

BHS Update

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Get Help Here...

Form Tutor/Pastoral Team/Miss Bradbury (KS3)/Miss Temple (KS4) for any wellbeing concerns:

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Subject Teacher: for any subject specific questions around learning tasks

Yr 11 Exams: Mr Gill gillm@bedalehighschool.org.uk

General Queries: Email: admin@bedalehighschool.org.uk or call 01677 422419

Face Coverings Update

Following the latest government announcements this week, we will be following the Department for Education guidance and from Monday 17th May, students will no longer be required to wear a face covering in lessons or on corridors. Please note that students on buses must still wear the face-covering for the duration of their bus journey to and from school. I understand that some students or parents may feel anxious around this change, and if any students wish to continue wearing a face-covering around school or in lessons, they will still be allowed to do so for the time being. You may have seen in the media that some school leaders are unhappy with the latest guidance on the grounds that they do not feel it 'follows the science'. I must be honest with you here and say that I don't feel comfortable going against the guidance and choosing to 'follow the science'. Mainly because it depends entirely on which science you decide to follow...there is so much contradictory 'scientific evidence' both for and against the efficacy of face coverings, so it makes more sense to me to follow the guidance that the DfE are giving to schools on this issue. You can read the latest government guidance to schools here: [Face Coverings Updated Guidance For Schools](#) but the most relevant extract to sum up the changes can also be seen here:

As part of the Step 3 roadmap, it has been determined that it is no longer necessary to recommend the additional precautionary face covering measures that we recommended from the 8 March. The decision to lift further restrictions at Step 3 has followed a review of the latest data on infection and vaccination rates.

From 17 May, in line with Step 3 of the roadmap, face coverings will no longer be recommended for pupils and students in classrooms or communal areas, in all schools and FE providers. Face coverings will also no longer be recommended for staff in classrooms.



In all schools and FE providers, we continue to recommend that face coverings should be worn by staff and visitors in situations outside of classrooms where social distancing is not possible (for example, when moving around in corridors and communal areas).

All other Covid protocols in school remain the same for the time being: regular home-testing, one-way system, single file, hand-sanitising, year group bubbles and so on.

Apps, games and social media sites

We've reviewed the most popular apps, games and social media sites your kids are using.



Scared by Snapchat? Confused by Clash of Clans? Troubled by TikTok? No idea what I'm talking about?

This year, young people are spending even more time online than they have done before: lockdowns and restrictions on face to face time have all played a part in this.

If you want to know more about any of the games they are playing, or the social media sites and apps they are using, it's worth taking a look at this excellent website. Parents can search for specific apps, games, sites - or just scroll through the long list. There are tips on how you can explore these safely with your children, and ratings to let you know how safe they are:

[NetAware](https://www.net-aware.org.uk/) .

Former Student Shares Passion for Languages

Well done to Ioanna who left us after achieving fantastic GCSE results last summer, to study at Richmond High School Sixth Form. There is a lovely feature about her here, and you can see the Facebook post below:

<https://www.richmondschool.net/ioanna-shares-her-passion-for-languages/>



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IOANNA SHARES HER PASSION FOR LANGUAGES: Ioanna, a Year 12 student, grew up in Greece, moving to England when she was 15. With Greek as her first language, Ioanna has not only become fluent in English, but she is also taking German at A-level, alongside Biology, Maths and Physics. We really enjoyed chatting to Ioanna about her move to England, the differences she has found between the Greek and English cultures, her love of languages and her plans for the future. Enjoy our Q and A with Ioanna below.



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Ioanna shares her passion for languages - Richmond School & Sixth Form College

Year 10s and 11s... Work Experience in Half Term?

GSK's Virtual Work Experience 2021

Tuesday 1st June to Friday 4th June

This UK wide **Virtual Work experience** is now open for applicants.

These limited places are on a first come first serve basis. Apply now!

Please note: This is not to be confused with Barnard Castle's own dedicated work experience programme which will still go ahead in 2021.

What does this experience entail?

GSK's Virtual Work Experience will provide GCSE and A level students with the opportunity to:

Learn about how GSK takes products from molecule to market

Learn about different career opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths

Gain job application hints and tips

Gain an industry-accredited Bronze Industrial Cadets Award

You will need to complete 20 virtual hours between these dates.

Before signing up, please ensure that you are available for the provided dates above.

How to apply:

Please find the link to the student sign up survey

here: <https://survey.gsk.com/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=m8KL998L0>

Please note the Barnard Castle Early Talent Steering Team will still be running the usual work experience GCSE week in July and A Level in October.





GSK Virtual Work Experience

Tues 1st June to Fri 4th June

GSK's Virtual Work Experience 2021 will provide GCSE and A level students (Years 10 to 13) with the opportunity to:

- ✓ Learn about how GSK takes products from molecule to market
- ✓ Learn about different career opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths
- ✓ Gain job application hints and tips
- ✓ Gain an industry-accredited Bronze Industrial Cadets Award



Darlington College Open Event

We are finally opening our doors for our Summer Open Event!!

I have attached a poster for you to share with the students and would be most grateful as always if you can share on your Social Media pages before the big day.

We would love for as many students, parents and staff to attend and will have lots of taster sessions happening across the College.

All the tutors will be available, we will be doing constant tours and there will be food and beverages on sale during the event.

Keep a close eye on our Social Media pages for an upcoming competition too.

Please share and we hope to see you all soon.

Kind Regards

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F1 Mercedes Benz Designer – Latest Alumni Visitor

On Monday morning, twenty lucky Y9 students had the opportunity to meet ex-pupil Jonathan Sadler, who is the lead composite designer at Mercedes Benz where he works on Sir Lewis Hamilton's F1 grand prix racing car. He joined the Benetton F1 team in 1994 working as a technician and the Prost Grand Prix (Paris) in 1998 as the composite design engineer. In 2001 he joined the Arrows Grand Prix, in 2002 the Honda F1 team



and then the Mercedes F1 team where he was promoted to lead composite designer in 2016. He designs most of the composite parts on Lewis Hamilton's car. The students were astounded to learn the Mercedes-AMG Petronas F1 team employs over 1,000 designers on the chassis, 800 engine designers and over 50 working with the team on race day, and that the company has a budget of over £300m at their headquarters outside London. He left the students with the Mercedes motto of PRIDE which stands for passion, respect, innovation, determination and excellence. Jonathan gave all the students signed colour photographs of Sir Lewis Hamilton and Valtteri Bottas as souvenirs.

TUTOR GROUP ASSEMBLIES

Our tutor group assemblies have continued this week. Mrs Woodward's form and Mrs Drysdale's form delivered presentations to Year 7 and Year 8 on the importance of having a healthy mind, and how to look after our wellbeing.

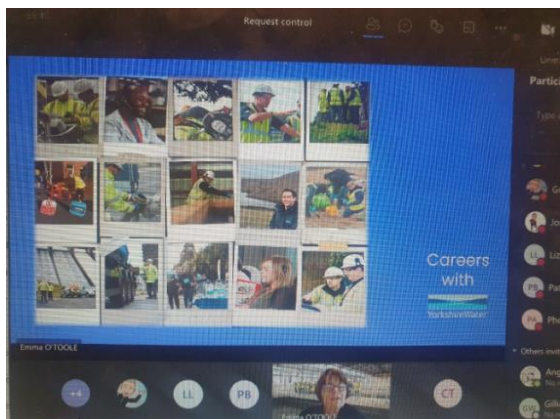
Mrs Bradley's form spoke to the rest of Year 10 about the difference between Banter and Bullying. Thanks to all the students who took part in the presentations, it was great to see such awareness from them around these important messages.



YEAR 9 & 10 CAREERS TALK BHS BIG GARDEN PROJECT

Miss Temple writes:

As part of our Careers termly focus in form time this term, Year 9 and 10 students had an exciting talk from Yorkshire Water this week. During this session they learned about a range of jobs in Yorkshire Water, routes into the industry, what it is like to work for Yorkshire Water and heard from a number of employees about what they enjoy about working for Yorkshire Water.



We would like to pass on a massive thank-you to Bedale Town Council who have given a big boost to this project by approving a grant of £500 to support the ongoing work. Councillors authorised this larger amount (double what Mrs Hall had requested!) noting the importance of our students' mental health, both in general and given the challenges of the last year in particular.

Mrs Hall and the team of volunteers are absolutely delighted by this news...and are already excitedly plotting and planning their future designs!



Are you a budding photographer in years 7-13 living in North Yorkshire?

2022 Calendar Photo Competition “A YEAR IN NORTH YORKSHIRE”

Photos can be taken on any device and need to
represent North Yorkshire.

They can be Landscapes, scenery or street photography,
with no people present – we want to see North Yorkshire
at its best throughout the year!

Closing date 8th October 2021



For more information and to enter:
contact Jayne on **07506 162 231**
or email **Jayne@nyy.org.uk**

T&Cs apply – see www.nyy.org.uk

Poster image is looking from Grinton towards Rosh in Swaledale



YR 11 WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY



NEXT LEVEL

THE MARKETING INDUSTRY IS A PARADOX.

The ability to get into the extremely competitive industry is based heavily upon valid experience, experience that cannot be gained without being in the Industry.

But don't stress, we've got you covered.



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STEP INTO YOUR POTENTIAL

Want to slingshot yourself to the next level? The core pillar of the Marketing Industry is content, and this is the opportunity we are giving you. We're offering you the unique chance to become one of our renewed content generators. Content that you have full creative control over, your design, your skills, your execution. This content ranges from blogs to social media, and even campaign planning with the firm's Executive's if you're feeling brave.

WHAT'S THE CHERRY ON TOP?

In addition to the fantastic opportunity of content generators that will not only develop your skills and give you valuable insight into the Marketing Industry, but if we like it, we'll publish it. This means that we are giving you all 4 off our companies as permanent platforms to demonstrate your ability and skill. As if this wasn't enough, if your content gets published, you can detail us as a reference on your CV. Having a reference like YOLO on your CV is an extremely strong foot in the door. Oh, and how could we forget? We will also be offering voluntary placements to students that continue to impress us with their ability and innovative creation.

WHAT'S THE PLAN FOR AFTER?

As an online retailer that's rapidly expanding and always will, we're constantly looking for new and uniquely skilled people to join our team. Ranging from Customer Service to Sales & Marketing Apprenticeships to Finance, expanding our vibrant team is a firm goal here. Get involved, you never know, you may be handpicked to work with us here.

Keen?

Scan in our QR code to apply

