

Weekly Newsletter

11th January 2019

BCHS
with Crosshill



Welcome back to BCHS, we've hit the ground running this term, with examinations taking place this month and next. An examination timetable is attached to this newsletter.

This term I will be sharing my dreams for 2019 with students and hope that our parents and carers can talk to their children about what they wish for in the future: what they love doing, what skills they are proud of, what they are enjoying most at school and what they might do to help them reach their goals.

I firmly believe that no goal is too high, that every single one of us can achieve our dreams, it is just a case of deciding what we want, and working a little bit every day towards it.

So I ask parents, teachers, members of our community to share their dreams with each other. This might be forgotten dreams of our youth or current dreams for our lives, but if we all talk about what we are aiming for, then we will be a step closer to achieving them.

Mrs Atkinson
Headteacher

The Week Ahead

Monday

Sun Project UCLAN visit - Year 10
Injections - Year 9

Tuesday

Sun Project Media Day - Year 10
Behaviour Awareness Workshops - Year 9

Wednesday

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Thursday

Community Forum 9:00am

Friday

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Annie Musical Auditions

Auditions for the Annie musical are taking place after school on Thursday 24th January 2019, from 3:00pm to 4:00pm in the Drama Room; and during dinner time on Friday 25th January 2019 in the Drama Room.

Students are encouraged to practice the following audition songs:

- Annie solo: Tomorrow or Maybe
- Group: Hard Knock Life or Sandy
- Miss Hannigan solo: Little Girls

Please see Mrs Readfern in Drama for more details.



Year 10 Reward Afternoon

As part of our end of term events, Mrs Allen, Pastoral Manager for Year 10, arranged a reward afternoon for her best behaving students.

Three events took place during the reward afternoon; one group played football at Blackburn Soccerdome, another were treated to a beauty pamper session, and the third group enjoyed watching the Grinch.

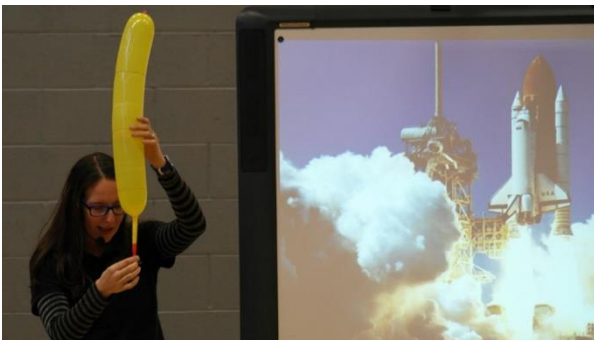


Question Time at Town Hall

As part of the Schools Working Together Project, students from seven Blackburn with Darwen schools took part in a Question Time style event at Blackburn Town Hall.

The students have been meeting every six weeks to debate issues that affect them, including mental health support, social media and crime.

The students asked the panel many thought-provoking and challenging questions, which covered staying safe online, equality, multiculturalism, fake news, and radicalisation.



Science Made Simple

Ruth Perkins from Science Made Simple visited BCHS to teach our students how engineers use science to make technology.

Years 9 and 10 took part in 'A Rough Guide to Engineering'. Discovering how engineers design cars, build structures to survive earthquakes, and how engineering changes lives.

Year 11 enjoyed a whistle-stop tour of the electromagnetic spectrum; Learning about the invisible world around them, made up of radio waves, microwaves, infrared and ultraviolet light, x-rays, and gamma radiation.



Embracing Diversity

We hosted Embracing Diversity; A national conference that shared best practice in breaking down barriers to integration within school communities.

The conference made delegates aware of the components of integrated communities, and equipped them with the tools and information to help identify the steps needed to promote diversity and an integrated community.

Both BCHS with Crosshill and Blackburn with Darwen have been recognised for their efforts identifying and working to overcome the barriers against successful integration.

Attendees heard from Penny Hobman, the Deputy Director of MHCLG, on the government's approach to its national integration strategy.

They also heard from Harry Catherall, Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council Chief Executive, who explained how the borough is approaching its integration challenges through the Integrated Communities programme.

Teachers and school support staff had the opportunity to take part in a variety of workshops during the day.

During lunch attendees had the chance to watch Bollywood Dance duo Sonash, with some delegates more than willing to join them on stage.

The Embracing Diversity conference was followed by a round-table discussion on integration with officials from the Department for Education. This first session provided an outline of what the officials hope to achieve from the discussions, and provided an opportunity for stakeholders to have their input.

January and February 2019 BCHS Exam Timetable

Exam Date	Series	Board	Qual	Code	Subject	Title	Time	Duration
10/01/2019	Jan-19	OCR	Cambridge National	R064/01	Enterprise and Marketing	Enterprise and marketing concepts	9.00am	1h 30m
10/01/2019	Jan-19	Pearson	BTEC	21512E	Music	The Music Industry	9.00am	1h
10/01/2019	Jan-19	Pearson	Edexcel Award	AAL30	Algebra Level 3	Non Calculator Paper	9.00am	2h
10/01/2019	Jan-19	Pearson	Entry Level Certificate	NSC0	Science	Externally Set Task	1.50pm	No set time
11/01/2019	Jan-19	OCR	Cambridge National	R081/01	Creative iMedia	Pre-production skills	9.00am	1h 15m
17/01/2019	Jan-19	TLM	TLM Certificate		IT	IT User Skills in Open Systems & Enterprise	1.50pm	1h
TBC	Jan-19	Pearson	Entry Level Certificate	NMA0	Maths (Year 11)	Externally Set Task	AM	No set time
Exam Date	Series	Board	Qual	Code	Subject	Title	Time	Duration
01/02/2019	Feb-19	Pearson	BTEC	Component 3	Health & Social Care	Health & Wellbeing	am	2h
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04/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		English Literature	Paper 1 Year 11	P1-2	1h 45m
04/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Maths	Paper 1 Non Calculator	P3-4	1h 30m
05/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Chemistry	Combined & Separate	P1-2	1h 15m / 1h 45m
05/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Geography / History	Paper 1	P3-4	1h 45m / 1h 30m
06/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Physics	Combined & Separate	P1-2	1h 15m / 1h 45m
06/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Maths	Paper 2 Calculator	P3-4	1h 30m
07/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		English Language	Paper 1	P1-2	1h 45m
07/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Biology	Combined & Separate	P3-4	1h 15m / 1h 45m
08/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		English Literature	Paper 2 Year 11	P1-2	2h 15m
08/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Maths	Paper 3 Calculator	P3-4	1h 30m
11/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		English Literature	Paper 1 Year 10 (10b3 & 10b4)	P1-2	1h 45m
11/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Geography / History	Paper 2	P3-4	Min 1h 30m
12/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		English Language	Paper 2	P1-2	2h
12/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Geography	Paper 3	P3-4	1h 30m
13/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Spanish	Reading Foundation / Higher	P1-2	45m / 1h
13/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Spanish	Writing Foundation / Higher	P1-2	1h / 1h 15m
13/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Urdu	Reading Foundation / Higher	P1-2	45m / 1h
13/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		Urdu	Writing Foundation / Higher	P1-2	1h / 1h 15m
13/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		All Subjects	Mop ups	P1 -4	Various
14/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		English Literature	Paper 2 all Year 10	P1-2	2h 15m
14/02/2019	PPE	Internal	GCSE / PPE		All Subjects	Mop ups	P1 -4	Various