A Word from the Head Teacher

I am delighted by the professionalism shown by our students as they sit their exams and it is great to see them so upbeat throughout this pressured time.

Support at home is vital to our student’s progress and particularly during exam season so I would like to thank all parents/carers for their continued support.

I hope all our students enjoy a well-earned rest next week and look forward to seeing you all again in June.

Mr Luke Weston
Headteacher

4LC Emotional Wellbeing Cafes

Our friends at Eldwick Primary, Saltaire Primary and the 4LC are running a series of Emotional Wellbeing Cafes which they have invited our parents/carers to attend.

There are 4 sessions running through June based on subjects like self-esteem, self-care, confidence building and self identity.

The cafe sessions are free to attend but they ask for donations to the charity Heads Together for refreshments. Reserve your place by emailing: j.rosano@eldwick.bradford.sch.uk

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4LC Emotional Wellbeing Cafes

YOUR emotional health is important too.

Building Bridges are holding emotional wellbeing cafes and you’re invited! *Bring a friend, grab a cuppa and take some time for you!*

Join Building Bridges for relaxed and fun cafes that will help you build on your own emotional wellbeing.

Come along to just one cafe or come to them all - different topics will be covered at each and you are welcome to attend any venue!

So that there’s plenty of refreshments (& cake) to go around, reserve your place now. Donations for refreshments will be collected for the Heads Together charity/partner charities.
email j.rosano@eldwick.bradford.sch.uk

Go on, take care of yourself & your emotional health!

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Refreshments & Cake provided for a donation to Heads Together!
The Archbishop of York Young Leaders Award

Our Archbishop of York Award group have been busy ‘being the change they want to see’ by working on several different projects recently.

The group has taken part in a community litterpick with Bingley Town Councillors, Cllr John Goode and Cllr Edwina Simpson in Bingley Cemetery. The group spent an afternoon collecting and removing 20 bags of litter from the cemetery and surrounding area.

The Councillors were impressed with our hardworking students and Councillor Simpson emailed Miss Shah to thank the group for their help.

On Monday this week, the group painted pottery with the residents of Cottingley Hall care home. This was part of their voluntary challenge for their award which focuses on serving others. Prior to the event, the students raised enough money (through several bake sales in school) for 15 plates and paints, provided by Firefly Pottery in Leeds, and spent the afternoon chatting and painting pottery with the residents.

Miss Shah said, “I am so proud of all my students as they worked really hard to raise the money to pay for the pottery for the residents. It was heart-warming to see the residents and students painting and chatting with each other.”

The students were extremely moved by the experience - here are some of their thoughts:

“The experience with the elderly residents was really good! One of the very few things that I found slightly uncomfortable was approaching the elderly people but as soon as I did, they were welcoming, friendly, funny and sweet. I felt a sense of pride and had a good conscience.”

Ella Reynolds, Year 8

“I believe I have gained a lot of things from this trip like confidence and talking skills. I was very nervous at first but soon settled in with the help of Miss Shah. I enjoyed it thoroughly.”

Reuben, Year 7

“The woman who I was helping was so polite and pleasant. Her name was Barbara. I LOVED working with her and it warmed my heart when she said that she’ll ‘TREASURE’ the plate that we made together.”

Maimunah, Year 8

“I enjoyed the experience because it was something new and it was very relaxing, sociable and very fun. The elderly people were very kind and they were very easy to work with. I think it made the elderly people feel loved and more cared for.”

Zara, Year 8

“Personally I found that the care home was a positive new experience as I got to socialise with the older generation whilst painting the pottery. I enjoyed talking to different people with their different backgrounds and stories.”

Finlay McGurk
Yr 9 Brilliant Club Graduates at the University of Leeds

Our Yr 9 Brilliant Club students attended their graduation on Saturday (13th May) at the University of Leeds.

Mrs Williams attended the graduation ceremony and said, “It was an honour to attend the event on Saturday. I really enjoyed seeing some of our students with their families and being congratulated receiving their certificates. Everyone has worked really hard during the sessions and whilst producing their final assignments. It was a great day and our students should feel very proud of their achievements.”

The students have been working in four small groups, two specialising in STEM studying ‘From lab to consumer: how complex particulate products are designed’ with PhD tutor Laura Elliott and two specialising in Arts & Humanities studying ‘Turn up the music - Psychological perspectives on music in everyday life’ with PhD tutor Claire Castle.

Overall the students did extremely well with four students receiving a 1st, seven students receiving a 2:1, six students receiving a 2.2 and six receiving a 3rd.

PhD tutor Laura Elliott said, “It has been an absolute pleasure to teach these students and I hope they have enjoyed this opportunity as much as I have. The students have shown fantastic resilience, enthusiasm, and interest towards every lesson, continuously asking questions. I hope all the students have found confidence in their academic skills, and go on to be fantastic GCSE, A level and university students. As a reminder to everyone, it is not about the grades you have received for your final assignment, take away the experiences that you have gained which are unique and an insight into university style teaching and put these into practice.”

PhD tutor Claire Castle said, “The highlights for me were:
- getting to know everyone’s personalities and seeing some of the quieter individuals coming out of their shell a little bit each week.
- Reading through the final assignments and knowing that everyone had gained so much knowledge over the course of the tutorials on a research area which they might never have even heard about without the Brilliant Club
- Teaching my first ever tutorials with a group of funny, engaged and intelligent individuals”

Our students said:
“I found it interesting, inspirational and very good fun”

“I enjoyed learning more about music as I love music, and the graduation was fun!”

“It was really good. The student ambassadors and Brilliant Club staff were very helpful plus thanks for the free food!”

“An excellent insight into university life and options available to students in future years. My daughter has enjoyed the experience”

Parent
Spanish Pen Friends

Señorita Goulding’s 8b/Sp1 Spanish students have taken part in an exciting pilot ‘pen friend’ project.

The class have been paired up with one (and sometimes two!) Spanish students who are studying English in a bilingual school near Madrid. The group spent a lesson writing letters to introduce themselves to their new friends - all in Spanish!

There was much excitement when the students received their first set of replies. Their Spanish pen pals have written back in English and even given the group suggestions on how to improve their Spanish. They introduced themselves and spoke about their interests, families, daily routine and even their opinions on Justin Bieber!

Señorita Goulding said, “We are all very excited about this new project as it allows us the opportunity to both practice our Spanish writing (in a very similar format to the new GCSE writing exams) and at the same time learn about other cultures in the Hispanic speaking world.”

If the project continues to be successful Señorita Goulding hopes to be able to roll it out to the other Year 8 classes and continue building cross-cultural relationships that we hope will last a lifetime.

The Spanish School, Learn & Play Madrid put a message on Facebook when they received our students Bronze Duke of Edinburgh

At the beginning of the month our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh students headed out on their training expedition.

58 students took part in the walk from School to Ilkley over the moor and back again with an overnight camp at Nell Bank.

The group was mainly Year 10 students who were joined by some Year 12 students doing their Bronze Award alongside their BTEC Sports Studies course.

Thankfully, unlike last year the weather was fine and although cold, there were no issues. All teams showed a high level of competence with some superb meals cooked on their stoves on Saturday night. The pupils should be commended on their high level of map reading, organisation and general resilience (when the blisters and sore legs set in on Sunday).

Well done to all participants and thank you to the staff who gave up their time to support the group. The qualifying expedition will take place on the weekend of 8th July.

Year 9 students will be invited to an assembly at the end of this school year to learn more about the DoE scheme. They will then be able to enroll in the Award from the start of September. The Award is open to all students and there is no selection process so why not get involved!
Yr 8 Prize Winning Scientists

At the beginning of the month, Mr Allen took four Year 8 students to compete in the Royal Society of Chemistry’s Chemistry Challenge at Bradford University. On the day students from 14 schools competed in two challenges using the University Chemistry Laboratories. They also enjoyed a Chemical Magic Demonstration and prize giving ceremony. Our students excelled in the main Salters Challenge and were awarded second prize, narrowly pipped to the post by Barnard Castle, an independent school from Durham. It was clear from the judges’ comments that the top three teams performed at an extremely high level. The students carried out the 2 hour team challenge including numerous chemical analytical techniques, whilst no teachers were allowed in the lab. Our students proved themselves in the face of extremely strong opposition, including Bradford Grammar, Ilkley Grammar and Queen Elizabeth’s Grammar (Wakefield). The team showed logical thinking, enthusiasm, team-work and fairness throughout, as well as a real competitive edge. Massive congratulations to the team!

Yr 7 and 9 Netball Champions

Congratulations to our Year 7 and Year 9 Netballers for winning their leagues! Our Yr 9 team won the Bradford Schools B league and are looking forward to playing in the A league next year.

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Yr 6 Baking with Mrs Puddy

This half term we have welcomed East Morton’s Year 5 children on Tuesday mornings to bake with Mrs Puddy.

The groups have made Roasted Vegetables & BBQ Chicken Wraps and Triple Choc Cookies whilst learning valuable skills including how to use a knife safely as well as food hygiene and washing up!

These cookery classes are always great fun and offer the Primary children an opportunity to use our facilities whilst getting a taste of life at an upper school. We offer all our local Primary schools the opportunity to bring groups to bake with Mrs Puddy - we are looking forward to welcoming Trinity All Saints in June.

Amnesty Youth Conference

At the end of March, Miss Shah, Mrs Rawling, Masoomah (Yr 11) and Jess, Daniel and Sana (Yr 9) travelled to the Amnesty International Headquarters in London to attend the first Amnesty Youth Conference in 12 years.

Prior to the conference our School Amnesty Youth Group has been working on the 'Keep Refugee Families Together' campaign. The group raised just over £200 from a bake sale they organised and also handed out stickers and information about Amnesty whilst asking students to sign their petition. Tanzima Uddin in Year 11 created a beautiful and moving title page which was presented to Anne Montague at Amnesty International whilst at the conference. A large number of our students also participated in the paper chain campaign and produced moving examples to explain the importance of family.

At the conference our students had the opportunity to take part in a workshop linking to various human rights issues and how to campaign effectively. The group heard speeches including one from Kate Allen, the director of Amnesty International.

The day was inspiring for both staff and students and the Amnesty staff were very impressed with Tanzima Uddin’s petition and the work our Youth Group has done.

To read Masoomah’s report about the day they spent at the Youth Conference visit our school website >>

Amnesty Award

Since the youth conference, Tanzima’s petition and our Youth Group’s work in school raising awareness has been recognised and Tanzima and Masoomah were invited to Amnesty’s Annual National Conference and AGM at Nottingham University. Our students were presented with a ‘Robin Hood Award’ for ‘services to human rights beyond the limits of endeavour’.

To read Tanzima’s report about her experience at the Conference and AGM visit our school website >>

We are extremely proud of our Amnesty Youth Group and the recognition they have received from Amnesty HQ - well done to all those involved.
Design & Technology

Exam Season is now in full swing and all the practical coursework has been finished and handed in. As ever, our students have worked extremely hard in all year groups to produce some fantastic work in the Design & Technology department.

GCSE Graphics
In Yr 11 GCSE Graphics a range of products have been designed and created including children’s board games and activity packs, takeaway food packaging and mobile phone packaging.

GCSE Resistant Materials
In Yr 11 the GCSE Resistant Materials groups have worked on two very different projects. Mr Holmes’ students have produced some highly creative docking stations/speakers for their phones/mp3 players and Mr Farnaby’s students have made children’s balance bikes.

A Level Graphics
In Yr 12 AS Graphics the students have designed and created a range of clever marketing materials for the outdoor wear company ‘Grisedale’.
**A Level Resistant Materials**
The Yr 12 AS Resistant Materials students have designed and built some unique lamps and the Yr 13 A level Resistant Materials group have created their own storage solutions for the home.

**Year 12 Resistant Materials**

**GCSE and A Level Textiles**
In the Yr 11 GCSE, Yr 12 AS and Yr 13 A Level Textiles groups some amazing dresses have been designed and made. Miss Ellis is extremely proud of their efforts and creativity.

**GCSE Textiles**

**Year 13 A Level Resistant Materials**

**A selection of the Year 13 A Level Dresses**
Notes from the Teachers:

New Behaviour Model and Procedures
Upon returning from half term, Bingley Grammar School will be focusing on new behaviour procedures to ensure all our students get the best possible outcomes and thus truly ‘Belong, Grow and Succeed’ at Bingley Grammar School.

Please read the news story on the website for more information >>
Click here to view the powerpoint which has been shown to all students in Yrs 7-10 in assemblies this week >>

New Philosophy Club
Ms Lewis will be starting up a new Philosophy Club for students in Years 9-11 on Monday lunchtimes.
The first club meeting will be on the second Monday (12 June) after the holidays in D9.

Yr 12 & 13 Linguists
“A huge good luck to my AS and A2 French students who all have exams first week back. They have worked so hard this year and I could not be more proud of them.”
Mrs Greening MFL
“Good luck to our AS French students with their exams straight after the holidays. Also to A2 French and A2 Spanish who have to wait a bit longer (mid June)!!”
Mrs Bowen

Pitch Perfect
Yr 9 and 10 Pitch Perfect group, every Wednesday 2nd lunch, in preparation for the summer music concert. All you budding singers, please come to M2 and join in.

House Triathlon
Mr Swann and the House Captains are running a House Triathlon on Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th June. The house points earned will be based on participation numbers so the more the merrier. Students can access running club on Tuesdays and Triathlon club on Thursdays to get in training!

Restaurant Competition:
The restaurant received some delicious menus for their May-thon competition. Five winners were chosen and we have been enjoying their meals every day this week. Congratulations to the winners whose meal recipes have been entered into the regional final!

The winners (and their meals):

- Mon - Crispy Californian Chicken
  (Theo Hester & Rob Andrew – 8M3)
- Tues - Chilli Burritos
  (Matthew Rouse – 7S2)
- Wed - Vegetable Burrrito
  (Charlotte Lofthouse – 7S2)
- Thur - Chicken Taco
  (Kira-Mae Haigh – 7M3)
- Fri - Vegetable Spring Roll
  (Jess Swords – 10SL1)

Dates to Remember:

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Well done to everyone who took part!

Lunch May-Thon 2017!

Good luck to all of our entry winners in the regional final!