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Our newly elected
year 11 prefects. See
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information.



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Message from the Head

Welcome to this edition of the BBEC Buzz. The school continues to be as vibrant as ever, with a clear focus on final preparation for GCSE and A level exams in a few weeks time. Our Year 11 and 13 students are working incredibly hard – I am sure this will lead to success in the summer.

The school and students have enjoyed success in lots of areas – science and maths competitions, sports, and we were delighted to induct eighty students into our academies two weeks ago.

Richard Humphreys

Thank you to all parents and carers who offer the children such invaluable support.

BBEC STAFF FOOD BANK

Staff from BBEC have created a link with a local food bank scheme run by Buttershaw St Paul's.

Staff have been bringing in hundreds of food items to help support the cause.

The food bank is used regularly by many families and elderly residents within the local communities. It's been a real team effort.



ONE BRADFORD - ONE BAND

Over the course of the last term, eight BBEC students have been taking part in an exciting music project. The BBC Ten Pieces initiative aims to open up the world of classical music to a new generation of students and inspire them to develop their own creative responses to music through a range of art forms.

The project has been an ongoing collaboration between BBEC, Bradford Music service and Belle Vue Girls' School.



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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BBEC PREFECTS

Democracy is pivotal to life in modern Britain, therefore during January we held a whole school election to appoint prefects from Year 7-11, providing our students the exciting opportunity to vote.

Students received a ballot paper and queued patiently to cast their vote to elect their year group prefects. The candidates were selected based upon their achievement points and attendance, indicating that they consistently make the right choices. In Year 10 and Year 11 additional votes were cast to elect Deputy Head Boy/Girl and Head Boy and Girl respectively. However in Year 11 we had a tie! Therefore we have two Head Girls!

Since the election our prefects have been busy at work meeting and suggesting ways to improve the school environment which our Head Boy and Girl(s) will put to Governors on March 26th. Alongside this ten of our prefects have committed to stamp out bullying at BBEC by completing and being awarded the Diana Anti-Bullying Award on 6th March. Already we are in the process of setting up a peer drop in centre where students can discuss any bullying concerns with their peers, each form has created an anti-bullying pledge and our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors are due to run a staff CPD session after school on Wednesday 21st March to share what they have learned.

We are exceptionally proud of the positive steps our students are making to improve our school environment.





BBEC BORMIO SKI TRIP 2018

In February 2018 40 students and six staff embarked on a monstrous 29 hour bus ride, passing through five different countries for our first ski trip in over seven years. Backs ached, legs were squashed and sleep was patchy at best. It was TOTALLY worth it.

When we began to see our first snow capped mountains the buzz around the bus grew as students stared out of the window. Then after travelling up the hill for ten miles through the Strada Del Passo Dello Stelvio (or 'long tunnel' to us Yorkshire folk) the buzz rose even further as we emerged to snow pouring from the sky!

Finally we arrived at our hotel which overlooked the main World Cup ski run down the mountain. From our windows and balconies you could see skiers skiing down the mountain with amazing skill and speed. This time the next day that would be us (at least in our minds with the same amount of skill and speed). The buzz kept growing, the bus journey long forgotten.

Our first day on the mountain saw glorious sunshine. With boots fitted and skis collected we looked around at the amazing scenery and the winding ski slopes we were about to face.

Each ski group had their own professional instructor who catered for its ability and development throughout the week. The base for the skiing was Bormio 2000 - a gondola ride from the base of the town to 2000m above sea level. There were restaurants, shops and ski slopes in every direction.

There were a variety of lifts taking us everywhere on the mountain. Each day we progressed more and more, exploring and discovering new areas to ski down. There were many long, wide, winding slopes which got progressively more challenging as we become more adept. By the end of the week all students had travelled up to 3000m and skied down to the village. This journey of continuous skiing winds down the mountain across vast open pistes at the top from where you could see for miles across the mountain ranges, to winding narrow pistes through trees (and occasionally off piste) near the bottom. It covered 11km and was truly one of the best and most exciting experiences money can buy.

After a very tiring and rewarding week, the long journey home began, only this journey was much easier. People chatted about the experiences they had and slept like there was no tomorrow. 29 hours on a bus....totally worth it.





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National Science Week has been celebrated across the BDAT schools and by our brilliant students at BBEC. There have been many highlights, though possibly the most notable was the science staff delivering assemblies based on a theme of "Awe and Wonder" and these have been thoroughly enjoyed by students from Year 7 to 11. As co-ordinator of the events, I had the very tough decision of awarding the "Best Assembly" prize and the trophy that accompanied it went to Mr Scotcher - who blew us up and away with his "Hydrogen" theme.

The STEM Academy, led by Mr A Hussain, also delivered an engaging renewable energy workshop to every Year 7 student. The whole week began with our Key Stage 4 science team winning the BDAT Science Competition at Immanuel College and our Key Stage 3 science team coming a very close second.

In the sad week that we lost Professor Stephen Hawking it was fantastic to see so many of our students taking up the science mantle. We are already looking forward to next year.

Mr. J. Ryan
Assistant Headteacher (Student Experience)



ANTI-BULLYING —AMBASSADOR TRAINING



On the 6th March, ten of our newly elected prefects from Year 7-10 attended a training session to become Anti-Bullying Ambassadors which was run by the Diana Award at Samuel Lister Academy.

Students engaged with other schools across Bradford to develop strategies to identify and tackle different types of bullying. The students were a credit to school and are looking forward to implementing their strategies and further developing a positive anti-bullying culture at BBEC.



STOP
BULLYING
STAND UP. SPEAK OUT.



SPORT RELIEF 1 Mile Challenge

In the week commencing 30th April, all BBEC students will be taking part in the Sport Relief 2018 One Mile Challenge.

Every student will aim to complete a mile during their PE lesson that week.

The school is collectively aiming for a target of 500 miles.

RANDOM ACTS of KINDNESS

In the week commencing April 23rd, all BBEC students are taking part in the 'Random Acts Of Kindness' challenge. Every student will be inspired to do three good deeds during the week. We want to encourage our staff and students to be good to one another. The deeds could be as simple as helping a teacher with a bag, helping an elderly person with their shopping or just doing something nice for a friend.

“ Kindness is putting something good back into the world.”

- RAKtivist

“Kind words can be short and easy to speak but their echoes are truly endless.”

- Mother Teresa



“ Real integrity is doing the right thing, knowing that nobody's going to know whether you did it or not.”

- Oprah Winfrey



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BBEC'S GOT TALENT

All across the region, for the month of May, bands, choirs, orchestras and soloists will be performing and raising money to care for seriously ill children in their local community.

As a big supporter of Martin House BBEC is keen to get involved in this amazing initiative and the school has organised a concert to help raise money for this worthy cause.

On 23rd May 2018, we are excited to announce 'BBEC's got Talent'. This will be an amazing spectacle showcasing the best talent BBEC has to offer.

Audition dates will be announced
after the Easter break.



Martin House Children's Hospice

Martin House provides family-led care for children and young people with life-limiting conditions. We support around 450 families from across West, North and East Yorkshire, both at our hospice in Boston Spa and in the community each year, and offer bereavement support to over 150 families.



During Period 3 all BBEC students will be taking part in an art and poetry competition for a very worthy cause. Students will aim to create positive and inspirational works of art for the 'Hospital Hotel'.

The successful students will have the honour of having their work printed on canvas and displayed at the 'Hospital Hotel' in Leeds.

The aim is to raise the spirits of patients who may have a tough time ahead of them. The artwork will also help to create an uplifting atmosphere for visitors to the centre.

Staff will also be donating to a food bank drive next month asking for tea/coffee and biscuits which will be donated to Cancer Support Yorkshire.





PwC visited BBEC to offer some invaluable career advice to our post 16 students. Many thanks also to PwC for their generosity in very kindly agreeing to donate £250 towards library books facilitating ongoing developments in our literacy programmes here at BBEC.



Year 7 road safety workshop, theatre group 'The Riot Act' presented a thought provoking session to engage all students on the importance of road safety.



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C l o t h i n g B a n k

ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH WE ARE ASKING STAFF AND STUDENTS TO KINDLY DONATE ANY UNWANTED CLOTHES.

THE CLOTHES WILL BE DONATED TO THE 'BRADFORD SOUP RUN' WHO WILL DISTRIBUTE THE CLOTHES TO HOMELESS BRADFORD RESIDENTS.

PLEASE SEE MR THEAKSTON/MR ZDANOWICZ FOR MORE DETAILS.



**THE
BRADFORD
SOUP
RUN™**

Penalty shootout competition

CAN YOU BEAT MR FOX IN THE BOX?

30th April - 4th May

STEP UP
FOR **SPORT RELIEF**



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Prizes Available