

Friday 1 October 2021



ASPIRE • SUCCEED • LEAD

**BRADFORD GIRLS'  
GRAMMAR SCHOOL**

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

Dear Parents

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Open Evening this week, and to meet some of our prospective 2022 parents.

In response to parental feedback, we are trying to make this letter shorter and clearer. From now on we will start with an overview of the parent information sessions that will be held the following week. We hope this be a useful reminder and that we will be able to welcome as many parents as possible to our events.

#### Events for Week Commencing 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021:

Day	Session	For	Time	Location
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<b>Wellbeing</b> Several support agencies will be present at this evening e.g. Hale, Roshni Ghar, Carers Resource	ALL Primary & Senior school parents	3.45-4.45pm	Main Hall
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) Help your child learn a language	Years 7,8 and 9	3.45-4.45pm	G3
	Family Fun Swim	ALL phases	3.15-4.15pm	Pool
	Phonics Workshop	Years 1 and 2	3.15-4.00pm	Lady Royd
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Stay & Learn Sessions	Reception class	8.30-8.50am	Rec.
	SEND Drop-In Sessions	Primary parents	9-10am	Lady Royd

Family Fun Swim: this will be lifeguarded on poolside by PE staff. All children must be accompanied in the water and changing rooms by a suitable parent/ guardian. As there will be a limited capacity due to health and safety, we ask that parents sign-up for these sessions using the [form here](#). The form will close Tuesday 5th October at 12noon.

#### Primary Parents' Evening

Parents' evening will be held on **Tuesday 12th October and Thursday 14th October: 3.40-6.10pm**. We are delighted to be able to hold these in school once again. Slots will be available to book from 6pm today Friday 1st October via Edulink One.

Appointments are 10 minutes each with the class teacher and will be held in the classrooms. Please note, appointment slots will be on a first come first served basis.

#### Senior School: Extra-Curricular Clubs and Activities

Parents of senior pupils can view what after school clubs and activities their child has signed up to using Edulink One. Please note, not all students have submitted their preferences and so have not been allocated an activity. This includes all Year 11 who will finalise their choices over the next week. The list of activities has been updated and can be [viewed here](#) - all afterschool clubs and activities will finish at 4pm.

## Relationships & Sex Education (RSE) Meeting

This week, we had very useful meeting with a group of parents, Bradford Council, and Bradford Council of Mosques, to discuss how we can improve the way we are implementing the statutory RSE curriculum. We agreed that:

- Before we hold our termly PSHE information sessions, we will meet with a small group of parents to discuss how the curriculum will be delivered and to look through the resources. This will help us know how we might adapt the teaching to allow for greater sensitivity around faith and cultural perspectives. These curriculum plans and resources will be shared with all parents at the information session that follows. We hope this will help give parents confidence about our commitment and ability to deliver these sensitive topics respectfully.
- The PSHE scheme that we use is called Jigsaw, which is highly recommended and fulfils the statutory requirements for the DfE and Ofsted. The Council's PSHE / RSE Adviser is also going to share with us another curriculum scheme that may be used as well as Jigsaw.
- The Council's PSHE / RSE Adviser is going to link us to another school so that we can share best practice around this area of the curriculum.
- We will continue to work on our communication strategy to ensure that all parents receive information in a way that they can access, such as by sending out key information in Urdu.

## SEND Training for Parents

We have been contacted by an organisation "AIM" which provides FREE online training to parents to help better understand some key issues around neurodiversity and wellbeing. They have over 40 courses available including:

- Understanding Autism (learn how individuals process sensory information, understand characteristics, understand conditions, learn how speech, language and communication differ)
- Understanding Children and Young Peoples Mental Health (Understand factors which may affect Young Peoples mental health, the impact that they have and how to support them with these issues)
- Understanding Behaviour That Challenges (supporting positive behaviour, effective communication & how to manage challenging behaviour)
- Understanding Specific Learning Difficulties (understand characteristics of ADHD, ADD, Dyslexia & Dyscalculia, importance of early diagnosis)

If you are interested in undertaking one of these courses, please complete the following booking form here: [Course Booking Form](#)

Finally, we are putting together a recipe book of favourite dishes from across our school community. If you would like to share a family favourite with us and include it in our recipe book, we would love to hear from you. Please email your recipes to Mrs Mills: [mmills@bggs.com](mailto:mmills@bggs.com)

Hope you have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely



Clare Martin

**Principal**

BRADFORD GIRLS' GRAMMAR SCHOOL  
& LADY ROYD PRIMARY

---

Squire Lane, Bradford, BD9 6RB

Tel: 01274 545 395

Email: [headsec@bggs.com](mailto:headsec@bggs.com) Web: [www.bggs.com](http://www.bggs.com)

Principal: Mrs C Martin BA PGCE NPQH

---

Company No. 07951118