



Bridlington School Autumn Term 2016 Newsletter

September:

- **Annual Charity Appeal**
The Student House Council voted for the charity to be the focus of our fundraising activities this academic year. Following a series of presentations about different charities to consider, they chose the charity 'CMN - Caring Matters Now.
- **Positive Discipline Reward trip**
At the start of the term we celebrated students' exemplary behaviour last academic year by taking them on a reward trip to Lightwater Valley - an exclusive open day just for Bridlington School. Great fun was had by all!
- **Mutual Respect and Tolerance: Refugee Day**
In order to develop the Fundamental British Value of Mutual Respect and Tolerance, Year 8 students met and studied individuals who have fled their homes in different times during very different circumstances. Students worked in groups of three to create a 'patch' which expressed why refugees should be welcomed and their stories listened to and understood. These patches were made into a quilt which is now displayed in an exhibition at Priory Church.
- **Kings College Cambridge Visit**
A group of high achieving Year 12 students visited King's College Cambridge for a residential experience to prepare them for their post 18 choices and give them an insight into life at a top performing university.

October:

- **Literary Festival**
Students took part in Bridlington's Literary Festival at Sewerby in October, with eight budding poets involved in 'Poetry Scope'.
- **Careers Information, Advice and Guidance (CIAG): STEM Week**
STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths
Year 8 participated in two roadshows: 'Tomorrow's Engineers' and 'The National STEM Careers Roadshow' to learn about careers in Engineering and STEM-related industries. With the huge growth in these industries in our region, we are very keen to ensure our students know about and are prepared for employment opportunities in this exciting area.
- **Democracy Visit to London**
Year 9 and Year 12 students completed a two-day residential to London to focus on the Fundamental British Value of Democracy. They visited the Supreme Court, toured the Houses of Parliament and visited Committee Room 77 where they questioned their MP, Sir Greg Knight, Lord Newby and Lord Patel.



- **V-Inspired Volunteer Programme**

V-Inspired was launched within the 6th form. This is a volunteering programme which is great for the community and is nationally recognised by universities and potential employers.

November:

- **CIAG Windfarm Visit**

Year 8 visited Fraisthorpe Windfarm to look at renewable energy and learn about careers in this rapidly growing industry.

- **Harvest Festival**

Year 7 students raised the roof at their annual Harvest Festival Assembly as they sang with gusto. Thank you very much to them and their families for the generosity of foodstuffs that were collected and donated to the homeless through the Christchurch Doorstep project.

- **Live-N-Learn Workshop**

Year 12 students attended a Live-N-Learn study skills workshop to boost motivation to achieve exam success.

- **Trip to see Blood Brothers**

All Year 10 and Year 11 went to see the musical, Blood Brothers, to experience live theatre and as preparation for their GCSE English Literature exam.

- **Remembrance**

Year 8 students led our annual Remembrance Service in school. It was very special to be able to commemorate all those who paid the ultimate sacrifice in war with so many members of the local community, the Old Bridlingtonian Club, the Bridlington Girls' High Association and our Foundation Trustees. Learning about war and conflict is a key component of our strategy to promote the Fundamental British Value of Mutual Respect and Tolerance. Our Combined Cadet Force also did us proud participating in the march to the Cenotaph on Remembrance Sunday.

- **Art Exhibitions**

Our Year 9 art students spent time studying at the Mark Herald Exhibition at York Art Gallery whilst our Year 13 students were very proud to have their art work displayed in Bridlington Hospital.

- **Democracy Day**

As a follow-up to the Democracy London visit in October, Greg Knight (MP) visited the school to talk to students about Democracy, again to promote this important Fundamental British Value.

- **CIAG: Aspiring Medics**

Year 8 students attended an 'Aspiring Medics lunch meeting to learn about careers in medicine from professionals working in this area.

December:

- **Christmas Shoe Box Appeal**

Year 7 students worked very hard to fill 33 shoe boxes with Christmas presents for underprivileged children around the globe.

- **Individual Liberty day**

Year 8 participated in a range of activities aimed at promoting the Fundamental British Value of Individual Liberty.

For more information of any of these events, please see the news section of our website.

