A Word from the Headteacher

I am excited to tell you all that we have been selected by the National Centre for Computing Education (NCCE) as one of only 23 schools nationally to become a leading computing hub school. We are thrilled to take part in such a prestigious national project that shows the government’s commitment to closing the skills gap for students across the country.

Our Computing team went through a rigorous selection process demonstrating their expertise, enthusiasm and commitment to computing education becoming the only lead hub school in West Yorkshire!

As an NCCE Computing Hub, we are very much looking forward to supporting schools and colleges within the region to ensure that all young learners (including our own at Bingley Grammar!) have access to excellent Computer Science provision, to improve their future prospects.

Mr Luke Weston
Headteacher
Yr 13 Leaver’s Ball

Last Wednesday our Year 13 had a fantastic evening at their Leavers’ Ball. Our students arrived in all their finery to celebrate together at the Craiglands Hotel in Ilkley. With exams now over, our students really enjoyed the chance to dress up, dine and dance after all their hard work.

The Year 13s really made the most of their evening, having fun with the photo booth and props, and particularly enjoying the presentation of the Year 13 Awards which were devised and voted for by the Year 13s themselves.

Mr Weston, Mrs Dean and the sixth form team; Mr Greening, Mr Brown, Mr Bridge, Mrs Durrans and Mrs Booth, loved spending the evening with the students and wish them all well for the future. As the evening drew to a close it was fantastic to hear from the hotel staff that they had enjoyed the evening too, as our students were such a lovely group who were a credit to the school.
Rewards - Name & Fame!
Every two weeks students are nominated by their form tutor for their efforts in form time and around school.
Round 16: 16th May - 5th Jun

Name & Fame Round 16 - Year 7
7M1 Sumaya Sidat 7S1 Keira Kane
7M2 Areesha Ahmed 7S2 Safian Ali
7M3 Aaron Priestley 7S3 Aryan Hamza
7O1 Luke Mallinson 7W1 Rosie-Mae
7O2 Mohammed Ali 7W2 Toby Jordan
7O3 Eliza Haroon 7W3 Seher Unabiya

Name & Fame Round 16 - Year 8
8M1 Talula Watson 8S1 Madiah Khatoon
8M2 Ella Wood 8S2 Hishaam Hanif
8M3 Harriet Pawson 8S3 Ahmed Malik
8O1 Aliyah Hussain 8W1 Lily Gibson
8O2 Samirah Ahmed 8W2 Jack Kitson
8O3 Miles Whitehead 8W3 Zain Hussain

Name & Fame Round 16 - Year 9
9M1 Rayhaan Hussain 9S1 Jemima Whitehead
9M2 Kez Chadwick 9S2 Iqra Hussain
9M3 Rachel Cowan 9S3 Bilal Hussin
9O1 Mohammed Zulfiqar 9W1 Riley Grant
9O2 Mehdish Amini 9W2 Jack Lee
9O3 Craig Churchyard 9W3 Amy Butterfield

Name & Fame Round 16 - Year 10
10M1 Ben Cork 10S1 William Dawson
10M2 Ryan Underwood 10S2 Robert Hehir
10M3 Holy Grayston 10S3 Jack Carr
10O1 Mohammed Ayaz 10W1 Izza Afzal
10O2 Louie Rosano 10W2 Awais Kashif
10O3 Megan Smillie 10W3 Misbah Khatoon
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Round 17: 6th Jun - 19th Jun

### Name & Fame Round 17 - Year 7
- 7M1 Georgina Caswell
- 7M2 Samuel Senior
- 7M3 Jessica Woolliscroft
- 7O1 Ryan Hutton
- 7O2 Charlie Butterfield
- 7O3 Maddie Corcoran

### Name & Fame Round 17 - Year 8
- 8M1 Jonathan Morgan
- 8M2 Rayia Ahmed
- 8M3 Shahbaz Khan
- 8O1 Annie Beadle
- 8O2 Cira Richards
- 8O3 Ibrahim Ahmed

### Name & Fame Round 17 - Year 9
- 9M1 Chloe Wood
- 9M2 Joanna Rowley
- 9M3 Lily Chuck
- 9O1 Jack Fletcher
- 9O2 Ben Davey
- 9O3 Molly Cardus

### Name & Fame Round 17 - Year 10
- 10M1 Abigail Forsyth
- 10M2 Phoebe Rothwell-Knee
- 10M3 William Humphreys
- 10O1 Amberina Binth
- 10O2 Chloe Hird
- 10O3 Megan Smillie

- 10S1 Olivia Smith
- 10S2 Haleema Umar
- 10S3 Subhan Abid
- 10W1 Conor Taylor
- 10W2 Poppy Sharpe
- 10W3 Danny Hamilton

- 7S1 Tawheed Hussain
- 7S2 Zac Bamber
- 7S3 Emma Bateman
- 7W1 Nathan Earnshaw
- 7W2 Keira Willoughby
- 7W3 Humair Mohammed

- 8S1 Katrina Barusevicus
- 8S2 Jacob Butler
- 8S3 Luke Moore
- 8W1 Ahmed Karim
- 8W2 Hamza Bashir
- 8W3 Mishaal Ramzan

- 9S1 Morgan Pearson-Bentley
- 9S2 Honey Lee
- 9S3 Esa Khan
- 9W1 Tamjid Choudhury
- 9W2 Katie Whitley
- 9W3 Dylan Mynard

- 10S1 Olivia Smith
- 10S2 Haleema Umar
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Yr 7 Sponsored Walk

On Friday afternoon 294 Yr 7 students walked 5km to raise money for the BRI’s Radiology Appeal.

Our students shared in a really positive experience on Friday walking together in groups enjoying the sunshine whilst raising money for such a worthy cause.

Our students and staff were joined by Ruth Tolley, Matron for Children’s Inpatient Services, and Leeanne Elliot, Consultant paediatric radiologist, who chatted with the students about how the money raised would be spent and what a difference it will make. The route took the students from school, into Crossflatts, past Crossflatts Primary School, back along the canal to the three rise locks and back to school on the main road.

Our students were in high spirits but behaved extremely well during the walk. Passersby commented on how lovely it was to see the students out enjoying the surrounding area and that they thought the Yr 7s seemed a lovely group of young people.

The sponsorship money is rolling in nicely but there is still lots outstanding. Please can the Yr 7s try to collect their sponsorship as soon as possible as we plan to present a cheque to the BRI soon.

All students will be receiving a LORIC award in recognition of their efforts to support this worthwhile charity.
School Summer Games

Over three days in June we competed in our first Hanson School Summer games. The competition involved around 15 schools, competing in a range of sporting activities to gain points for their school.

The Aquatics event came first with our team doing incredibly well. The event was held at Eccleshill Swimming Pool and 7 teams competed for the first round of points. Bingley entered teams into both Junior (Year 7 & 8) and Inter (Year 9 &10) level events for both boys and girls. Competition was fierce across all four age groups but Bingley’s very capable swimmers held their own in every race. Throughout the whole afternoon Bingley Grammar School did themselves proud and represented school incredibly well, their support for one another was great to see and Mrs Brankin said it was a pleasure to spend time with this group of students. Overall results were very close and Bingley took first place in the Girls Inter event and third place in all the other events. Which resulted in us placing 2nd with our rival, St Bede’s & St Josephs Catholic College, and only missing out by 1 point behind first place Morley. Our swim team made an excellent start to the three-day Summer Games allowing our other competitors to go into the next two days in 2nd place.
The second event day involved rugby league and badminton. Again effort and determination was on display in abundance throughout the event. For the Year 8 girls rugby team, this was their first experience of competitive inter-school rugby. They were brilliant and competed extremely well against the other 4 schools (winning one, drawing one and losing two). Special mention to Annie-Grace and Olivia. The boys rugby provided some big hits and good try scoring exploits. Despite sending a team consisting mainly of Year 9 students, the team were outstanding competing against Year 10 teams. They were highly committed and showed great resilience and determination.

The badminton competition was again a first for us in recent years and the team found it hard at first against some very good county level players. We won 6 out of 20 games, facing some tough competition. Ella R and Zara A won 2 games each in the singles matches, Ella and Amani teamed up in the doubles games and came away with 2 wins. Charlotte L was a crucial member of the team doubling up with Amani S and Zara A in the doubles games. The girls played some close games with unfortunate loses but never gave up, their team spirit was high as they continually encouraged each other and gave 100% effort. We finished in fourth place beating Morley.

The final day included the athletics, indoor rowing and the Year 7 rounders competition with 44 of our students taking parts. The weather wasn’t ideal for a day event, but our students once again were amazing. The Year 7 rounders team did well coming 5th and we were second in the Year 8 and 9 rowing events. The athletic performances were full of energy and commitment and some of the performances were outstanding. Special mention must go to Holly G and Sophie C in year 10, who won their respective events. Other notable performances were from Isabella E and Ruben W whose tactical awareness and race plan in the 800m was brilliant. Both finishing second against county athletes.

All in all Bingley Grammar came fourth, which for our first experience of the Hanson Summer Games is a great result. We would like to say thanks to all 72 students who took part. Now we are looking forward to Sports Day on the 16th July!
Yr 8 Science Reward Trip

On Tuesday 25th June, 75 students from Year 8 with top EWL scores in Science and 15 Pupil Premium students, attended the Big Bang Fair at Doncaster Racecourse.

The students spent the day visiting the stalls, including Drax, the NHS and the Army. There were some great demonstrations from ‘Cool Pete’s Amazing Science’, who made some very big bangs and ‘Animals in Tuition’, who brought with them lots of exotic creatures.

There were also opportunities to build models of rockets and DNA.

We hope that the students were able to increase their engagement in Science through hands-on experience and increase their understanding of topics in the classroom.

Everybody had a great day and our students represented the school brilliantly.
DofE Qualifying Expedition
The Duke of Edinburgh qualifying expedition took place on the 20th-21st June.

The students walked from School up through the St. Ives estate dropping back into Bingley, across the river and up along Shipley Glen before camping overnight at Sconce Scout campsite. The following day the groups made their way eastwards before heading into Menston and Westwards to Ilkley Cow and Calf rocks for a well earned ice cream. The route involved some tricky navigation as well as a number of steep ascents and descents with heavy rucksacks. Well done to all students who completed this expedition.

The next stage for the participants is to get their volunteering, physical and skill sections signed off. Once all sections are complete they will receive their certificate and badge. This year our students have taken part in a wide variety of volunteering placements in the local community including giving up their spare time helping in local nursing homes, assisting with scout/guide groups and volunteering in local charity shops. Similarly to previous years students have improved their personal skills in areas such as cooking at home, learning new languages or musical instrument skills as well as art or photography pursuits. Students have also taken part in a wide variety of physical activities from football and netball to hill walking, rock climbing, park runs and dance classes.

We still have some places left for next year’s Bronze group, if you or your son/daughter is in Year 8 (starting in Year 9 in September) and would like to take part please ask them to see Mr Morse before the end of term.
School Centred Initial Teacher Training at Bingley

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They have been with us for the whole academic year apart from a short stint in a contrasting school from December until February Half Term. The student teachers hit the ground running by working alongside practicing teachers who have been their personal mentors. They progressed from, in September 18, observing lessons, to leading an activity or working with small groups of pupils, to teaching a whole class and then, as their teaching skills developed, have taken on more and more classes ending up with quite a full timetable teaching classes, under the supervision of their mentors.
All five have jobs for September, two of whom will be joining us here for the next academic year. Jonathan Woolley will be teaching Computing and Stephen Grimshaw will be teaching in the History department - we look forward to supporting them through their NQT year.

Here are a couple of lovely comments from our trainee teachers about their time at Bingley Grammar School:

“I’m not a great one for quotes but I would say that from the moment I came to Bingley to visit the people here have been fantastic and it has been a brilliant place to train. Ben (McGregor) and Dan (Watson) have been great. The diversity of the kids is incredible and brings with it a range of interesting challenges that have truly helped me to develop. I have really enjoyed my ITT year and am looking forward to starting my NQT year with Bingley in September.” Jonathan Woolley

“From the moment I first set foot in Bingley Grammar School for my SCITT interview I have been made to feel at home. I have felt that the school is fully invested in me and has given me an incredible amount of help in my quest to become a qualified teacher. Ben McGregor has always ensured that we have everything that we need to succeed, and I have also been very fortunate to work alongside my mentor Karl Burniston, who has done an amazing job in guiding me through this school year. I couldn’t have asked for a better year in training and I can’t wait to continue my journey here in September!”

Stephen Grimshaw

We would like to thank all our trainee teachers for their hard work and dedication over the course of the year and wish them good luck in their future careers.
Over the past few months, Year 5 children from Crossflatts Primary, Harden Primary and Wilsden Primary have been completing their CREST superstar awards with the help of our Science teachers.

The CREST awards provide students the opportunity to plan and investigate problems and questions they have in the real world. Science teachers from Bingley Grammar visited the students at their primary schools over 4 sessions. The students enjoyed finding out which is the best acid to make cheese; what is the perfect height to drop your toast (and have it land butter side up); which tea bag shape makes the perfect cup of tea and the best design for a rocket.

Last Monday the children visited Bingley Grammar school where they got stuck into some more Science problems. One task they faced was discovering which recipe made the strongest and stickiest glue. They created their own indicators out of red cabbage and tested it on various acids and alkalis that could be found in their homes. They were tasked with extracting dye from skittles and crafting some chromatography flowers and finally we held a competition to determine which student could build the fastest boat. The students have now completed their CREST superstar award and will receive a certificate and badge shortly.

To find out more about the Crest Award click the link below: 
https://www.crestawards.org/crest-superstar
## Dates to Remember:

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| Mon 08 & Tues 09 July | Yr 8 Malham Trip | Groups will be going on the following days:  
**Monday 8th July:** 8Na 8Be 8Ca 8Sr 8Cu  
**Tuesday 9th July:** 8Li 8Rb 8Mg 8Fe 8Ag 8Ne 8Kr 8Ar  
Students will need to wear walking boots or sensible comfortable trainers. It is a non-uniform trip - please wear long shorts or tracksuit bottoms with a t-shirt and jumper or hoody. A rucksack is essential. Students will also need to bring a light raincoat (preferably which fits inside their rucksack). Even if it is warm on the day, it might be cold at the top of the limestone pavement. Please also pack sun cream!  
**Every student on the trip needs to bring a rucksack containing a bottle of water and a pack lunch. It is likely to be very warm – at least a 1litre bottle of water should be brought with you. There are no shops to buy anything and there will not be time to stop anywhere. Please meet in the restaurant at 8.30am. Students will return to school at 2.30pm.** |
| Tues 09 July | Great Yorkshire Show Trip | Year 10 Enterprise & Marketing group will be visiting the Great Yorkshire Show to see the many local business stands at the event. |
| Wed 10 July | Youth Parliament’s Tea Party | Our Yr 7 & 8 Youth Parliament will be hosting a Tea Party for residents of the 5 Rise Nursing Home, Thompson Court and Cottingley Care Home. |
| Wed 10 July | Yr 8 Brilliant Club Graduation | The Scholars Programme group will attend a graduation day to receive their certificates for completing the course at the University of Leeds. |
| Mon 15 July | Early Finish – ‘CPD Monday’ | School closes at 2.00pm on CPD Mondays for continued staff training. |
| Tues 16 July | Sports Day | Each form group has been asked to nominate a competitor for each event, we are looking forward to a great day of athletics and mass participation! |
| Tues 16 July | KS3/4 Celebration Evening | Parent/carers of students receiving awards will have received an email inviting them to attend this event. Please reply by Friday 12th July. |
| Wed 17 July | Parent Focus Group AGM | The Parent Focus Group Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Wednesday 17th July at 7.00pm in Quinn Block. A letter with full details has been emailed out to all parent/carers and can be found on the school website in the letters and PFG pages. This is your chance to hear and see how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of the pupils at our school. The AGM is also an opportunity for you to elect the PFG Committee, to represent the Group throughout the forthcoming academic year. |
Thurs 18 July  |  Yr 10 Geography Italy Trip  |  Please meet at the bus turnaround by 5.30am with your EHIC and passport ready for inspection. The remaining EHIC photocopies need to be taken to Miss Frankland in the main office as soon as possible.

Fri 19 July  |  School Closes at 2.00pm Non-uniform day for whole school.  |  School closes for summer at 2.00pm. Non-uniform for the whole school.

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**School Uniform Bank**

As we head towards the end of the year, some students may have outgrown their uniform and/or, in the Year 11s case, no longer need it!

We are lucky to have in our area the Shipley School Uniform Bank which is now asking for donations of uniform and sports kit.

We also realise for some families it can be hard to provide uniform, therefore if you feel you need support you can approach your child’s year team to gain more support through a referral to the School Uniform Bank.

The School Uniform Bank says, “Our aim is to reduce the financial burden on local families whilst promoting recycling and reuse, by collecting and re-distributing school uniforms and associated items in good condition to those experiencing financial hardship.”

The Shipley School Uniform Bank will be running drop ins and pop up shops throughout July. The uniform bank will be closed over summer so if you are in need of help please contact the school (or attend one of the drop-ins) before the end of term for us to put you in touch with them.

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**Drop-Ins**

- **Monday 8th July 11am-1pm**
- **Wednesday 10th July 1.30pm-3.30pm**
- **Friday 12th July 11am-4pm**
- **Monday 15th July 10am-2pm**
- **Wednesday 17th July 11am-1pm**
- **Friday 19th July 12noon-4.30pm**

**Summer Pop-Up Shops**

- **Highcroft Youth Centre**
  - **Tuesday 23rd July 10am-3pm**
- **Gateway Community Centre**
  - **Wednesday 31st July (Time TBC)**

**Capow Summer Fair @ Wycliffe**

- **Thursday 16th July - 3.15-6.00pm - Wycliffe CE Primary**
- We will be bringing all uniform suitable for Wycliffe (including generic)
- We may bring local secondary uniform - let us know which to bring!

**Summer Closure**

- **Friday 2nd August**
- **Wednesday 4th September**