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Message from the Head of School

We are proud to present the second autumn term edition of BBEC Buzz. You can see from the many and varied activities that BBEC is a vibrant place to be. I am always very impressed with the enthusiasm and skill that our students bring to our showcase events, but also their thoughtfulness, respect and maturity when responding to serious occasions like our Remembrance Day assemblies, Show Racism the Red Card day, our charity fund raisers and out of school visits. Year 11 have also responded really well to the rigours of their mock exams – we eagerly await the results.

During this half-term students have campaigned to become a prefect; all students have voted (just as if it was an election) and 100 students now form the prefect body. Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl interviews were held and last week Bradley, Aimee-Lee, Ben and Liberty took up their positions.

The badge strategy continues to have an effect and there have never been so many students with 100% attendance or excellent conduct. Rewards have included free-chip Friday, cookies and this week students are taking part in a tombola event.

Last week we all enjoyed the BBEC pantomime. It was a spectacular and hilarious way to finish the term! I hope you enjoy reading all about the events of this half-term, too many to mention here. I wish you all a happy and restful Christmas break and a prosperous 2019.

Ruth Hartley
Head of 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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— Sarah Brookes —

On 21 November, we said goodbye to a well-loved and highly valued ex-member of staff. Sarah Brookes worked at the school as a progress support leader in our maths department for five years.

Sarah threw herself into school life from day one, coming into school early to enable students to use the sports facilities before school and arranging sporting activities for staff after school every week. She quickly identified the need for the school to have a member of staff trained to support young carers and took on that responsibility. As well as supporting in the maths department, Sarah was also passionate about working with our students in the foundation learning department. She was a member of staff who always went over and above the call of duty to look after our more vulnerable students.

Sarah was diagnosed with skin cancer in October 2016. She continued to work whenever she was well enough. She retired due to ill health in May this year and still came into school as a volunteer, being especially keen to support with transition.

Sadly, she lost her fight on 27 October, leaving behind her beloved husband and two children. It is testament to her character that so many of the students from her form group as well as current and former staff attended her funeral.

Our thoughts remain with her family.



ELECTION FEVER

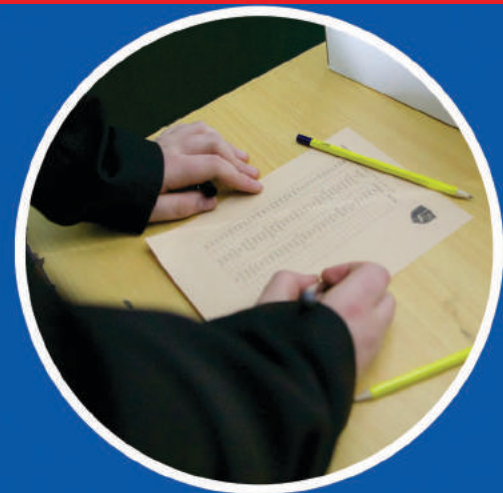


BBEC students have enjoyed their chance to experience democracy in action. The past three weeks have seen students being nominated for school prefect and a place on the BBEC school council.

Then followed a week of campaigning and the final week of voting. Over 1400 votes resulted in the election of 100 prefects from Year 7 to Year 11.

Many students have campaigned on very strong agendas and campaigned in assemblies and convinced fellow students to vote for them, which has been a tremendous opportunity for them to develop confidence and resilience.

There is much more about prefects and school council on the BBEC website.



**VOTE
NOW**

100 Prefects



Aimee-Leigh

Bradley

The achievement of becoming a prefect has been very challenging, with many having to win initial support from their form groups and finally win representation from their entire year group, all of whom voted in the elections. Every prefect now has the important role of representing the voices of fellow students on the BBEC School Council. All prefects have also chosen to become involved in many areas of school life, for example, charities, rewards, growth mindset, the library, University Passport and helping fellow students. They will all become important role models in school.

From Year 10 and Year 11 respectively we have also appointed Deputy Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy and Head Boy and Head Girl. There were many prefects applying for these coveted positions and these students completed a daunting selection process, beginning with a presentation to the senior leadership team and then, those progressing further, having a final interview with the Head of School, Ms Hartley, and our Chair of Governors, Philip Turner. Our students were incredibly impressive and showed remarkable levels of intellect, confidence, maturity and ambition, which made the final choices for the positions very difficult. However, we are pleased to announce that the students appointed were:

Head Boy - Bradley

Head Girl - Aimee-Leigh

Deputy Head Boy - Ben

Deputy Head Girl - Liberty

We are very proud of these students for stepping forward and taking the opportunity to lead BBEC towards becoming the best school in Bradford.



ASPIRATIONS

Evening 2018

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.

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"



Junior Presentation Evening



Our junior presentation evening was held at school on Wednesday 21st November; it was a fantastic evening and we were privileged to be able to celebrate the achievements of so many students from last year's Years 7, 8 and 9. There was standing room only as proud parents and families watched their children receive subject prizes, academy awards and rising stars awards.

Three special awards were also presented:

The David Morgan Award (for participation and contribution to school) was presented to Jacob, the Dr Ian Palmer STEM award to Erin, and the Connor Lancaster Award (which recognises students who have engaged in charitable projects) was presented to Emelia. Entertainment was provided by our outstanding Performing Arts Academy students and Sophie Ingham from Year 11 with her rendition of Alive by Sia.

Thank you to all involved for making this a very special evening!



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 just over £100!





Our welfare team have been collecting donations of food and treats to make up Christmas hampers to be sent to a local food bank.

Thank you to all the staff who have donated items - it makes a huge difference to those who need it, especially at this time of year.

Ski Trip Morrison's bag pack

Students going on the Bormio ski trip were encouraged to complete some fundraising to help with the cost of their trip, which they could use towards equipment hire, ski lessons, spending money or just to help fund their trip.

A group of students across all year groups gave up their time across two Sundays in October to complete a bag pack at Morrison's. This was totally optional however they powered through getting up on a Sunday to actually 'go to work'. They worked extremely hard from 10:30-4pm and, even though their legs were tired, they battled through and saw the end goal.

Altogether, they raised a whopping £1417.68 which will be split between all who took part.

Comments were made by the general public about the politeness of our students and they were a true credit to the school.

Thanks to all the members of staff who also gave up their time and to Morrison's who allowed us to take over and make this happen.

Roll on Bormio 2019!



show racism
the red card

Show Racism the Red Card



Friday 19 October 2018 was 'Wear Red Day', which is a national day of action that encourages schools, businesses and individuals to wear red and donate to help facilitate the delivery of anti-racism education for young people and adults throughout England, Scotland and Wales. All BBEC students received a red card to wear in their top blazer pocket in support of this event. All students also took part in a session which explained why this event was so important and why racism will not be tolerated at BBEC, or within the wider world.

More information is available at www.theredcard.org



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WE REMEMBER



The school commemorated the centenary of the Armistice and the end of World War 1 with a remembrance assembly for all year groups; students were reminded of the terrible sacrifice of so many people in both world wars, and why countries went to war.

All students were extremely respectful and planted a cross at the front of the school with their own personal message as an act of remembrance.

Nation Men - A poem by Rhys Tiffany

On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month the guns fell silent.

Peace had returned to its rightful dominance,

Heart of the earth once more.

After years of conflict, stress and loss, Europe felt no defeat at all,

For those who lived cried for those who didn't, we stood proud and tall,

As the war wasn't won with bombs and guns but those who served our nation,

Every year we wear our poppy with pride; a token of our appreciation.



WE REMEMBER



A CHRISTMAS CAROL

On the morning of Monday the 26th November, Year 8 watched an exhilarating performance of A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens. It was performed by three wonderful actors from the manACTco theatre group. The actors took care to capture the plot, using no more than some simple props, with each playing a few different characters. At the end the pupils had a question and answer session and the feedback for every question was great, with lots of advice for aspiring actors. We wish them all the best and invite them to come back soon!



During November, Theatre group 'The Riot Act' presented a very thought provoking production and workshop highlighting the importance of road safety. Students were thoroughly engaged throughout the performance and took part in an engaging question and answer session.

Our Christmas Pantomime 'Aladdin'



Our 2018 Christmas pantomime production of 'Aladdin' was a phenomenal success.

The pantomime has become an annual tradition at BBEC and staff and students did a wonderful job entertaining a sell out 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'.



BRADFORD MANUFACTURING WEEK 2018

BRADFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



We were delighted to take part in the first ever Bradford Manufacturing Week. BMW18 was organised to provide students with an insight into the variety of exciting career opportunities available in the manufacturing industry. Over 75 businesses from within the Bradford and Keighley District opened their doors to students from years 9-13.

The following businesses hosted visits from BBEC students: BASF, Morrisons, Gordon Rhodes and Sons, Stanley Mills Weavers and Carnaud Metalbox Engineering. Most of these subsequently attended our aspirations evening and are supporting work experience placements next year.

Thank you to everyone who helped to make it a success.



CHESTER ZOO

A trip full of psychological investigation at Chester Zoo

Our intrepid band of 6th form psychologists ventured into the wild world of Chester Zoo in October to investigate attachment behaviours in primates and other mammals which is an element of their child development module. Research methods and data analysis runs throughout the psychology A level.

After being framed into heading the trip.....

Ms Rodgers and Mrs Rhys-Hill had their own encounters with some distant cousins.

Here's what one of our 6th formers had to say about their research adventure:

'When we went to the zoo, we carried out psychological studies on different animals. My group observed monkeys and giraffes. The study we conducted mirrored those of Shaffer, Ainsworth and Harlow's research on attachment. By being able to conduct the study ourselves, it gave us a better idea as to how Harlow and others gained their information and the studies we learnt about.'

Hollie, Budding Counselling Psychologist

Here's what Year 12, chimp chaser and researcher in the making has to say.....

"Year 12 and 13 Psychology students from our sixth form were rewarded by a trip to Chester Zoo in order to take part in an observation into the behaviour of animals in relation to their parents. They spent a few hours of closely monitoring the monkeys before moving onto the next mammal for comparison. Students picked animals such as elephants and rhinos and conducted the same method to observe and record behaviour in their groups. After hours of dedication, patience and hard work they were finally able to explore the zoo freely. The coach set off at 9am returned to school approximately 5pm. Everyone emphasised how truly amazing and overwhelming the experience of approaching animals was to them. Findings from the trip to Chester Zoo were then acted upon and further researched into work for the next few lessons. The whole concept was useful to students understanding behaviour." Fiza



Six students from Bridge (the school's alternative provision facility) were invited to attend a programme led by West Yorkshire Fire Brigade at Fairweather Green fire station.

The students took part in a range of team building activities and anti-social behaviour workshops. Kian, one of our students, was a natural team leader and really responded to the firefighters.

They all engaged in the programme and thoroughly enjoyed the day.

The firefighters said "They were a great bunch! It was a pleasure having them"



STEM ACADEMY



Science • Technology • Engineering • Maths

SCIENCE+ MEDIA MUSEUM

On 8 November, a group of Year 9 students attended an engineering event at the Science and Media Museum. The students undertook various challenges; the first one was simulating a cargo drop to a disaster area by devising a method for a small bag of lentils to arrive safely on the island following a 3 metre drop without breaking open. The students had a budget of £25 for materials such as sponge, card and string. Our boys' team won the drop, and spent the least money, and the girls won the prize for the best design.

The second challenge was a design and build drag car race. Our girls' team won this challenge by building the car that went the furthest.

Our students really enjoyed the day and were great ambassadors for the school.



Thank
YOU



Teaching Personnel are one of the school's main providers of supply staff and we have worked with them for many years. They kindly offered to sponsor a football kit and in October we took delivery of our brand new kit for our Year 11 boys' team.

Thank you very much to Christian Walshe of Teaching Personnel who is pictured here with Mr Ward.

Roller
Sticks

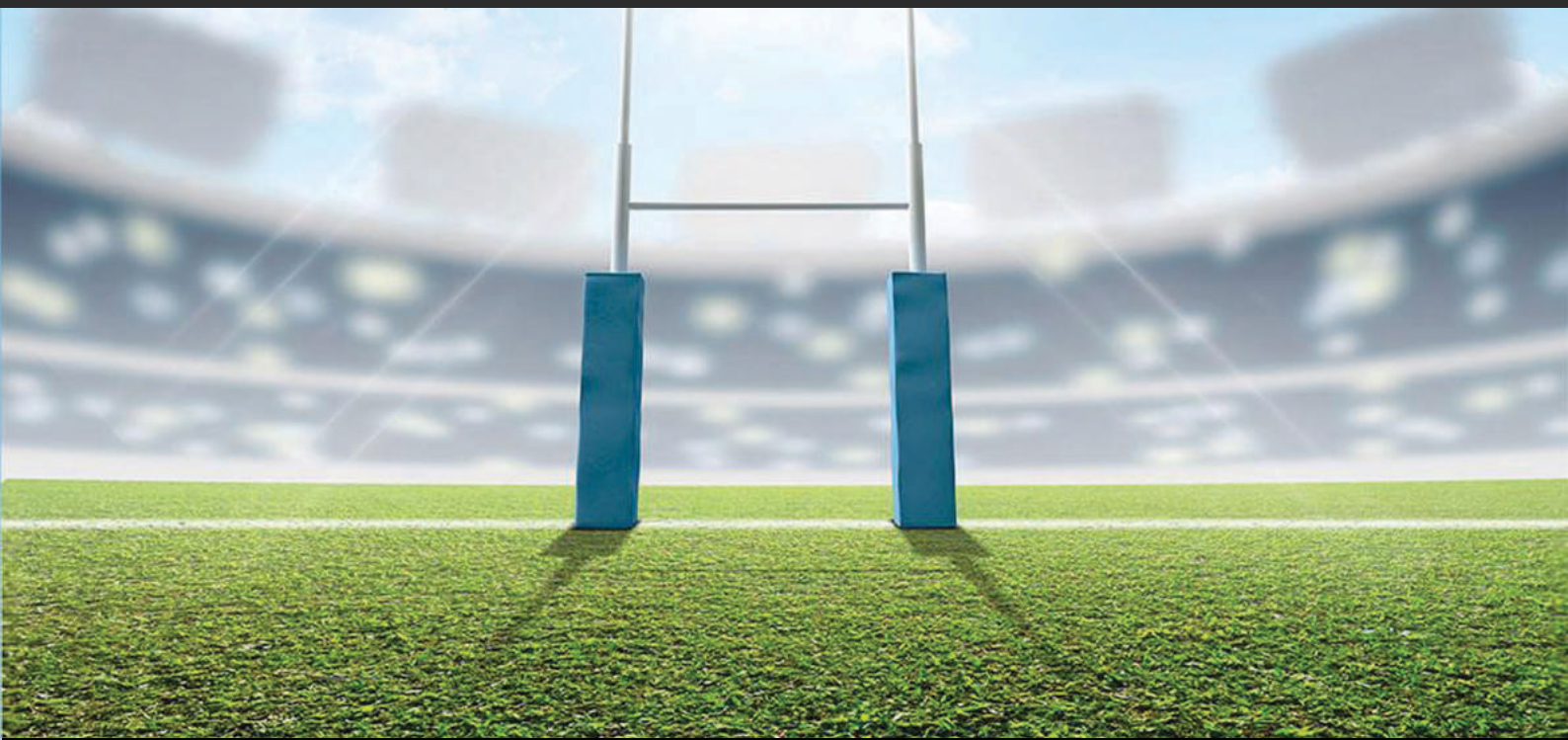


Four members of the Sports Academy volunteered to help out at a roller-sticks primary school festival.

Three schools from the local area attended the hotly contested tournament, with students from Buttershaw officiating each fixture. Woodside Academy came out on top in this innovative sport.

Each member of the Sports Academy represented the school fantastically, receiving high praise from each member of staff in attendance.

Year 7



The Year 7 rugby team attended their first ever tournament, which took place at Beckfoot Thornton. Our first fixture was against the host team, so we knew it would be a challenge to get any kind of result. To the surprise of the team, we finished as comfortable winners, with a 4-2 score line thanks to some forward thinking play from Harry Smith to quickly scoot from acting half and place the ball down for a couple of tries.

Other notable fixtures included Laisterdyke. Carl Norman managed to show tenacity in defence, which prevented our opponents from taking an early lead. Twice we went ahead, courtesy of strong carries from Cody Birkett and Joshua Field (the metre eaters). Joshua Keegan managed to find his scoring boots and turned on the after-burners, which ensured no player was within 10m as he placed the ball down. The resilience of our opponents was testament to them, as they twice pegged us back, however a last minute solo effort from Man of the Match Harry Smith ensured we took a narrow victory.

The most notable game of the evening was between the two undefeated schools, Queensbury and us. For the first time this evening, we went behind immediately after the kick off. Despite the early set back, we rallied, having to defend our line with real venom to ensure we did not fall further behind. We thought we had drawn level, as Joshua Orimogunje went half the length of the field and into the corner. A contentious decision from the referee meant we were still losing at half-time.

With nothing to lose, we threw everything we had at Queensbury, drawing level through Harry Smith who had the opposition searching for loose change as he sold them the dummy. Once again it came down to the dying moments of the game, when Harry picked up the ball and found his way into the corner for the winning try. Cue celebrations! - Match report by Rhys

The year 9 basketball team put in some excellent performances to reach the Bradford finals. Their record in the tournament was won 14 - lost 1.

Tournament MVP (Most Valuable Player) went to Jervais

Other players included:

Joe, Deshawn, Malachi, Jarelle, Connor, Tyler, Kyle, Ewan. Coach: Adam.



GIRLS' FOOTBALL

We have had a fantastic start to the girls' football season. The Under 16s are still unbeaten and won BBEC's 5th consecutive Under 16 Bradford Schools League title. The girls scored an impressive 24 goals in seven games, conceding only two goals and keeping five clean sheets.

Under 16s results in full:

BBEC 3-0 Grange
Immanuel 0 - 3 BBEC
Thornton 0 - 5 BBEC
Queensbury 1 - 1 BBEC
BBEC 6 - 1 Oakbank
BBEC 3 - 0 St Josephs
BBEC 3 - 0 Hanson

The Under 13s smashed the EFL qualifier, again unbeaten in eight matches, scoring 31 goals and conceding only one. The girls will now go on to represent Bradford City in the Regional Finals next month.