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BBEC prefects are inaugurated at  
the very grand Bradford City Hall

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# Message from the Head of School

This has been another busy and exciting term for both staff and students, and a term of firsts for BBEC. We held our first presentation evening in the beautiful Bradford Cathedral in November. It was an amazing evening where we celebrated the efforts and achievements of our wonderful students. This week, another first; we inaugurated our new BBEC student parliament at the prestigious City Hall. Fifty prefects took their positions as student leaders and our Head Boy and Girl along with the Deputy Head Boy and Girl received badges and certificates to mark their election. The Lord Mayor, Councillor Doreen Lee, and Judith Cummins MP were there to help us celebrate.

We continue to be very proud of our charity work and we have raised over £700 for: #HelloYellow on World Mental Health day, Macmillan, Children in Need, Motor Neurone Disease, Bradford Nightstop and The Lord Mayor's Charity as well as creating 22 food hampers for families in need. Our students have also worked on supporting others and improving our school environment. Ten students have completed the (Princess) Diana award to become anti-bullying ambassadors; another ten students are working on a national pilot project with West Yorkshire Police to raise awareness of knife crime and its consequences, whilst in school we have started work to improve recycling to improve sustainability.

Our OAP Christmas party was a great success. Our guests enjoyed a full Christmas dinner, bingo and a raffle. Our student helpers were a credit to us all. As well as all this we have achieved significant sporting successes; our students have explored many different careers through taking part in Bradford Manufacturing Week, visiting Incommunities on an employability programme, joining in events during careers week in school and through our Aspirations Evening (which was the biggest and best it's ever been). There have been a number of residential visits and trips; including two to Old Trafford. We started celebrating Christmas early with a fantastic response to National Christmas Jumper Day and this week we've got the school pantomime too look forward to which always ends the term on a high!

How do we fit it all in?

From the staff, governors and students we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year x

## SOCIAL MEDIA

We would like to encourage parents/carers/ students to follow our new social media accounts.

Keep up to date with all the latest **BBEC** news and pictures.



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# ★ OPEN EVENING ★

In September 2019, BBEC was proud to welcome nearly 400 families to our vibrant and exciting Open Evening on Wednesday 18th September.

The Open Evening is a great chance for parents, carers, future students and visitors to gain a glimpse into school life and meet some of our current staff and students who were on hand to meet and greet guests and guide them around the school.

Tori-Leigh and Charlie spoke beautifully about their first few weeks in Year 7.

We have received glowing feedback about the evening and it was lovely to see so many year 5 and 6 children participating in all the activities.

We look forward to seeing them in the future.

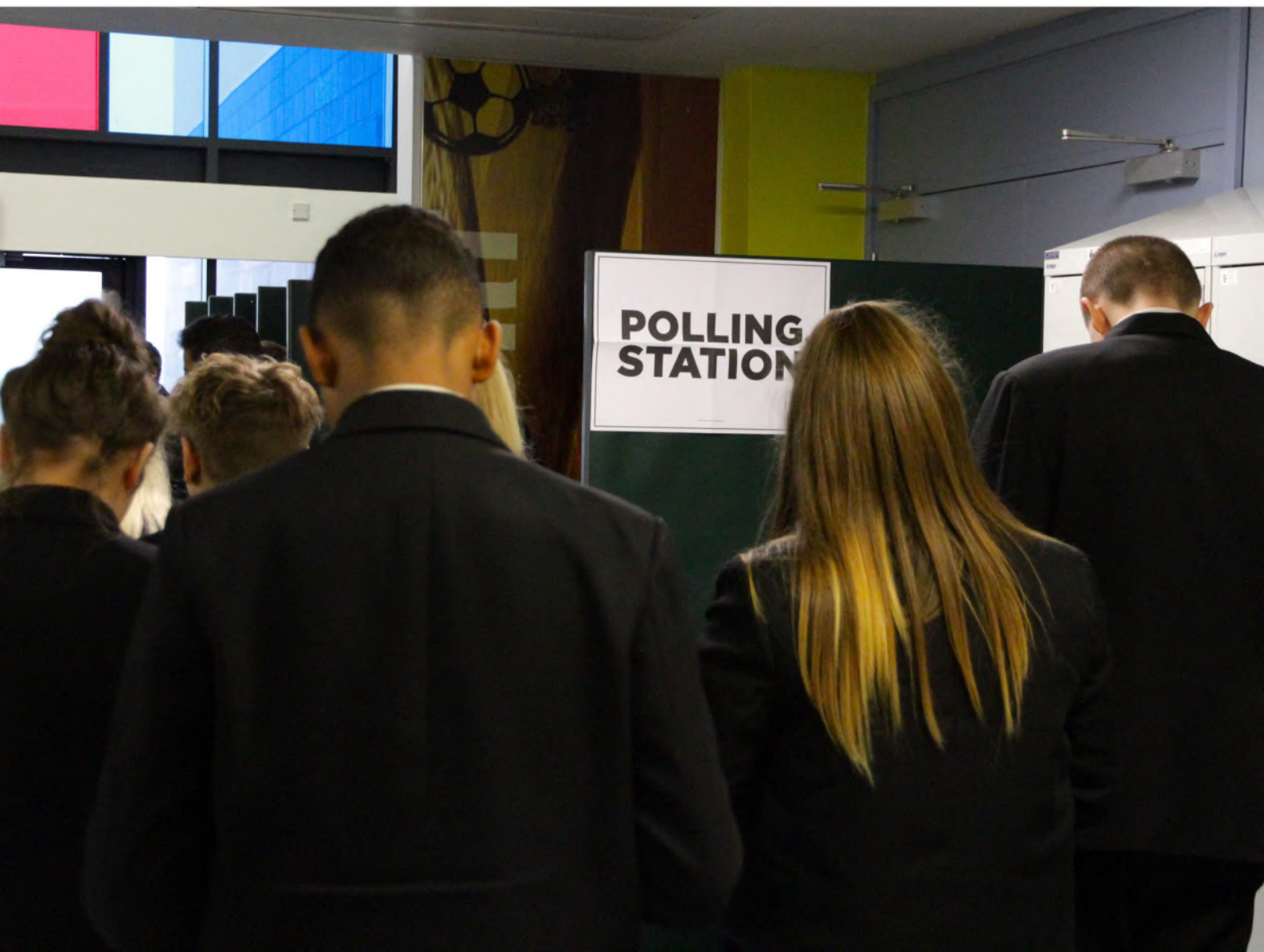


# Democracy in Action!

In November our students had the opportunity to put themselves forward as prefects and members of our newly formed Student Parliament.

This exciting opportunity gave prospective prefects the opportunity to choose a department within the Student Parliament about which they are passionate. The departments have the following aims:

- **Education** – To support and enhance the learning of their fellow students in lessons and at home.
- **Communication** – To act as journalists, seeking out and celebrating the great things our students do every day.
- **Community** – To enhance the sense of community for the students together within the school and for the school within its local community.
- **Environment** – To reduce the school's impact on our environment while also enhancing the environment within which our students learn.
- **Health and Wellbeing** – To promote and support the mental and physical health of our students in school.



Once the students had chosen a department they created a personal pledge which detailed what they wanted to achieve if they were elected. Pledges such as “I pledge to help those without a voice and those afraid to speak out” by Ben in Year 11 and “I pledge to make sure every student has a healthy lifestyle and is happy in school” by Hannah in Year 8.

172 students applied. Ballot papers were created and polling stations set up before students voted for whom they wanted elected within the Student Parliament.

The results were counted and verified and we are proud to announce that our elected prefects are:



Student Parliament Departments				
Communication	Community	Education	Environment	Health
Joe	Holly	Lucy	Olivia	Jack
Colm	Emily	Darina	Harvey	Jervaise
Sameer	Jacob	Tammy	Leon	Rebecca
Samuel	Liberty	Ellie	Ben	Jolie-May
Amelia	Izzy	Charlie	Hamza	William
Jessica	Alisha	Callum	Ashton	Eleanor
Lucy	Nathaniel	Dawhud	Josh	Hannah
Shante	Kody	Jamie	Madeline	Alexis
Rhys	Tatu	Ashley	Danial	Ella
Vidhika	Jessica	Phoebe	Isaac	Heath

# Prefect Inauguration at the very grand Bradford City Hall



Seven students were also selected for interview for the roles of Head and Deputy Head Boy and Girl. All students interviewed brilliantly and after a very tough decision Lucy was chosen for Deputy Head Girl, Jervais for Deputy Head Boy and Ellie was chosen for Head Girl and Sameer for Head Boy.

Finally, on the 16th December all 50 prefects were inaugurated into the Student Parliament at Bradford City Hall – a ceremony attended by Judith Cummins MP for South Bradford, the Lord Mayor of Bradford, Councillor Doreen Lee, Chair of Governors Philip Turner and Vice Chair of Governors Ruby Bhatti (OBE).



(left to right) Ruby Bhatti (OBE), Doreen Lee, Philip Turner, Judith Cummins, Helen Griffin, Ruth Hartley

# Presentation Evening

Our presentation evening this year took place for the first time in Bradford Cathedral; a truly grand setting for an important event in our calendar.

Over 150 students received awards: achievement awards for attainment and progress, and pastoral awards for students who live out the school's values of wisdom, compassion and integrity. To hand out the awards, we were delighted to welcome our Chair of Governors, Philip Turner, and also Edna Thornton, a lunchtime supervisor who had worked at BBEC for 42 years until her retirement last summer!

It was a fantastic evening, attended by so many parents, we needed extra chairs! Congratulations to all our award winners.





BBEC students have been working on a linking project with students from Grange Academy for the past three years. Many of our students have been involved and have benefitted from the experience.

The aims of the project are:

- to develop and deepen their knowledge and understanding of identity, diversity, equality and community.
- to develop skills of enquiry, critical thinking, reflection and communication.
- to develop trust, empathy, awareness and respect.
- to meet, build relationships, work together and contribute to the wider community.

It also provides opportunities for adults who work with children and young people to share good practice, increase understanding of the issues of identity and community in their districts and to broaden perspectives.

Staff from both schools and other organisations are working closely to plan activities that are based round the key questions: 'Who am I?' and 'Who are we?' which explore ideas around identity, diversity and equality. The event is supported by The Linking Network.

On 25 October, students from BBEC and Grange spent the day at Doe Park where they enjoyed activities such as water sports and abseiling.





# Low mill

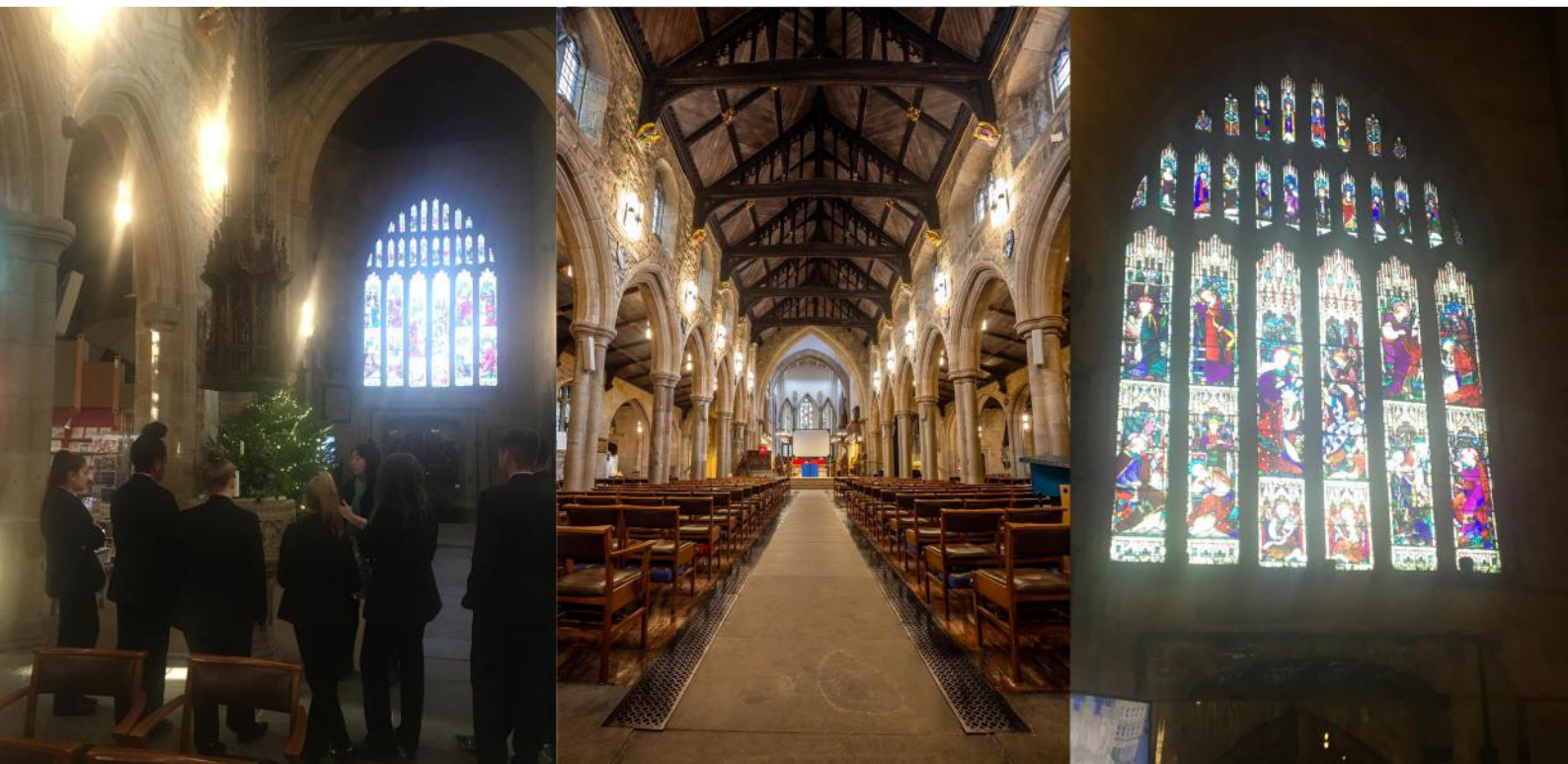
Students had a week of adventure at Low Mill Outdoor Centre in North Yorkshire. The group took part in lots of activities including bush craft, canoeing, abseiling, zip-wire and gorge walking. Congratulations to the students who all received a certificate for their outdoor achievements and team building skills.



## Year 9 visit Bradford Cathedral

As part of the school's priority to offer students new experiences and gain an appreciation of how religion, philosophy and ethics form the basis of our culture, Year 9 students have been visiting Bradford Cathedral this term. The cathedral is one of Yorkshire's hidden gems and is the oldest building in the city. Visitors are constantly surprised and uplifted by this intimate and yet inspiring place of prayer. Since the first millennium Christians have worshipped on this hillside in the centre of Bradford.

During the visits, the students undertook three activities: a tour - taking in the main features of a church and historical points of interest, a workshop on Christianity or signs and symbols in Christianity and a craft activity - such as designing a stained glass window, using the cathedral as inspiration.



# Disneyland Paris TRIP

A group of Post 16 business students attended the Annual Business Convention at Disneyland Paris in December. The convention has been running for over 20 years and gives students a real insight into how Disneyland Paris is run. They heard business leaders from different departments give live curriculum led presentations which covered many elements of the school syllabus including business studies, IT, media, travel & hospitality.

It wasn't all work, work, work though, we managed to spend a whole day enjoying the park and had a slap up evening meal at Planet Hollywood. The magical illuminations and fireworks against the backdrop of the Disney palace were a definite highlight of the trip. We were also lucky to be there for the Disney Christmas parade.



# OLD TRAFFORD VISIT



Some of our footballers were invited to attend Europa League matches at Old Trafford.

The first match, on 7 November saw us travelling over the Pennines in challenging conditions to watch Manchester United beat Partisan Belgrade 3-0.

On 12 December, we saw another victory against AZ Alkmaar. After a slow first half, four goals in eleven minutes crushed the hopes of Alkmaar and sent the reds to the top of their group in the league.

Mr Hillam came very close to missing the goal spree, still being stuck in the queue for half-time pies well into the second half!

# ASPIRATIONS Evening



A huge thank you to all our visiting exhibitors, careers experts and families who attended our Aspirations Evening in November. It was our biggest showcase yet with over 300 students plus parent/carers attending.

Over 65 local and national businesses and training providers attended, offering advice and highlighting potential career paths for our Year 10,11,12 and 13 students. We also had 11 alumni attending.

Feedback from everyone involved was excellent! See you all next year!

"Thank you for the invitation, best we have ever attended anywhere"

"Showed me how to achieve my goals"

"Great event, so positive to see so many students and parents coming along. All students were polite, focused and asked pertinent questions in a confident nature. It was a pleasure to attend"





# BRADFORD MANUFACTURING WEEKS 2019

BRADFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

**Bradford Manufacturing Week** is a unique event to showcase the district's strength and depth in manufacturing to inspire, encourage and educate young people about the opportunities for a fulfilling and rewarding manufacturing career.

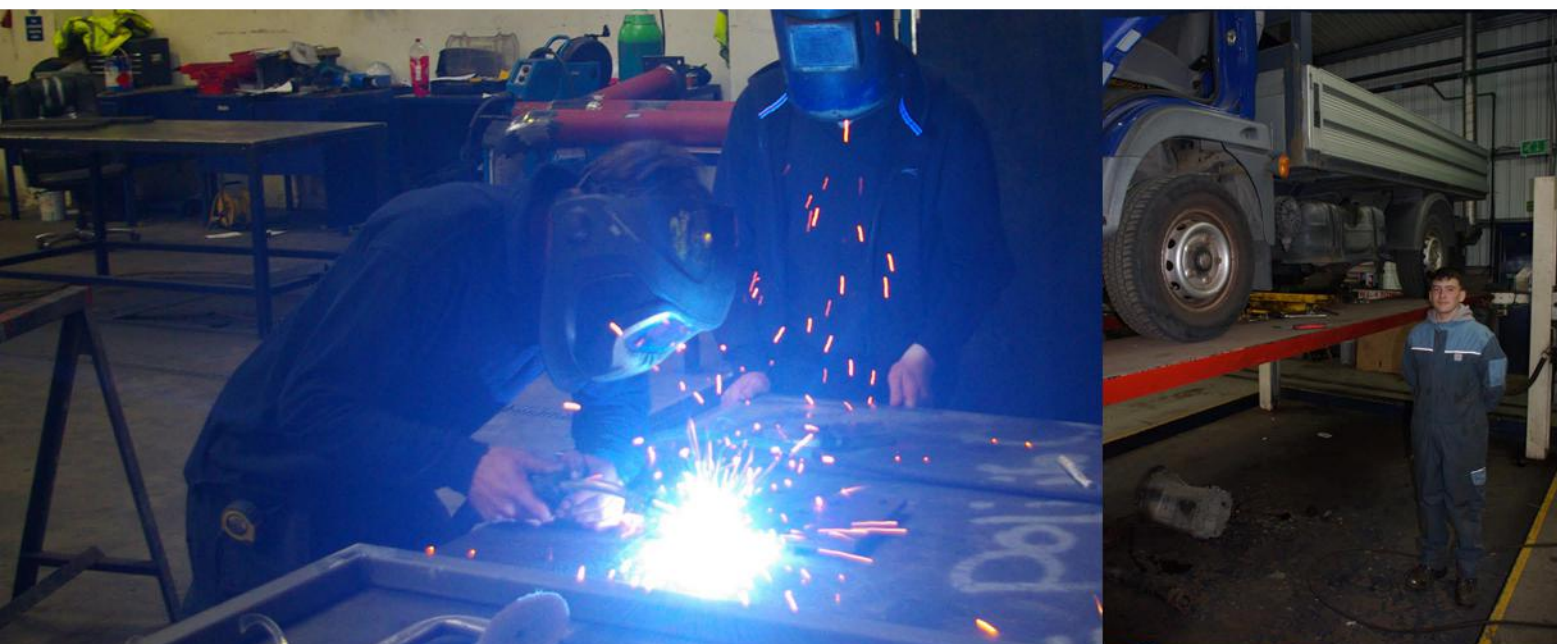
Some of our Post 16 students gained an insight into **Nufarm**, a global agricultural chemical company and **Solenis** through a 3 day work placement while Year 9 & Year 10 students visited Solenis; a leading global supplier of water treatment and process chemicals which supports customers with application insights and practical expertise. Students participated in a fabulous tour of the site and learned about many of the exciting careers available within this fast paced sector, including information about their apprenticeship programme. Solenis also very kindly attended our recent aspirations evening to inform more of our students.

Post 16 students also visited **Farmers Boy, Morrison's**. They had a tour of the facility, learned about their brilliant graduate and apprenticeship programmes and about the wide variety of careers within the company. Year 8 and year 9 students visited **Christeyns**, a prominent company in the international chemicals and detergents market. Christeyns serves customers in the industrial, laundry, lodging, food retail, food processing and health care sectors. Students learnt about the sector, toured the facility and even sat in one of their DAF trucks.



# WORK

TEAM WORKING EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS PROJECT MANAGEMENT COMMUNICATING  
**EXPERIENCE**  
DECISION MAKING  
LIAISING  
TRAINING  
CV BOOST  
CONFIDENCE  
INSPIRING EXPERIENCE INTERVIEW IDEAS RESPONSIBILITY



This year saw the reintroduction of Work Experience for Year 10 students as a vital part of their preparation for working life. Over a hundred students were placed at companies across Bradford and also as far as Wakefield and Leeds. From the wardrobe department at the Alhambra Theatre to sheet metal fabrication the range of experiences was varied and challenging. Mr Ryan established some great partnerships with Leeds College of Building and Gleeds through teaching the DEC qualification that allowed 15 students to explore working within the construction sector.

The students received some excellent feedback from the employers and were a real credit to BBEC. The Careers team would like to thank all the companies and staff involved in making this year's Work Experience placements a success and we look forward to placing even more students next year.

## Careers week - November 18th - November 22nd

During this year's careers week, Year 7 received an introduction to the CEIAG programme and Grofar, Year 8 - had a visit from Bradford College to look at skills v careers, Year 9's assembly was motivational and was delivered by Morrison's Innovation, Research & Development Manager who spoke about how he got to where he is now. One of our former students came in to speak to Year 10. Simon works at Yorkshire Building Society and shared his journey from 'Buttershaw Comp' to Director at YBS. He covered his key learnings and also emphasised what YBS looks for in its colleagues. Year 11 learnt about pathways in advance of our aspirations evening.

Post 16 students worked with Lloyds Banking Group to learn skills and 'tricks of the trade' in relation to a successful presentation. Students were asked to think about communication by having to stand in a line in alphabetical order without speaking to each other followed by date of birth order. They then thought about confidence levels, first impressions and strengths and weaknesses. It was an extremely insightful session.



STEM Academy students had the opportunity to participate in another art project linked to cycling events within the region. This built upon the previous collaboration with Councillor Russell Brown for the Tour de Yorkshire that saw the creation and decoration of a large scale Haworth sign which was included in the official Tour de Yorkshire video.

This time the students were decorating the letter B of Bradford using the colours of the Olympic rings. The B was placed with the other letters to spell Bradford on the Bradford stage of the UCI World Cycling Championships on the weekend of 28th/29th September. The races were staged across Yorkshire and Bradford was the starting city for the women's race. The UCI was televised globally and once again heralded Yorkshire as a great venue for such a prestigious sporting event.





# Charities

We have raised £700 for charity this term.

# #HelloYellow

£70 Raised!

[www.youngminds.org.uk](http://www.youngminds.org.uk)

SEND A TEXT TO: 85258

URGENT HELP: TEXT YM to 85258



On World Mental Health Day - October 2019 - we said #HelloYellow and helped raised 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.





# CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

# 2019



On Friday December 13 staff and students at BBEC wore their festive jumpers. The corridors and atrium were extremely colourful with over 300 students wearing jumpers and many others making donations.

Students donated a silver coin and all the proceeds will be split across the schools' chosen charities.

The nominated charities include: Motor Neurone Disease/Lord Mayors Appeal/Wild Hearts/Bradford Night Stop and Save the Children.





# CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

2019



£63.03 Raised



Children in Need provides grants to projects in the UK which focus on children and young people who are disadvantaged. They are local to people in all corners of the UK and support small and large organisations which empower children and extend their life choices.

They are currently supporting 2,400 projects all across the UK. The projects they fund help children facing a range of disadvantages, for example poverty and deprivation; children who have been the victims of abuse or neglect or disabled young people.

We asked students and staff to wear something yellow to support the appeal this year. We also held a bucket collection and asked for donations of silver coins - we raised £64.03. Thank you to all those who donated.



We raised an amazing £166 at our McMillan Coffee Morning - thank you to all the staff and students who came along for a cuppa and a slice of cake (or two).

# Senior Citizen's Christmas Meal

We were delighted to invite older members of the community to BBEC on 11 December. This year we also opened up the guest list to grandparents of students who had nominated them for a 'Golden Ticket'. We had a fantastic evening beginning with a carol concert led by the school choir. There was a game of prize Bingo with lots of winners and then a beautiful Christmas dinner which had been prepared by our catering staff. Thank you very much to Asda, Cemetery Road, for their kind donation towards the event.



THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION  
**POPPY APPEAL**



The school remembered those who have fought to preserve our way of life through remembrance assemblies during the week of the 11th November.

The school observed a two-minute silence at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, and in assemblies, we remembered not only those heroes who fought and served during wars and conflicts, but also those who work in our emergency services who often have to run towards danger rather than flee from it.

Every student wrote a reflection or message on their own poppy, all of which are now displayed in the atrium.



On the 14th of July 2019, I went to go and see Bradford City play against Liverpool. Many people came and enjoyed themselves, but one thing was holding me back from enjoying myself as much as others around me-Motor Neurone Disease.

Motor Neurone Disease is a disease that 1 in 300 people get. Former Bradford City captain Stephen Darby was recently diagnosed with MND. He is only 31 years old. He now lives with MND, which is eventually fatal. It can also significantly reduce your life expectancy.

MND is caused by a problem with the cells, in the brain and nerves, called motor neurones. These cells gradually stop working over time. It is unknown why this happens. Stephen Darby played for Bradford City in over 200 matches, and captained the team for two seasons. He has even played for England under 19s. He has now been forced to retire after being diagnosed. Recently, a former Rangers player Fernando Ricksen has died from the same disease as Stephen Darby. He joined Rangers for £3.75 million, but he too was forced to retire in 2013 after being diagnosed with MND.

When you have MND, life becomes progressively harder making each simple task a lot harder. Moving around, swallowing and breathing become increasingly difficult, and treatments such as a feeding tube, or even breathing through a face mask may be needed. A few people live with MND for years, or even decades, but most people die within the first five years of having Motor Neurone Disease.

My goal is, with your help, to hopefully raise enough money to help find a cure for MND.

We hosted a charity day at BBEC, to help to raise some money on the 2nd December 2019. On the day, there were things for the students to be involved in, such as :

- Bucket collections (silver coins)
- Badges were sold (can be bought with a silver coin)
- Poster Competition
- Bake Sale
- Blue accessories

There was also be an auction for a Bradford City signed football. We are continuing our fund raising right up to Christmas.

We were proud to see that ex-student and Bradford Bulls scholar Lewis Camden was selected for the English talent rugby league squad in the summer.

He played against Wales on 31 August. England were victorious with Lewis being named man of the match. His mum contacted us at the school to let us know and to pass on her thanks to all the staff who worked with Lewis while he was at BBEC, particularly the PE department for supporting his talents and never giving up on him.

We look forward to seeing more of Lewis' successes.



One of our Year 10 students was successful in his application for the Yorkshire Water Industrial Cadets programme.

He attended a course at Yorkshire Water over the course of a week and received accreditation for his efforts gaining a silver level certificate. As part of the activities over the week he:

- visited Headingley Water Treatment Works
- completed conservation work at Tophill Low Nature Reserve
- visited The Deep and learnt about the impact on flooding on Hull
- took part in a fundraising activity for WaterAid helping to raise £158
- contributed to a project on water conservation and communication covering key Yorkshire Water themes.

Well done to Jamie.