# **CENTRAL**NEWS



April-May 23

#### A WARM WELCOME

Hello and a very warm welcome to the Spring edition of Central News. We welcomed children back into school this week and are ready for a successful new term.

We want to use this newsletter as a way to share the achievements of our students and staff, plus keep you up to date with the latest developments at school. Please note that school will be closed to all students apart from year 11s this Thursday, 27 April and Tuesday, 2 May due to teacher strikes.

If you have anything that you would like to see in the newsletter please do get in touch. Contact details can be found on the back page.





# STUDENTS WIN PRESTIGIOUS COMPETITION

A group of Year 10 students beat off 18 teams to win first place at the prestigious Maths Feast Challenge. The competition saw the students go up against other teams in four rounds of timed assessments. They covered everything from geometry to algebra and code breaking. We're super proud of them all!



## STUDENT IS BOWLED OVER

Momena Ahmed, a Year 10 student at BCHS, was over the moon when the Mayor of Blackburn, Suleman Khonat, popped into school to present her with a piece of cricket memorabilia.

Momena is a keen cricketer and represents school at cricket, plus plays for a local team. She was talking to Mr Khonat at an awards ceremony late last year and mentioned her passion for the sport. She obviously made a lasting impression on the Mayor as he visited school just before Easter to surprise her with a signed cricket bat from England Captain Ben Stokes.

Thank you for your generosity Mr Khonat!





# STUDENTS SELECTED TO HAVE POETRY PUBLISHED

We are delighted that a group of our students have been selected to have their poetry published after entering the Young Writers 'Power of Poetry' competition.

The students wrote about their life experiences and the power of sharing it through poetry. The students will have their work published in the coming weeks.

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## STAFF & STUDENTS CELEBRATE EID

Staff and students came together this week to celebrate Eid with a special lunch in the school canteen

The catering staff whipped up a delicious array of food and treats, which went down a storm with both students and staff alike.

Headteacher, Mrs Hussain, said: "I must say thank you to the catering staff who did a wonderful job in creating our special Eid menu.

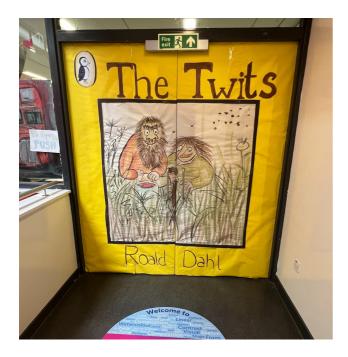
"It was great to sit down with staff and students to celebrate and reflect on everything we have to be grateful for."











#### DOORS ARE TRANSFORMED FOR WORLD BOOK DAY

Doors throughout school were completely transformed for World Book Day this year.

Students took to decorating them in the themes of some of their favourite books. They did a sterling job and both students and staff alike were enthused by their efforts.

Pictured is the Art Department's 'The Twits' door.

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### BEST FOOT FORWARD

Huge congratulations to a group of our PE students for representing the school in the under 14s girls football tournament at St Bede's.

This was the first time the girls participated as a group and it was very daunting for some of them so hats off to them for giving it a go.



#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Mon 1 May - May Day school closure Mon 8 May - Coronation school closure Fri 12 May - PSHE Thur 18 May - Yr 8 parents evening Mon 29 May to Fri 2 June - Mid term closure Mon 26 June - PSHE Tue 27 June - Yr 11 leavers assembly Thur 6 July - RSE

#### SCIENCE BAKE OFF

During British Science Week students had the opportunity to take part in a speical science bake off. There were some amazing entries, which made the decision to choose the winner extremely difficult but pictured is the winning entry by our year seven pupil, Hannah Sidat. Amazing work Hannah!





#### STUDENTS ENJOY HISTORY TRIP

Year eight students had a great time on a recent history trip.

They visited Quarry Bank Mill in Cheshire, a rare 18th century cotton mill. Here they are pictured in the Apprentice House, which used to house up to 90 children, working 10-hour days in the mill.



#### **WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

Do you have something that you would like to see featured in the next edition? Maybe your child is doing something in the community or has achieved something that you want us to recognise? If so, please send an email to sobrien@championtrust.co.uk. You can also keep up to date with our latest news on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter - simply search for Blackburn Central High School and hit that follow button.



#### JUDO CLASSES ARE A HIT

Students were recently given the opportunity to take part in judo classes at school. Several students decided to have a go and enjoyed it so much that they are now considering taking up the sport after school.

Pictured is Abdul, who despite fasting, did a full session and thoroughly enjoyed himself.