



BEDALE HIGH SCHOOL

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Friday 22nd October 2021

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Miss Temple (Head of KS4):

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Covid Update

Vaccinations for 12-15 year olds

The Schools Age Immunisation Service (SAIS) came into school yesterday to administer Covid vaccinations to students where parents have given their consent. Unfortunately, they were not able to send a big enough team of staff and therefore will have to come back on another day to vaccinate the students on the list who could not be done yesterday. As soon as we have confirmation of this date, we will share it with parents. Parents with queries about the vaccinations should please contact the SAIS team using the details on the attached letter from last week's newsletter which can be seen here: [Covid-12-15-Letter-for-E-Consent-Oct-21-DDT.pdf \(bedalehighschool.org.uk\)](#) . The Department for Education have also confirmed this week that parents will soon be able to take 12-15-year-old children for vaccinations at other venues outside school. We await further information on this and will share it when we have it.

Positive Covid Cases

The recent decline in positive cases amongst our students has continued into this week and at the time of writing, we are down to single figures of confirmed positive cases. This is a significant improvement just 2 weeks ago when we had almost 80 cases at one point. As positive as this news is - it remains important that we continue to follow the reinstated measures for the time being. This will be reviewed wc 1st November, but they will remain in place for the first week when we return to school.

Home Testing

Please see the attached letter that has been sent to parents this week at the request of the Department for Education. It asks families to continue home-testing.

Miss Riley-Fox is happy to help you with any questions or concerns that you may have around this: rileyfl@bedalehighschool.org.uk .

E-Safety

We continue to update the E-safety section of the school website with information that we hope will be useful to parents. The latest addition is a useful guide to Understanding Screen Addiction and Responsible Digital Use. It can be seen here:

[E-Safety > Bedale High School](#)



Virtual Careers Talks

Meet the pathologists - virtual careers talks for 13 - 18 year olds on Wednesdays in November

If you're between 13 and 18 years of age and interested in a career in medicine or science, attend one of our virtual careers talks in November. These sessions, to be held on Wednesdays throughout the month, will give you the chance to learn more about what pathologists and clinical scientists do and what it is like to work in this fascinating area.

Wednesday sessions on 3, 7, and 10 November will be held at 4pm.

Each session will run for 30 minutes and be followed by a 15-minute Q&A where students will be able to ask questions.

Sign up through Eventbrite at the links below; it's a quick online registration and you'll be sent a Zoom link closer to the date.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-pathologists-virtual-careers-talks-for-13-18-year-olds-tickets-160732682781>

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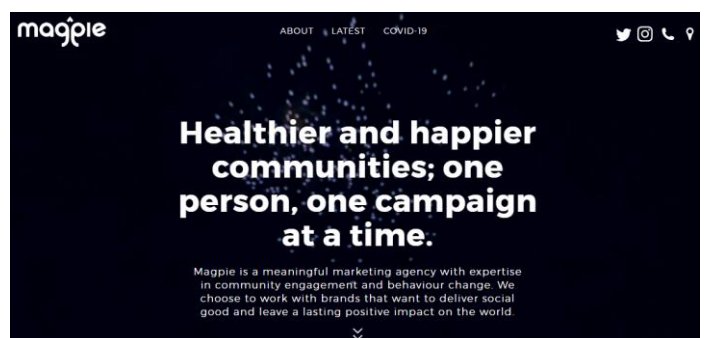
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Spreading Kindness

7SCH/ACE are embarking upon a kindness and compassion challenge this half-term holiday. It is in conjunction with <https://www.wearemagpie.com/>, aiming to deliver a social media campaign called 'Looking out for each other'. This is an NHS campaign to help promote a sense of community coming out of the pandemic.

Students are encouraged to write down, draw or film their ideas about how to spread the kindness. There is potentially a gift voucher available from We_are_magpie for content produced and students must submit their ideas/actions to Mr Childe via Satchel One, so that he can share them with NYCC. We look forward to sharing these ideas with you in a couple of weeks!



STEM Club

Miss Jennison writes:

For the last two weeks in STEM club we have been making and testing different types of paper aeroplanes. We have investigated different

variables such as shape and material. We then had competitions to see whose flew furthest. Great fun was had by all!

STEM Club runs every Tuesday in Lab 6/7.

For the full extra-curricular timetable, please click here:

<https://bedalehighschool.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Extra-curricular-timetable-2021-UPDATED.pdf>



Self-Study Support Evening

Thank you to all those parents who attended this virtual event last night with Mr Wild and Mr Gill.

If you were unable to attend, you can access the recording of the event here:

[Self Study Support Presentation](#)

New Meal Deal

After half term we will be introducing a new sandwich meal deal.

It will consist of a £1.45 sandwich a large bottle of water and a piece of fruit for £2.50.

It will be subject to availability.



Restart A Heart Day

Mr Childe writes: Last Friday, Bedale High School joined around 100 schools from across Yorkshire in holding the annual Restart A Heart Day. This year, every single Year 7 student took part in the event, which also ties in with the work that they have been doing in PSHE around 'Transition and Safety'.

The students showed a lot of commitment as they were trained in what to do when they come across someone who has had a cardiac arrest - and how to deliver CPR which could potentially save their life.

There have been several high-profile instances in the media this year where CPR has indeed saved someone's life - and hopefully the training given last week will provide our students with the confidence and courage to deliver CPR to someone if they needed to.



It was a great day, and we were fortunate to have the expertise of 9 volunteers from external organisations, including St John's Ambulance, local community first responders and the police to support the delivery of this important lifesaving training. Students were also given an opportunity to speak to volunteers about their own training and experiences which links in with our careers education programme.

I must add that the feedback I have had from David Emison and his team of volunteers who delivered the training was extremely positive and showed that they have really enjoyed visiting our school again - and they were particularly impressed by how well behaved, engaged and enthusiastic our students were!



What's Coming Up?

DATE	EVENT	AUDIENCE
20 th October	Blood Brothers Performance - Bradford	Yr 11 Drama students
21 st October	Self-Study Support Evening	Year 7-9 Parents: Please use Teams link that you will receive via text message or on this newsletter.
3 rd November	Year 11 PPE Information Evening (probably virtual)	Year 11 parents and students
10 th November	Primary Schools Enrichment Day	Primary Students
11 th November	Presentation Evening	Year 8-11 students and parents, plus Yr 11 leavers
12 th November	Remembrance Day Service - Ripon Cathedral	Services Families Students
24 th November	Year 9 Parent Evening	Year 9 parents and students
WC 6 th December	Year 11 PPEs begin (1 week later than previously mentioned)	Year 11 Students
5 th Jan 2022	Year 11 Parent Evening* (Moved from 3 rd November so that it can include feedback from PPEs).	Year 11 Parents and Students

**Post 16 Information Evening postponed from 14th October - date tbc in summer term.*

***Blood Brothers trip did not happen and should have been removed from this table a few weeks ago...we were unable to secure tickets! Apologies for the confusion.*

All events subject to change depending on Covid-19 situation

Does your child have a part time job?

With lots of employers struggling for workers due to Covid related absences, there have been reports that some organisations are targeting school children to fill the gaps. Most people would see the potential benefits to be gained from a young person having some early experience of a working environment, learning new skills and earning some money and an element of independence. But some parents may not be aware of the guidance from the Gov.uk website around this - we are sharing some summative info and a link here.

Term Time Rules:

Children can only work a maximum of 12 hours per week. This includes:

- A maximum of 2 hours on school days and Sundays
- A maximum of 5 hours on Saturdays for 13-14-year-olds, or 8 hours for 15 to 16-year-olds.

Further information can be found at this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/child-employment/restrictions-on-child-employment>

Please check especially with Year 10 and Year 11 students that they are not over-committing to part-time jobs to the detriment of their school studies.

Free School Meal Students

Any students who are entitled to free school meals who have had to self-isolate for 10 days this half term due to Covid will soon be reimbursed for this period with a £25 Co-Op voucher. This should reach you during the half-term holiday.

We have asked for guidance around whether there is any support for FSM students over this week's holiday. The Local Authority have said there is no new information available at the moment, but to signpost parents to this website if they are struggling to cover the costs of basic essentials:

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/local-assistance-fund>

Rotary Shoebox Campaign

Through the Shoebox Campaign, it is our mission to spread a little happiness to disadvantaged children and adults in Eastern Europe. We can do this by sending Rotary Shoeboxes full of donated gifts, filled by our students and their families which are then dispatched by Rotary for distribution in the receiving country. The deadline for returning your filled shoebox is Friday 5th November 2021.

Remembrance Artwork

Miss Ackers is organising several Remembrance Art displays and is looking for lots of artwork to display both within school and around the local community.

The artwork can take any form - colourful paintings, digital art, 3D sculptures, drawings etc.

All artwork should be submitted to Miss Ackers by Monday 8th November 2021.



Yr 11 PPE Information Evening

This event will take place virtually on 3rd November at 6pm. It is a really useful evening for parents of Yr 11 students to help them support their children in advance of the important PPEs that commence in December. These exams have shown us over the year that they play a crucial role in preparing students for their actual GCSEs in the summer. We hope you can join us - use the link here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87469607355?pwd=bkRqdWJWN1R0TXN4T3NlSm56cHUyUT09>

Meeting ID: 874 6960 7355

Passcode: fk93nU

Cheese, Gin and Chocolate Event - Friday 19th November 2021

Our 'Cheese, Gin and Chocolate evening' will take you on a fabulous journey to tickle the tastebuds, inspire the mind and provide the perfect opportunity to socialise with friends! Newly formed duo, 'Arcade', featuring local singer/ songwriter and Bedale High School alumni, Freddie Cleary will be providing live music on the night and there will be demonstrations and talks by local Chocolatier and Pastry Chef, Ben Ellis and Taplin and Mageean (part of the Wensleydale Spirit Company.)

Tickets are priced at £20.00 and include a full cold buffet of meats, breads, cheeses and pickles as well as a welcome G&T on arrival (or soft drink equivalent).

There will be a cash bar at the event and a raffle with some fabulous prizes. All proceeds from this event will go to Bedale High School's, Main Hall refurbishment project.

This event is open to our school and the wider local community. Everyone is welcome! Tickets can be secured online via the link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cheese-gin-and-chocolate-evening-tickets-174984923617>

Bedale High School Pumpkin Carving Competition

One of the ways in which we as a community school like to stay connected with our students and their families during the holiday is by sharing photographs of activities and things that our students get up to when not in school. This half term, we are staging 'The Great Pumpkin Carving Competition' and we are asking our students across all years to take photos of their spooky carved pumpkins and send them in so that we can share and celebrate them via our school social media pages.

Please send all photographs to woodl@bedalehighschool.org.uk

The top three pumpkin designs will receive a spooktacular chocolate themed prize!



Parent Support Role: Grant Applications

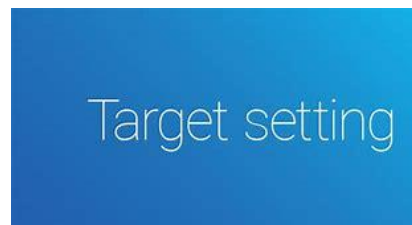
As part of our ongoing improvement plans, we are always looking at ways of upgrading and improving our site. Unfortunately, small rural schools like ours are often bottom of the list when it comes to prioritising funding for such projects.

Grants and funding streams are available, but we simply do not have the staff capacity to spend time on these applications.

If any parent or friend of the school has relevant experience in this area and would like to help us by looking into this work - we would welcome the support. One of our co-chairs on the governing board does have a lot of experience in this area and would be happy to support with relevant guidance and direction. If you would like to find out more, please email admin@bedalehighschool.org.uk.

CAT Tests for Year 7 and Year 8 Students

Next half term these students will be completing Cognitive Ability Tests (CATs) in school.



We have not done these in the past, but given that neither of these year groups completed their SATS tests in Year 6, it is essential that we can now secure some externally validated baseline data to help inform our setting of GCSE target grades for these students.

CATS are commonly used in secondary schools. They assess verbal, non-verbal, quantitative and spatial reasoning, and provide us with an accurate analysis of potential student achievement.

Mr Gill will send out further information after half term in advance of the tests.

Bedale Beacon: First Issue Launched!

Well done to Mr Chapman and his team of student journalists who have been working on the launch of a school newspaper this half term. The first issue is now in print and covers a wide breadth of material from anti-racism articles to a photograph feature of Yorkshire's greatest sights.

It will be on the website soon and a link will follow in a forthcoming issue of this newsletter. Well done to all the contributors, many of whom have never written anything for such a wide audience before.



Year 11 PPEs Timetable



Year 11 PPE Timetable – December 2021

Date	Subjects	Start time 9:00am	Start time from 11.30am
December Monday 6th	Maths Paper 1 (Non-Calculator) Biology French / German Listening	Maths Paper 1: 9.00-10.30 (90 mins)	Triple Biology: 11.30-13.15 (105 mins) Double Biology: 11.30-12.45 (75 mins) START TIME: 14:05 – 15:05
Tuesday 7th	French / German Writing History	French German Writing: 9.00-10.15 (75mins)	History: 11.30-12.30 (60 mins)
Wednesday 8th	Citizenship Maths 2 (Calculator)	Citizenship: 9.00–10.45 (105mins)	Maths Paper 2: 11.30-13.00 (90 mins)
Thursday 9th	English Literature Chemistry	English Literature: 9.00-10.45 (105 mins)	Triple Chemistry: 11.30-13.15 (105 mins) Double Chemistry: 11.30-12.45 (75 mins)
Friday 10th	Maths Paper 3 (Calculator) Geography	Maths Paper 3: 9.00-10.30 (90 mins)	Geography: 11.30 – 13:00 (90 mins)
Monday 13th	English Language Physics	English Language: 9.00-10.45 (105 mins)	Triple Physics: 11.30-13.15 (105 mins) Double Physics – 11.30-12.45 (75 mins)
Tuesday 14th	French / German Reading Information Technology	French / German Reading: 9.00-10:00 (60mins)	Information Technology: 11.30-13.15 (105 mins)
Wednesday 15th	Computer Science Media Studies	Computer Science: 9.00-10.30 (90 mins)	Media Studies: 11:30 – 12:45pm (75 mins)

Drama: Tuesday 23rd November All Day Textiles: Monday 29th November P1-3 Art: Wednesday 1st December P1-3
Music / Sports Studies / Physical Education: Assessment will take place during lesson time.

Food Preparation & Nutrition: NEA will take place during lesson time: Thursday 16th December P1-4

Year 11 Students: You should ensure that you have all the necessary equipment with you for every exam.



CHEESE, GIN AND CHOCOLATE EVENING

FRIDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2021
1930 - 2145

**OUR VERY FIRST PTFA EVENT OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR OPEN TO ALL
PARENTS, FRIENDS AND MEMBERS OF THE WIDER LOCAL BEDALE
COMMUNITY.**

TICKETS: £20.00

ALL TICKETS INCLUDE A WELCOME G&T ON ARRIVAL AND A FULL COLD BUFFET OF
MEATS, BREADS AND CHEESES.

LOCAL CHOCOLATIER, BEN ELLIS WILL BE PROVIDING A TALK AND DEMONSTRATION
BASED ON INFUSING ALCOHOL WITH CHOCOLATE AND **TAPLIN & MAGEEAN (PART OF
THE WENSLEYDALE SPIRIT COMPANY)** WILL BE TALKING ABOUT POPULAR GIN
PAIRINGS AND FLAVOURINGS.



LIVE MUSIC WILL BE PROVIDED BY NEWLY FORMED DUO, **'ARCADE'**,
FEATURING LOCAL SINGER/SONGWRITER, **FREDDIE CLEARY**.

Tickets can be secured via Eventbrite:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cheese-gin-and-chocolate-evening-tickets-174984923617>



All proceeds will go to Bedale High
School and their Main Hall
refurbishment project.



Bedale High School

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Friday 12th November 2021
1730 - 1930
 Free Entry

Come along for an evening of Christmas shopping, great food, festive music!

All proceeds go towards the Main School Hall Refurbishment Project.



BEDALE HIGH SCHOOL HALF TERM PUMPKIN CARVING CHALLENGE

Carve your pumpkin and share a photo via woodl@bedalehighschool.org.uk

The top three carved pumpkins will receive a spooky chocolate prize!

COURAGE COMMITMENT COMPASSION



Rotary Shoebox Appeal

Pick up an empty shoebox from Mrs Woodward Thursday 21st October.

Return it to school by 12th November 2021.

What to include -

There are 4 types of boxes you can create:

1. Toys for boys & girls
2. Baby and New Mothers (up to the age of 12 months)
3. Teenager (up to the age of 18)
4. Household (for older folk and families)

Don't forget to decorate your shoebox and **attach £2.00** - this contributes to the transport by air of boxes to Eastern Europe.

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CHRISTMAS CHOIR

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIMES

IN THE DRAMA STUDIO
 All Welcome to attend!

CHRISTMAS CHOIR DPC

COURAGE COMMITMENT COMPASSION

Remembrance Day Art Task

In honour of Remembrance Day, we would like as much artwork as possible to display within school & the local community.

Your artwork can take any form - colourful paintings, 3d sculptures, digital art etc but please make sure your artwork is respectful.

Please give your artwork to Miss Ackers by Monday 8th November.

