



# BEDALE HIGH SCHOOL

Courage

Commitment

Compassion

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Your child's Form Tutor:

Pastoral Support Team:

Miss Bradbury (Head of KS3):

Miss Temple (Head of KS4):

Subject Teacher:

Curriculum Queries (Mr Gill):

SEND & Inclusion Queries (Mrs Knight):

General Queries:

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## Fantastic Performance!

### Primary Outreach Drama performance of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat

On Tuesday this week, we welcomed pupils from Masham, Thornton Watlass, Crakehall and Burneston Primary Schools to take part in our big rehearsal and performance event day at Bedale High School.

BHS students across Years 8 to 11 worked alongside pupils in Years 5 and 6 on the same stage to develop their characterisation, vocal and teamwork skills.

This event had previously been rescheduled from the summer term and the students involved did a tremendous job in remembering their words, movements and characters as we put the entire show together during the day.

Special mention to Maddie and Hannah in Year 11 who skilfully and professionally mastered operation of the radio mics on the day, ensuring that all vocals had clarity on the night.

The evening performance was attended in full by proud parents, family and staff of the students involved. What a way to start the year!

Congratulations to everyone involved and a huge thankyou to our primary colleagues and to Mrs Woodward for making this happen. It is exactly the sort of collaboration we want to do more of, and this is why we now have a series of events planned into the calendar for this year, where we will be working with primary schools to benefit their students, but also to provide more experiences, activities and leadership opportunities for our own.



## School Car Park






Please can I remind parents to avoid dropping off/collecting in the school car park at the start and end of each school day. The reasons for this are mainly around health and safety. We want to avoid situations where more traffic is around at the same time as students are arriving in school. It is all too easy to not see a child when you are reversing, or for a child to not notice a car backing out etc. Also, we only have a small carpark, and while teachers are usually in school well before 8.30, we have a number of staff who are not contracted to start until a bit later. They struggle to get into the car park when it is blocked with other vehicles. Finally, we have a lot of work going on in and around the site at the moment, which means more contractors' vehicles needing access to the school car park. Many thanks for your assistance with this.

## Bus Issue: No. 73

We have been informed that the additional 73 bus that ran through last year has now been pulled. I have been in contact with both Proctors (who run this service) and North Yorks Passenger Transport. Unfortunately, because this is a wholly commercial service, it falls outside the responsibility for NY Passenger Transport. And because Northallerton technically falls outside our school catchment area, we are not entitled to a school bus to be provided. It has resulted in a very crowded bus, and a longer waiting time at the end of the school day for these students (since it does not arrive until about 3.35pm). I have been assured that Proctors are now trying to use a bigger vehicle when they can. And I have also put in a request to see if they can change the pickup timetable at the end of the day to bring it forward. I will keep you up to date on any developments.

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD HAS A FACE-COVERING TO WEAR ON THE BUS TO AND FROM SCHOOL**

## Extra-Curricular Taster Day



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*This is one way in which we promote, celebrate interests and break down students' mental barriers.*

**The Extra – Curricular Taster Fair.**  
**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021.**

All students and staff will be off timetable and taking part in this event.

The Taster Fair will showcase the fantastic clubs that we offer and will have a laid back feel to it rather than 'a lesson being taught.'

Students will be asked to choose their top 6 clubs that they would like to attend. They will attend 3 of these. Each club activity lasting 1hr.

Lesson 1 and 2 – as normal  
Lesson 3, 4 & 5- Extra-Curricular Taster Fair

**COURAGE****COMMITMENT****COMPASSION**



# Annual Asthma Update

Please be aware that a letter has been sent home to all parents and guardians of those students who have asthma or use a reliever inhaler. The letter contains two forms that need to be filled in and dropped off at the main school office as soon as possible. Please make sure that all inhalers and asthma medication is clearly labelled with your child's name and form class. If your child already has an inhaler or other asthma medication in school, you will be contacted by us as it nears its expiry date. Please be aware that our School Asthma Policy asks that all students have a spare inhaler held in school at all times should theirs be lost or run out. The parents and guardians of those students without a spare inhaler were contacted before the summer holiday to make them aware. If you have not yet brought a spare inhaler into school for your child, then please do so as soon as possible. If your child has been newly diagnosed with asthma or any other medical condition then please make school aware so we can update our medical records. Any queries please direct contact Miss Armstrong

[armstrongv@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:armstrongv@bedalehighschool.org.uk)

# Yr 8 Geography Field Trip to Malham

A reminder to parents / carers of Yr 8 students that the deadline for payment via ParentPay for the forthcoming fieldtrip to Malham is Tuesday 28th September, and those students in receipt of Free School Meals wishing to pre-order a packed lunch (up to the value of £2.50) need to do this by Monday 27th September. Please contact Mr Childe with any queries about this trip: [childea@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:childea@bedalehighschool.org.uk).

# Yr 11 Media NEA Catch-Up

Mrs Cann is going to run Yr 11 Media NEA catch up sessions from next Friday (24th Sept). She will be contacting some parents directly about students who must attend, but any of her media students will be welcome. The sessions will run in the Hub.

# North Yorks – Parent Support

These courses are free to North Yorks parents!

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD  
SOLIHULL APPROACH

NHS

Transformed the way I respond to the kids

Every parent could benefit from this course!

Reassured me I'm already taking the right approach

NEW TERM  
NEW START  
NEW LEARNING  
FOR PARENTS TOO!

online courses available 24/7  
prepaid access for residents in eligible areas

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- Understanding your pregnancy, birth, labour and your baby
- Understanding your baby
- Understanding your child (main course)
- Understanding your child with additional needs (main course)
- Understanding your child's feelings (taster course)
- Understanding your child's brain (short course)
- Understanding your brain (for teenagers only!)
- Understanding your child's mental health and wellbeing (accompanies UYC and UYCAD)

## What's Coming Up? Events This Half-Term

| DATE                                                 | EVENT                                        | AUDIENCE                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 17 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup><br>September      | Duke of Edinburgh Expedition for Year 11     | Yr 11 DofE students (this is the rearranged one from last term)                                                                                                                          |
| 20 <sup>th</sup><br>September<br>Period 3-5          | Extra-Curricular Taster Afternoon            | All students will choose 3 taster activity sessions to encourage them to become involved in extra-curricular activities                                                                  |
| 20 <sup>th</sup><br>September<br>11.05 - 11.30       | Teenage Cancer Trust - Student Bake Sale     | We are looking for students to run and support this event by baking and bringing cakes and other sweet treats along to school on this day to sell at breaktime.                          |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup><br>September<br>18.00               | BHS Open Evening                             | Year 5 and Year 6 pupils with parents                                                                                                                                                    |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup><br>September<br>(during school day) | QE Taster Day                                | Year 11 students                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> - 24 <sup>th</sup><br>September     | Duke of Edinburgh Expedition for Year 10     | Yr 10 DofE students (this is the rearranged one from last term)                                                                                                                          |
| 30 <sup>th</sup><br>September<br>(Timings tbc)       | Year 7 Settling-In Evening                   | For Year 7 Parents                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Deadline:<br>1 <sup>st</sup> October                 | BHS Official Calendar Competition            | Theme: Courage, Commitment, Compassion. We are looking for photos of students achieving through excelling in and enjoying their own areas of interest both inside and outside of school. |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> October<br>(during school day)       | Geography Field Trip to Malham               | Year 8 Geography students                                                                                                                                                                |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> October                             | Primary School Enrichment Day at BHS (DRAMA) | Year 4 & 5 students from our surrounding primary schools.                                                                                                                                |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> October                             | Restart A Heart Day                          | Year 7 students                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> October                             | Blood Brothers Performance - Bradford        | Yr 11 Drama students                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> October                             | Year 7 Self-Study Support Evening            | Year 7 Parents                                                                                                                                                                           |

### Yr 11 Science Revision Plans

Mrs Faint, the new Head of Science and Technology, will be sharing plans with Year 11 students and parents over the coming weeks on how we will be using Seneca to support students in their exam preparation. This is a revision support resource that schools and students can use, and the Science staff will be utilising it as a core part of their 'Review and Revise' plan for students. More details to follow soon.

### Yr 11 GCSE Information Evening

Thank you to all parents and students who attended this event last night. It was lovely to see everyone in person, rather than through Zoom! We had some fantastic feedback on the breakout support sessions with staff, and I hope that the advice and guidance that was shared can act as a reassurance to families of the support that will be on offer throughout Yr 11.



# Open Evening...Please share with any primary school parents!



## Bedale High School



### Open Evening

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021**  
**1800**

For the last four years we have worked tirelessly with our amazing students and their families to put our school at the heart of the community and to provide a sense of educational rigour, opportunity and challenge, often outperforming several of our larger competitors in the surrounding area.

As a school, community is everything to us and as our links with the local community continue to develop and grow so do the opportunities for our students to become caring, selfless and proactive individuals.

As a direct result of the many exciting, innovative and challenging initiatives that have risen out of this past year, our students have thrived – their wellbeing fully supported and their interests, passions and skills both in school and out, celebrated.

Student Leadership features heavily in day-to-day life at Bedale High School with numerous opportunities encouraged for students across all year groups to develop key skills through roles as School and Subject Ambassadors, Peer and Sports

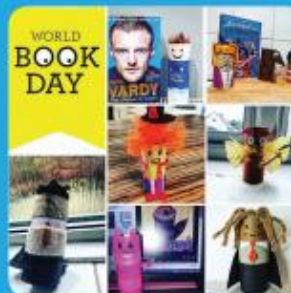
leaders, members of the Healthy Schools Team and the School Council.

Our core values of courage, commitment and compassion are highly evident within our extra-curricular programme which aims to offer every single student the opportunity to explore and develop skills across many different areas, forge friendships and shine in their own unique way.

We are proud to offer a rolling programme of whole school theatrical production during the academic year. Through additional drama activities such as rehearsals for productions, assembly performances, outreach workshops and presentation evenings, our students are offered the opportunity to develop key skills in teamwork, confidence, commitment, personal resilience, vocal and performance technique, backstage management, lighting, sound, costume and set design.

Parents and Carers with children in years 5 and 6 are invited to attend our open evening and we will show you why we are among the **top performing schools in North Yorkshire.**

- We are in the top 25% of schools in North Yorkshire
- Northern Echo Educational Award Finalists 2021
- French, Art, Triple Science and Geography GCSE results in the top 10% nationally
- We are the current Under 16 Football County Champions
- We achieved the Healthy Schools Bronze Award in 2021
- We currently have 58 students working towards their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award from Years 10 and 11.





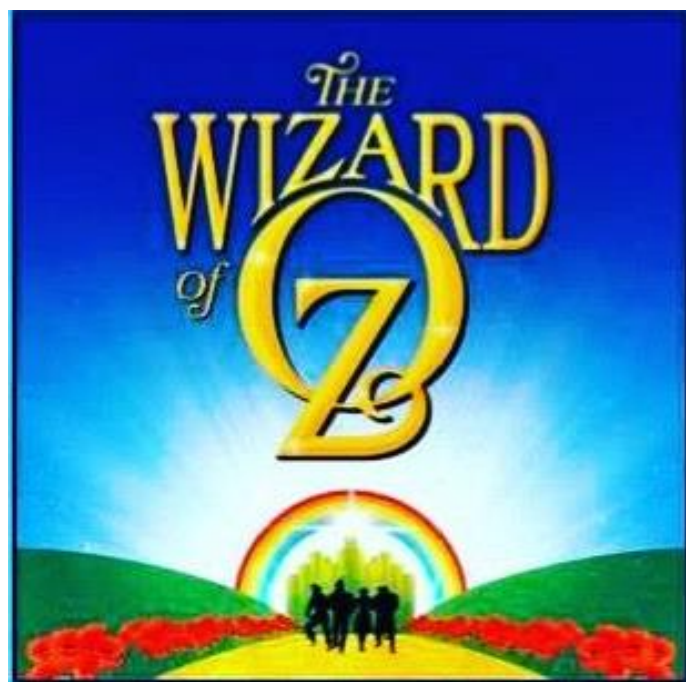
# Wizard of Oz Rehearsals

Rehearsals begin next week in the main hall for our whole school production of The Wizard of Oz:

- Monday 20th September from 15.05 -1630 -Whole Cast rehearsal
- Wednesday 21st September from 1505 - 1630 -Whole Cast Rehearsal
- Thursday 22nd September from 1505 - 1630 - Principal Characters only.

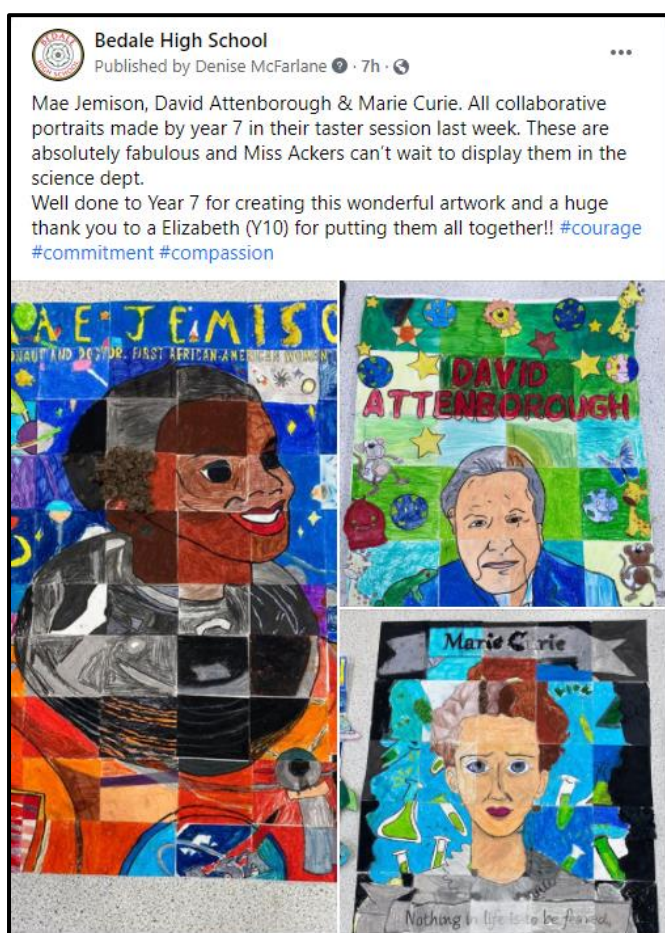
All parents of students involved will receive a full rehearsal schedule by the beginning of next week.

Any queries should be directed to Mrs. Woodward via [woodl@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:woodl@bedalehighschool.org.uk)



## Fabulous Yr 7 Art!

## Student Bake Sale



## Student Bake Sale

Monday 20th  
September 2021



Morning Break in the Main Hall





**Do you have a few  
hours to spare?**

**Would you like to engage and  
connect more with our school  
community?**

**Do you have some great ideas  
for fundraising and events?**

**We are looking for parent volunteers to  
become part of Bedale High School's  
newly formed Parent Teacher Association (PTA).**

**It isn't just serving tea at events - maybe you can sew or create costumes for  
our productions, run a stall at one of our events, help with set up or take down  
or just pitch in with some ideas.**

**It's about developing and celebrating our brilliant  
School COMMUNITY!**

**We meet on the first Monday of each month at Bedale High School  
from 1700 - 1800.**

**For further information or to express your interest, email  
[woodl@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:woodl@bedalehighschool.org.uk) OR just turn up to a meeting!**

