic virtual conference with lots of other schools from across Bradford.

The purpose of this summit was to meet and discuss the research students had been doing in school regarding the effect of the Pandemic, in a number of different key areas. BBEC students attended three workshops: one on racism throughout the pandemic; one on the impact of poverty during the pandemic and one on the lost voices of LGBTQ youth during the pandemic. 10 students from BBEC participated in, and presented a workshop with two other BDAT schools all about the effect that the pandemic had on young people's mental health.

They shared their fantastic presentation, filled with testimony from students and staff at BBEC, as well as students from the primary school, The Academy at St Johns. All students who took part were fantastic representatives of the school and had some thoughtful things to say:

"Everyone had a contribution, no one was left out. Every school had everyone saying something, it was a good time and we solved a lot of problems."

"I learned that other schools have the same problems we do and we can use ideas about how they are tackling their problems to help our problems. Everyone had really good ideas."

"I felt confident, I felt confident when I was presenting too."

"I didn't want to talk, but I did. It was only Charlie that was talking so I spoke so the pressure wasn't on him."

"I feel like by telling schools what we do we can help other schools to improve. We could have helped other schools so they know who to call - we could have made them more aware of the different people they can call if they need help."

But this is not the end; after Christmas, we will continue our work on Mental health and we will be meeting some important members of the Bradford community to discuss these issues further. Keep your eyes peeled for our next conference!

BBEC READS

In September we were really excited to launch our BBEC Reads tutor time reading programme in years 7, 8 and 9. It has been fantastic to see tutors reading to their tutor groups and enjoying a range of books. Here is what some of our year 7s have had to say about BBEC Reads so far:

"I really like this system and I hope we do a lot more of this in the future as I like reading different styles of books."

"I find it is good for you because you can get better at reading."

7SJN's first read was *Asha and the Spirit Bird* by Jasbinder Bilan. Here's what they had to say about it:

"I liked how Asha took leadership and she and Jeevan had such a strong relationship and trusted each other with so much."

"I liked how detailed and magic it was. It was just a book that was really interesting and when you start reading it you feel like you can't pull your eyes away from the book."

"The character called Asha tried to save her dad but it was really hard and cold but she was resilient."

It's great to see students making the links between BBEC Reads and the **ARCK values**.



BBEC WRITES

In the summer of 2021, a number of our current year 8 students entered a Young Writers' competition. Their challenge was to produce a mini saga from the genre of crime fiction in under 100 words! The theme they were given was 'unsolved'.

We are proud that 7 BBEC students' entries were selected for publication in the 'Unsolved' anthology.

To check out their writing, head to the library where a copy of the book is available. Well done to the following year 8 students: Ellis, Kenzie, Samuel, Zulqarnain, Leon, Mckenzie and Amie.





To celebrate European Languages Day, students took part in an array of European-inspired activities throughout the last week of September.

These included: being greeted by staff in various European languages, taking part in a languages quiz, and attending the after-school European Cinema. Well done to Samantha, Freddie, Memphis, Jessica and Lacey-Leigh who got all the quiz answers correct and won a map of Europe poster!

Thank you also to everyone who came to watch a film at the European Cinema. The Swedish, Norwegian and Turkish films shown were all in their original languages, accompanied by English subtitles.

The students who attended loved not only the plots (and the complimentary popcorn!), but also the chance to experience different cultures through the medium of film. "Merci beaucoup" to everyone involved! The MFL Team.





SUPER LEAGUE

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GRAND FINAL

Fourteen students travelled to watch the Super League Grand Final match at Old Trafford. The contest was between Catalans Dragons vs St Helens.

It was a very tight game which finished 12-10 to St Helens. It was a fantastic opportunity for the students to watch two of the best teams in the English game and enjoy their experience visiting one of the world's greatest sporting grounds.



WILLY RUSSELL'S
BLOOD
Brothers



'Did you ever hear the story of the Johnstone twins,
As like each other as two new pins,
How one was kept and one given away,
How they were born, and they died, on the
selfsame day?'

Year 11 students recently attended a performance of Willy Russell's tragic musical 'Blood Brothers' at The Alhambra in Bradford. The text is studied as part of their GCSE English literature and is worth 25% of the overall grade.

Seeing it in performance is hugely beneficial as students are able to see how stagecraft and atmosphere affect the portrayal of themes in the play. Aside from this, it is also a fantastic show and gave students a well-earned break from all of the exam preparations that have been happening in school.

A great evening was had by all and, as is always the case, our students were a credit to BBEC!

ARCK

CHAMPION



Here is Shante (year 10) receiving her gift basket. A well deserving winner of 'Champion of ARCK Champions' Term one.

Each Thursday during V.I.P all form groups nominate one student that has consistently demonstrated one or more of the school values throughout that week.

Each student's name is recorded and celebrated on social media.

Students are rewarded each half term with a certificate and treat if they have been nominated during an end of half term celebration assembly.





CINDERELLA

The Performing Arts Department was proud to present the spectacular Christmas pantomime 'Cinderella'. It was the first live event we have hosted since 2019 and the audience were treated to an amazing fun packed show.

The pantomime has become an annual tradition at BBEC and staff and students did a wonderful job entertaining a live audience who thoroughly enjoyed and engaged with the performance on the night. The highlight of the show was an energetic and brilliant performance of '12 days of Christmas'. Thank you to all staff and students who helped make the show possible.





Charities

YOUNGMINDS
fighting for young people's mental health

#HelloYellow



www.youngminds.org.uk

SEND A TEXT TO: 85258

URGENT HELP: TEXT YM to 85258



On World Mental Health Day in October 2021 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.



A BIG THANK YOU



On the 24th of September, BBEC hosted a Macmillan Coffee morning for staff. There was a selection of cakes and biscuits and plenty of staff attended to support this wonderful cause.



**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**

**WORLD'S BIGGEST
COFFEE
MORNING**

The World's Biggest Coffee Morning on Friday 24th September is Macmillan's biggest fundraising event for people facing cancer.

They ask people all over the UK to host their own Coffee Mornings and donations on the day are made to Macmillan. Last year alone they raised over £27 million and together we can make this another successful year.

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CANCER SUPPORT**



show racism
the red card

Show Racism the Red Card



On Thursday 21st October, we recognised Show Racism the Red Card's Wear Red Day.

Show Racism the Red Card is the UK's leading anti-racist educational charity. Staff wore red and students could wear a red accessory. Staff and students were also all given a red card to display in blazers/lanyards to demonstrate BBEC's commitment to anti-racism.

More information is available at www.theredcard.org

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TRANS AWARENESS WEEK

NOVEMBER 13-19



During Transgender Awareness Week (15th-19th November), we recognised Transgender Awareness Week by raising money for the Mermaids Charity.

Mermaids is a national charity that works to support transgender, non-binary and gender-diverse young people and their families. The Diversity and Inclusion prefects ran a stall during breaks/lunch for all year groups selling cakes and handmade badges. They raised an incredible £150 for the charity.

This was an excellent first project for the prefects and we can't wait to see what they go on to do this year!



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY



On Friday 10th of December, hundreds of staff and students took part in a very worthwhile cause and donned their colourful and festive Christmas jumpers in exchange for a silver coin.

'Christmas Jumper Day' is an annual event that helps raise money for **'Save The Children**.

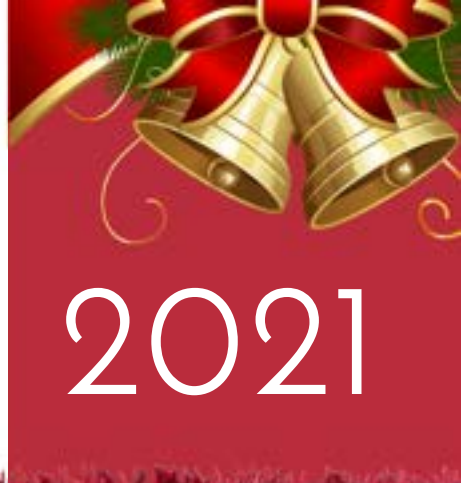
This very important charity helps and supports children all over the world.

To find more about the charity please visit www.savethechildren.org.uk





CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY



2021



CAREERS

NEWS

Careers has been in full swing since we returned from the summer break.

After the restrictions imposed by lock downs we have this term been able to visit local employers throughout October, visiting a number of manufacturers in the local area, including Borg Warner, Powells Electrical and Expressed Steel Panels, all who are looking at employing apprentices in the near future.

Over 50 students were able to experience a visit to an employer which they have missed out on through the pandemic. Our hope is that these students developed a knowledge of one of the sectors that is looking for people to enter it, with a successful career available for the right young person.



ASPIRATIONS

Evening



After the restrictions of last year meaning we were unable to host our annual aspirations evening it was great news that we could invite 40 exhibitors to our annual aspirations evening on the 18th November 2021.

Almost 70% of our year 11 students attended the event to speak to local universities, colleges and local employers who could support with their decisions around their post 16 options.

Local employers including the NHS, Solenis and Yorkshire Building Society gave fantastic feedback about our students asked engaging questions, and were a credit to the school. Year 10's were also invited to the event and hopefully now feel more prepared to make choices surrounding their work placements in the summer term.



MOCK INTERVIEWS



Year 11 have also taken part in a mock interview session in which the students were given a practice interview with an employer including KPMG, Sainsburys and IBM.

All the students were given an opportunity to ask questions and be grilled on what they might be asked in the real thing. Hopefully these sessions will prepare the students for the interviews they have coming up at college or for an apprenticeship.

Remember, it is important that students in year 11 will need to start to make applications to local colleges and sixth forms now to avoid missing out. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Mr Grant on lee.grant@bbec.bdat-academies.org

RUGBY NEWS



Last week we travelled to Castleford academy in the latest round of our Yorkshire Rugby League competition. The game started with 2 early tries scored by Cas out wide due to defensive lapses, and there were murmurings on the side-lines that we had left our heads on the bus ... but then we started to play.

Suleiman was first class in defence putting in some huge hits. Cody, Logan and Josh ran hard and strong.

Ellis, Cody, Adam and Harry were strong in the centre but we weren't enough to stop them capitalising on possession with tries in the wide channels.

As the half drew to a close, Buttershaw had a really strong attack. Josh ran a great line at pace which resembled a derailed steam train ploughing through houses leaving chaos in his wake. From the ruck the ball made its way to Harry who stepped, weaved and battled his way over the line, dotting down between the sticks.

In the second half we started strong, Harry again stepping and dummieing the defence tying them in knots to find his way through. Harry converted his own try for the second time taking us to 12 points.

From there Cas worked out our weakness and started playing the ball wide more often on their massive pitch, where our new players struggled to maintain discipline in defence. We had a long period of defending and not seeing much of the ball. With the ref communicating one minute to go Buttershaw had one last attack, taking the ball 60m in one set before coming up just short which really encapsulated the spirit and endeavour of the lads on the day. It was hard, and it was a battle, but we never gave up.