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



Farewell to the Class of 2021



It's come earlier than usual this year, but today was the last day of timetabled lessons for our lovely Year 11s. I must say that they really will be missed - they are such a lovely year group and have really won our hearts through the way they have responded to a very challenging final year, culminating in assessments and a second round of PPEs.

Today has been a fantastic farewell occasion, with Miss Temple doing an amazing job of pulling together some memorable videos in their final assembly this afternoon. Last Friday, we had the staff vs Yr 11 football match to mark the occasion of them leaving. I would love to spout on here about how our wiser, older heads prevailed and taught those cocky young whippersnappers a valuable footballing lesson. The truth is they killed us! I have never felt so old and so immobile! I think the final score was 8-6



to the boys, but only because we cheated shamelessly at every opportunity. Staff were not helped by what I can only describe as a very partisan crowd of baying students...I haven't witnessed anything like that since I last watched Gladiator! Well done fellas. I suppose.

Back to today, the students completed their final exam and then enjoyed a slightly longer lunchtime before going into their farewell assembly. We treated them to BHS Cup Cakes - specially themed for the occasion, and then forced them to sit through our attempts to create a moving and humorous farewell video. I can't share this on Facebook...but if I was to tell you that one scene involved Mr Gill and I lipsyncing a duet to the backing tune of 'I had the time of my life'...you'll get the general idea! Other highlights included a staff choreographed dance (I use these last two words in the very loosest sense), and a film of staff sharing their lessons learned from thinking back to their 16-year-old selves. Massive thanks go to staff for their willingness to take part, and to Miss Temple and Mrs Woodward for pulling it all together. I hope that once they get past the 'cringe factor' - the Year 11s can manage to appreciate our efforts!

Well done to all of these students for making it through such a tough time; they have responded brilliantly and I know that they are well-placed to succeed in their chosen pathways. I hope to be inviting many of them back within a few years, as part of our Alumni network, so that we can share their success as an inspiration to our students.



Timetable Change for Year 9s

With Year 11s leaving, we are going to change the timings of the day for Year 9 from Monday 7th June so that they will follow the same timings as the Year 10 bubble. This will further ease congestion over both lunchtimes and breaktimes, and mean less queuing/waiting time for Year 7, 8 and 9. Timings for each year group are shown here, but only Year 9 are affected by this change.

	Tutor Time (T)	Period 1 (60 mins Lesson)	Period 2 (80 minutes in total) (60 mins in lesson and 20 mins break)		Period 3 (60 mins Lesson)	Period 4 is 100 minutes in total: 65 mins in lesson (inc PM Register) and 35 mins for lunch		Period 5 (60 mins lesson)	End of the Day (E)
Timings	8.30- 9.05	9.05-10.05	10.05-11.25		11.25-12.25	12.25-2.05		2.05-3.00/2.05-3.05	
Year 7	Т	P1 – 60 mins	Brk 10.05-10.25	P2 - 10.25-11.25	P3 - 60 mins	Lunch 12.25-1.00	P4 1.00 – 2.05	P5 – 55 mins	E - 3pm
Year 8	Т	P1 – 60 mins	Brk 10.05-10.25	P2 - 10.25-11.25	P3 - 60 mins	Lunch 12.25-1.00	P4 1.00 – 2.05	P5 – 55 mins	E - 3pm
Year 9	Т	P1 – 60 mins	P2 10.05-11.05	Brk 11.05-11.25	P3 - 60 mins	P4 12.25 – 1.30	Lunch 1.30-2.05	P5 – 60 mins	E - 3.05pm
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Year 10	Т	P1 – 60 mins	P2 10.05-11.05	Brk 11.05-11.25	P3 - 60 mins	P4 12.25 – 1.30	Lunch 1.30-2.05	P5 – 60 mins	E - 3.05pm

Alumni Visit

Ex-pupil Andrew Keeble was talking to 16 Y7 pupils on Monday about his time at school and success in business. He left school with no GCSEs aged 15 and lives locally with wife Debbie. Both came from farming families and they started making their own sausages in their 30s in 1999 and on a joint income of only £250 a week, with four kids to support. They farmed by day and made Debbie & Andrew's sausages at night selling at farmer's markets around the country. In 2005 they sold the brand for £140m.

In April 2013, they launched Heck sausages and now have 60% market share with their tasty, high quality products and cheeky branding. Heck is now the biggest independent sausage brand in the UK with a £35m turnover. Andrew explained the difficulties he had at school with dyslexia but soon realised, after a year working on a horse ranch in Montana after leaving school, that hard work was the key to success. He told the pupils that 'you won't be good at anything unless you enjoy it and a smile and good manners goes a long, long way.' He explained that one of the joys about



owning the business is being able to help others and he went on to chat about the work Heck does with testicular and prostate cancer charities.

The partnership with Bedale AFC has helped raise £187,770.96 via Team Garby Just Giving from sponsored cycle rides and the sale of the iconic sausage, hot dog, bangers and mash and carrot football kits. His final motto was 'you may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don't try.'

My Big Career - Feedback from the interviews last week

I thought it would be nice to share this very positive feedback from Yr 8 and Yr 9 students following their careers interviews last week. Thanks again to Miss Temple for doing such a brilliant job in organising this event.



Student Feedback

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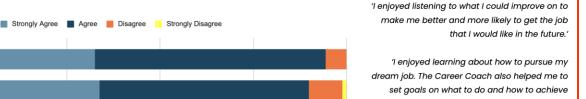
The event met my expectations

nt will help me to achieve my future goals

Bedale High School Year 8/9 1:1 Career Guidance 18th & 19th May 2021

Total Students: 88 Total No of Volunteers: 13 Total Volunteer hours: 38 hours

Student Quotes



them. They also gave me advice on what I could do to start to get there, and what I'd need to get there. They also said what subjects in school I would need to pass to start my career.'

Tve enjoyed talking to someone about my career, and telling them what I enjoy and what I would like to do in the future.'

I enjoyed the ability to see and speak to someone and also enjoyed how they had job experience and gave advice on that, as well as other options that I could take.'

'I enjoyed being able to express my feelings about why I want to go into the careers that I have chosen.'

Year 10 PPEs Parent Information Evening

25%

50%

75%

Mr Gill and Mr Kelly are inviting Year 10 parents to a scheduled Zoom meeting to receive more information about the upcoming Year 10 exams, and how you can work with school to support your child through this period. Please see the time, date and link below:

Topic: Year 10 PPEs

Time: May 28, 2021 6:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87697829408?pwd=

1NNb0Vzc3hDTGdKWWVVcS9RSCt6UT09

Meeting ID: 876 9782 9408

Passcode: Lb3R7i

Lunch Vouchers Over Half Term

Families who are eligible for Free School Meals will be receiving their £15 Co-Op gift cards shortly.

As with previous school holidays, we are again able to support a small number of families (who are not traditionally eligible) with gift cards too. If there are any eligible students who have not been given vouchers in school today - they will be in the post and should arrive in the next day or two.

Please email Alison Knight if you have any questions or gueries over the cards:

knighta@bedalehighschool.org.uk .

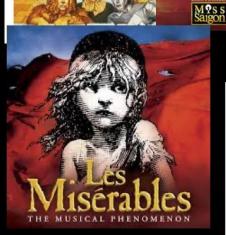


MUSICAL THEATRE CLUB



EVERY MONDAY BEGINNING
7TH JUNE 2021
1505 - 1630
MAIN HALL

OPEN TO ALL YEARS!





Festival of School and College Arts - Friday 28th May 2021



Today we are supporting EduArtsFest as part of the Nationwide 'Festival of School and College Arts'. Take a look at our School Facebook and Instagram pages which will be flooded with images of our students excelling across the Creative Arts!



Yr 9 and Yr 10 Duke of Edinburgh Award

Please read the attached letter for important dates and information about your training days.

Please follow the link to a national campaign to lobby the Government to provide funds to pay for some counselling provision to be available in every school & college, as we believe that embedding school counsellors in every school is essential:

https://www.bacp.co.uk/news/campaigns/
school-counselling/