

# BHS Update



16th October 2020

## Get Help Here...

Form Tutor/Pastoral Team/Miss Bradbury (KS3)/Miss Temple (KS4):

for any wellbeing concerns: [bradburys@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:bradburys@bedalehighschool.org.uk) / [templec@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:templec@bedalehighschool.org.uk)

Subject Teacher: for any subject specific questions around learning tasks

General Queries: Email: [admin@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:admin@bedalehighschool.org.uk) or call 01677 422419

## Rotary Christmas Shoebox Appeal Year 11 GCSE Exams and PPEs



**THE AIM:** To spread a little happiness to disadvantaged children and adults in Eastern Europe.

Operating over 25 years and have delivered over one million boxes



We are delighted to announce that Bedale High School will this year be taking part in the Rotary Club's Shoebox Campaign which aims to **spread a little bit of happiness and joy to disadvantaged children and young people across Eastern Europe.**

Students are encouraged to fill a provided shoebox with second hand items (in good condition) or new gifts for the following categories:

**TOYS ~ for Boys & Girls**

**BABY ~ Age up to 12months & New Mothers**

**TEENAGER ~ For young people up to 18 years age**

**HOUSEHOLD ~ For older folk & families**

Participating students across Year 7 -11 are encouraged to collect their shoeboxes from the drama studio **before** they leave for the half term holiday.

The deadline for returning boxes to Mrs Woodward is **Friday 6th November 2020.**

This promises to be a really great opportunity for our students to demonstrate the Bedale values of **Courage, Commitment and Compassion** while contributing to a worthy cause and becoming involved in something that is bigger than themselves!

<https://www.rotaryshoebox.org/>

There has been a lot of talk in the media over the last week or so regarding what will happen with the GCSE exams in the summer. As it stands, the government are sticking to their line that there will be a full exam season of externally run GCSE exams. Our preparation in school continues, largely as normal, with 2 sets of practice exams (Pre-Public Exams that are called PPEs). Please read the attached letters from Mr Gill and Miss Riley-Fox that give you the information you need about these exams and you will also see the **exam timetable**. One of the key things to take on board is that Year 11s should be starting to revise for these exams now - this 'little and often' approach really pays off in terms of keeping things at a well-planned, more stress-free level. The other thing we are urging the Year 11s to be aware of is that the government's stance could change...and we may yet find ourselves in a situation where we have to use the PPE results as substitute grades for their actual results. Therefore, it is more important than ever that they take these PPEs seriously.

# English Literature Revision Guides

## Y10/Y11 English Literature Revision Guides

We are again selling the English Literature CGP revision guides through the school at a significant price reduction. Payment can be made via ParentPay and purchased copies can be collected from members of the English faculty.

### YEAR 10

Revision (& edition details):	ISBN	Cost
CGP 'Power and Conflict' Poetry- Guide	978-1782943617	£3.00

### YEAR 11

Revision (& edition details):	ISBN	Cost
CGP 'A Christmas Carol' – Text Guide	978-1782943099	£3.00
CGP 'An Inspector Calls' – Text Guide	978-1841461151	£3.00
CGP 'Macbeth' – Text Guide	978-1841461168	£3.00
CGP 'Macbeth'- Text	978-1841461205	£3.00

## HT Performance Management

Last week I had my performance management with our Local Authority School Education Adviser and Governor panel. In the spirit of transparency, I would like to share my objectives for the forthcoming year with parents so that you are aware of some of our key priorities moving forward. The focus areas we have agreed upon are:

- Whole school wellbeing and mental health for students and staff
- Curriculum Development
- Progress and provision for disadvantaged students
- Progressing our Project 600 plan to increase our student intake numbers



"Your sales figures drop off dramatically during the winter months."

### OUT OF HOURS COVID-19 CONTACT

**If you need to notify school of a positive case of Covid-19 (outside normal school hours), please email [kellyt@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:kellyt@bedalehighschool.org.uk)**

### LOST PROPERTY?

We have a number of items of clothing, sportswear, phones, jewellery etc. that have been gathered over the last year. Could students be reminded to call into Room 15 before the end of this half term. We will be disposing of any remaining items on our return to school, week commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

## Want to save money on uniform?

Recycle your old school uniforms with [www.oldschooluniform.co.uk](http://www.oldschooluniform.co.uk) -

An online platform where you can give away or sell your unwanted school uniforms items. We have added Bedale High School to the site. If you have school uniform items that your child has out-grown or no longer uses, why not register and upload them here?



## Primary School Liaison

This week we have continued to liaise with our feeder schools in our ongoing work to attract as many students as we can from our local area. We held a virtual Open Evening last week, and we are now following up with Zoom meetings for specific schools. If you are in contact with any families of Year 5/6 children who may be interested in joining these meetings, please feel free to share the links (see below):

### **BHS Zoom session with Aiskew, Hackforth & Hornby Yr 5/6 Parents**

Time: Oct 19, 2020 06:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86253582835?pwd=Rno0c05jalB1c2tFU2VORWM1aWlCdz09>

Meeting ID: 862 5358 2835

Passcode: 587Sze

### **BHS Zoom session with Hunton & Arrathorne, Kell Bank Yr5/6 parents**

Time: Oct 21, 2020 06:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81165333121?pwd=cS9qcmtLUi9scCs1TUI1K28wL08zZz09>

Meeting ID: 811 6533 3121

Passcode: c64pSw

### **BHS Zoom Session for Yr 5/6 parents (Leeming & Londonderry, St Nicholas West Tanfield, Snape, Thornton Watlass)**

Time: Oct 22, 2020 06:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84120850939?pwd=YkFNShBqZmprbFppcDRkeHp1OGpQQT09>

Meeting ID: 841 2085 0939

Passcode: PmWa9r

### **BHS Zoom session for Yr 5/6 Masham parents**

Time: Oct 19, 2020 07:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

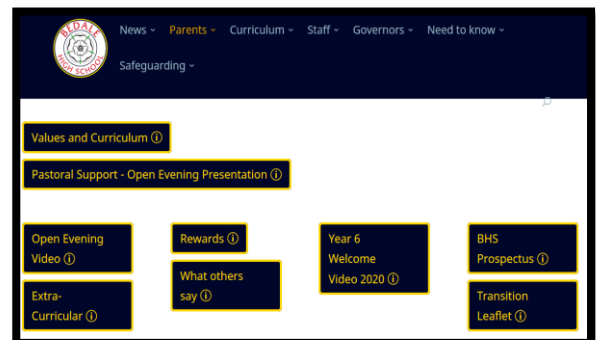
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84709856492?pwd=cE15TWZ3d2tMWU12UnZEBFVTT09yQT09>

Meeting ID: 847 0985 6492

Passcode: HeTT50

*There is an updated section on the school website with information for new families who are considering joining BHS...see link below*

<https://bedalehighschool.org.uk/parents/information-for-new-parents-carers/>



## Annual Data Checking Exercise – Return Needed

All students will be given a white A4 envelope to take home today which requires the attention of their parent/carer.

It would be appreciated if you could please check that the personal details on the sheet are correct. If there are any changes to be made, please make a correction next to the details you wish to be updated. This is extremely important in case we have to contact you in case of emergency.

We would like to draw your attention to your child's legal surname, shown on the Data Collection Sheet. Please check that this is accurate, as this will be the name shown on all examination certificates in the future.

It would be appreciated if you could return the updated Data Collection Sheet to the school office by Friday 23 October 2020.



## Drama – Whole School Production of Blood Brothers

Mrs Woodward writes: We are very excited to announce auditions for our upcoming whole school production of Willy Russell's, Blood Brothers! These are open to all students across **Years 7 - 11** and there will be opportunities to take part not only as performers on stage but also **working back stage** as part of our **newly formed stage crew!**

The performance will take place in **February 2021**.

The auditions will take the format of a drama workshop, no need to learn anything in advance or to do a solo performance (unless you want to!).

**A fabulous way to learn new skills, forge new friendships demonstrating courage, commitment and compassion within a whole school project.**

Get involved....Why wouldn't you?!

*All rehearsals and group work will be managed in a way that is compliant with the school's current Covid-19 protocols and risk assessment.*

### Whole School Production 2021 **BLOOD BROTHERS**



## AUDITIONS

- **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1505 – 1630 - Year 7**
- **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 1510 – 1630 – Year 8**
- **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 1510 – 1630 – Year 9,10,11.**