



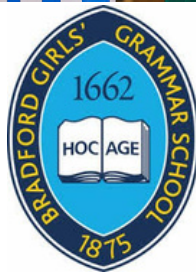
#WEAREBGGS

April 2026

Half Term -  
Week 4



# BRADFORD GIRLS' GRAMMAR SCHOOL



**INSPIRE - SUCCEED - LEAD**

It has been a very positive week at Bradford Girls' Grammar School, and I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our students and staff on their continued commitment and achievements.

One of the highlights has been our success in the Seneca League, where BGGs has finished at the top across Bradford. This is a fantastic accomplishment and reflects the dedication of our students in making the most of every learning opportunity available to them.

Preparations for our upcoming Culture Day are also well underway. It has been particularly impressive to hear about the leadership shown by our Year 11 students, who are taking a leading role in organising the Fashion Show. Their initiative and enthusiasm are a real credit to the school.

I would also like to give a special mention to members of our Marketing Club, who have begun creating a series of videos to support students joining us in September from Year 6. This is a thoughtful and proactive approach, and I am sure it will make a meaningful difference in helping new students feel welcomed and prepared.

Thank you to all members of our school community for contributing to such a successful week.

**Mrs Foster**

## WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO

We will be taking a whole school photograph on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May, this will also be available for parents to purchase.

Please complete the Microsoft Forms Link below to confirm that you are happy for your daughter to take part:

## Whole school photograph





## PASTORAL NEWS

### Phone-free school

The Department for Education (DfE) has said that all schools should be mobile-free environments by default. The DfE updated their guidance for schools in February 2026.

Phones should not be used at any point during the day including:

- Lessons
- Time between lessons Break time
- Lunch time
- The guidance applies to all schools in England and is designed to help schools stay calm, safe and focused on
- learning.

### Why have the government taken this approach?

The government and inspectors have highlighted key reasons:

- Phones distract from learning making it harder to concentrate
- Arguments, filming, online bullying and social media pressure often start during the school day
- Phone-free schools are calmer, safer and fairer for everyone
- Removing phones helps pupils focus on relationships, learning and well being

Inspectors stated that they fully support phone bans and now checks how well schools apply their phone policies during inspections.

The Department for Education is clear that schools can choose different methods, but the outcome must be the same:

### **No phone use during the school day**

There are some exceptions: medical use (diabetic monitoring), SEND or disability reasons or in an exceptional circumstance

## TOP ACHIEVEMENT POINT EARNERS

**Year 7**

**Aaira K**

**Year 8**

**Madiha S**

**Year 9**

**Hafsa R**

**Year 10**

**Liana G**

**Year 11**

**Husna R**



## Safeguarding Focus

Does your family need some support?

Please find attached the Timetable for both Bevan House and Farcliffe Family hub and a couple of community events for families to attend.

The holidays are approaching, please watch this space for activities !!

**PRIESTLEY connects**

**Supporting parents and carers within the Bradford community**

**Just pop in!**  
EVERYONE WELCOME! NO NEED TO BOOK!

Come along to our free community events and discover the support you and your child can access, including:

- SEN support
- Wellbeing and pastoral services
- Family help and early support
- Community organisations
- School-based provision
- Signposting and advice

**Who can attend?**

- All parents and carers from the community - you don't need to have a child at one of our schools
- Families wanting to understand the types of available support
- Anyone seeking guidance and support around SEN, wellbeing, or community services

**What to expect**

- Information stalls
- Staff available for questions
- Practical advice and signposting to key services
- Free resources to take home
- A welcoming, supportive environment
- Free refreshments!

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 17, 2026**

**8:30am - 10:30am**  
Green Lane Primary School  
Green Lane, Manningham,  
Bradford BD8 8HT

**2:00pm - 4:00pm**  
Westbourne Primary School  
Skinner Lane, Manningham,  
Bradford BD8 7PL

**We look forward to seeing you there!**

**Weekly Clinic Drop-In Sessions**

Free community support sessions open to families, parents, and anyone needing help. No appointment needed - just drop in! Our friendly team offers guidance on employment, education, housing, health, and family support services.

**OUR SERVICES**

- Early Help referrals & family support
- Housing & health referrals
- DWP referrals & welfare advice
- Education & attendance support
- CV writing & job coaching
- Food & poverty support

Access the Hub at the Back of Oasis Lister Park Academy. Follow the sign and path. (Parking available)

Contact George or Ralph for more information  
George: 0113 2764300  
Ralph: 0113 2764300

09:00-10:00 & 13:00-14:30  
Oasis Community Hub, Health Avenue, Manningham, Bradford BD8 7PL

## Year 11 Update

The Year 11 exams in Health and Social Care and Digital IT have got off to a truly fantastic start. The girls have been exceptional in their conduct, demonstrating focus, resilience, and maturity in every aspect of the exam process. They have approached each paper with confidence and determination, showing the benefits of their hard work, revision, and commitment over time. Their calm, respectful, and purposeful attitude has created a highly positive atmosphere that reflects great credit on them as individuals and as a cohort.

This success has been powerfully supported by the outstanding pre-exam sessions delivered by our dedicated curriculum leads. Their careful planning, subject expertise, and willingness to go above and beyond have ensured that students felt fully prepared, reassured, and equipped with the knowledge and strategies needed to succeed. The enthusiasm and encouragement shown by staff have been instrumental in building students' confidence and reducing anxiety at such an important time.

Together, the combined efforts of both students and staff have set an excellent tone for the exam season. It is a testament to the strong relationships, high expectations, and shared commitment to success within the department, and we look forward to seeing this continue in the weeks ahead.