

Friday 2 July 2021



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BRADFORD GIRLS' GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Co-educational up to 11, Girls only 11-16

Dear Parents and Carers,

With only a week to go, we are busy finalising plans for next academic year.

We hope that 'things will be back to normal' and that we will be able to return to providing the wealth and variety of school experiences we have previously enjoyed. Next week we will provide a summary of the start of term arrangements, which will also be on our new website for your future reference.

Equality and Diversity

In terms of our work on diversity, we have been celebrating all the different nationalities represented in our school community this week by flying flags of each country in the atrium. As you will see from the photograph below, there are children from around 30 countries in school, making us an extremely diverse population, which brings a wealth of cultural capital to the school.



Rio Carnival Time in Year 1

Year 1 are looking forward to next Thursday 8th July, when they will be celebrating the end of their topic learning about carnival outfits. They have all made their own colourful carnival masks and head dresses from all sorts of materials including feathers and sequins and will now wear them as they celebrate their own carnival day. During the week pupils will be cooking typical carnival food as part of their carnival celebrations.

Year 5 Space Exhibition

Next week Year 5 pupils will be attending a Space Exhibition being hosted at Bradford Grammar School in conjunction with Tim Rogers, a satellite specialist and Director of Future Transformations. Tim and a group of PhD students from Leeds University have put together a taster programme for our pupils so they can find out more about satellites, and answer some of their questions such as, what do Satellites look like, how do they get into space, how do they stay there, and what do they do? This will be followed by outdoor activities and the chance to launch rockets - which I am sure our pupils are particularly going to enjoy.

Reminder - Year 7 Transition 'Live' Event

We look forward to welcoming our new students and parents, at the "live" transition event to be held on **Wednesday 7th July 2021** between **5.30pm and 6.30pm**, which is to be hosted on Microsoft Teams.

Further details of the event schedule, can be found on the school's visit the [Transition Page](#) on the school website – to join the meeting, please [Click here to join the meeting](#). There will be an opportunity to ask questions and will use these to produce a FAQs document for the website. If you are unable to attend, then please visit the school website from 8 July 2021 for further information and updates.

Y10 Speak Out Workshops

Next Tuesday 6th July, many of our Year 10 students will be attending a workshop delivered by the Speakers Trust to help teach students how to speak with increased confidence, listen more attentively and express their thoughts with greater structure, clarity and logic. This national charity works with school across the UK to help young people by building their confidence and improving their ability to express themselves verbally.

School Fundraising Challenge for Amnesty International

This week has seen Year 8 students take the fundraising challenge. Each form group were given £20 as start-up capital and competed against other forms in their year group to see who could turn a profit and raise the most money. All monies raised are to be donated to Amnesty International:

- 8B raise £133.92 by selling ice lollies and ice creams in the sunshine
- 8C raised £147.61 with a 'guess how many sweets in the jar' competition and selling sweets
- 8N raised £217.35 by selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts with the added option to 'decorate your doughnut' for an additional cost and selling bags of giant strawberry sweets.
- 8T raised **£224.72** by creating a pop-up tuck shop full of sweet treats and ice-cold beverages

Congratulations to students in Form 8T who raised the most money and can now enjoy their own non-uniform day on Tuesday 6 July. The total raised by Year 8 is £723.60 and when added to the money raised by Year 7 students, £482.60 and children in Lady Royd, £325 brings it to a grand total of **£1531.20**.

Volleyball Club

Dixons Cottingley Academy are offering our students the opportunity to join their Volleyball Club which runs every Thursday night from 6:30pm until 8pm. The club caters to a wide range of abilities and ages with their youngest player of 5 years right up to the oldest junior player at 18. Sessions follow the Volleyball England Covid Regulations and Safeguarding Regulations.

To sign up, please contact westridingvc@gmail.com We have included the club's flyer at the end of the letter.

Summer Work Experience

Kuehne+Nagel, a global transport and logistics company, is offering our students aged from 14 years, a virtual work experience opportunity over the summer. This will run from 2nd to 13th August, for around 10 hours across the two-week period and will include live webinars with key people from across the company.

Students will meet professionals in live workshops and be able to ask them questions and complete activities and work assignments to develop skills and knowledge – all can be completed in their own time and at their own pace, and each participant will receive a certificate upon completion. This will look impressive on any CV and an application to sixth form college.

The application process is open until Wednesday 28th July. Students can find out further information and how to apply, by visiting: <https://jobs.kuehne-nagel.com/uk/en/virtual-work-experience>. I have also included their flyer at the end of this letter.

School Reports

Reports will be sent next week and will need to be viewed via Edulink.

Due to the pandemic, the DFE have amended the statutory guidance about what needs to be included in a written report. Schools must include information about achievements, identify some strengths as well as development points. This year there is no requirement to report on outcomes or attendance. However, we still feel that it is still important for parents to have some understanding of their child's attainment based on both teacher and summative assessments. Therefore, we will continue to use the terms WTS (working towards expected standard), EXS (at expected standard) or GD (greater depth). However, these need to be viewed with caution and not used to compare progress from previous years. If you wish to discuss the content of your child's report, please contact the class teacher in the first instance.

Please note, Year 10 reports will be sent Thursday 8th July.

Primary Stars of the Week

Finally, huge congratulations and well done to all our Lady Royd 'Star of the Week' - presented according to achievement points earned for demonstrating the ASPIRE Values: Accountability, Self-Confidence, Perseverance, Integrity, Respect, and Empathy.

RL Amelia Hussain	3P BUBBLE CLOSED
RP Aanah Akram	4L Madiha Saddiqa
1L Alishba Afsar	4P BUBBLE CLOSED
1P Umar Iqbal	5L Emaani Ehjaz, Maryam Tasir
2L Muhammad Yusuf, Subhan Adnan	5P Rayaan Rauf
2P Saif Ahmed	6L Aleena Ali
3L Yusuf Hussain, Jumaima Hussain	6P Esha Hussain

Thank you for all your support.

Have good weekend.

Yours sincerely



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Learn about the world of Logistics on a two-week virtual work experience programme with Kuehne+Nagel

Who's it for?

Students between the ages of 14 and 18

When does it run?

2 August to 13 August, for around 10 hours across the two weeks, including live webinars with the Kuehne+Nagel team

Is it free?

Yes, totally free!

How to apply

Applications are open now, and will close on 28 July. To find out more and apply, visit jobs.kuehne-nagel.com/uk/en/virtual-work-experience

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