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Fine Dining at Bolton Catering College



This week the Food Technology department took pupils to Bolton College for the day. Year 9 and 10 pupils took part in a Hospitality and Catering event at Bolton Catering College. The event introduced pupils to higher level skills such as working with chicken, fish and preparing vegetables. We even had some pupils have a go at preparing vegetables ready for service (pictured above). There were three separate demonstrations, one given by their lead teacher who has previously worked in many high end restaurants such as the Savoy.

The pupils experienced working in a restaurant and helped prepare the tables ready for service. This included working alongside the Level 2 students from the college to

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prepare tables in the correct manner. They prepared all tables with freshly ironed tablecloths (pictured below), which they had to make sure were fit for a fine dining experience: lining up the crease of the tablecloth and laying the tables with an array of cutlery fit for silver service. They even polished all of their own cutlery ready to be laid out.



We were then served with a menu made specifically for Sharples School (pictured on next page) and cooked by their Level 2 and 3 Hospitality and Catering students. The menus included a splendid choice of food for pupils to choose from and included a three course menu.

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The college restaurant was set up with calming music and a scenic fireplace on the big screen. Pupils enjoyed their three course meal and we were served in style.

Sharples pupils were arranged at three dining tables and it was lovely to see Year 9 and 10 pupils coming together and sharing a lavish meal (pictured on the next page).



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Feedback from the college about Sharples pupils was amazing and they were described as being the most polite and lovely pupils. They were a credit to the school.



Finally, we took the Year 10 pupils on a tour of the college to see the various departments that are available for Level 2 and 3 courses. Ranging from Building to Sports and Health and Social care. Watch this space, more visits to the college are planned over the coming year!

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Additional Responsibilities for Student Affairs Committee Members

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My role as Chair of Bolton Youth Council means that every week me and the other chair will arrive earlier than everyone else and plan the structure of that night's events/topics. Then when everyone has arrived we will both run the meeting ourselves and go through the current agenda. We also will make sure that everyone stays on track in the meeting and manage the time properly as we usually have to go through a lot. Sometimes we will sort a debate with the facilitator in order to get everyone debating at some point in the night too and get everyone involved in discussion.

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Joseph W - Y10 SAC Member & Bolton Youth Council Chair



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Well done to Year 10 Student Affairs Committee Members Joe W (pictured above) & Amirah A (pictured on the next page) for taking on extra responsibility and joining Bolton Youth Council after our successful workshop last term. Both students have shown fantastic commitment to take on these roles and are a credit to the SAC here at Sharples. Amirah has been appointed as one of the two GMYCA (Greater Manchester

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Youth Combined Authority) representatives. Whilst Joe has been appointed Chair of Bolton Youth Council. Once again, what a fantastic achievement by both students and may you be successful in your new roles. Well done!

If there is anyone that is interested in joining Bolton Youth Council, please speak to Amirah & Joe in School.



My role within Bolton Youth Council is being one of the two GMYCA (Greater Manchester Youth Combined Authority) representatives. During the monthly meetings, I will represent Bolton in the hopes of giving young people from our town a voice in both the changes and the policies that are made. The GMYCA mainly focuses on young people's ideas regarding equality, the environment and health and wellbeing, amongst other topics. As I am incredibly passionate and full of ideas about these areas, I am grateful for the chance to share my thoughts.



Amirah A - Y10 SAC Member & GMYCA Representative for Bolton



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Science Enrichment Newsletter

Educake Top Scorers

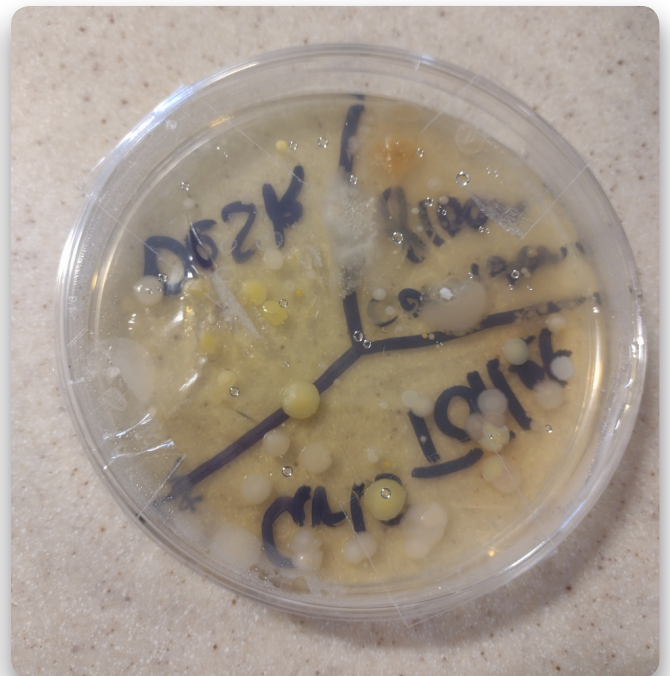
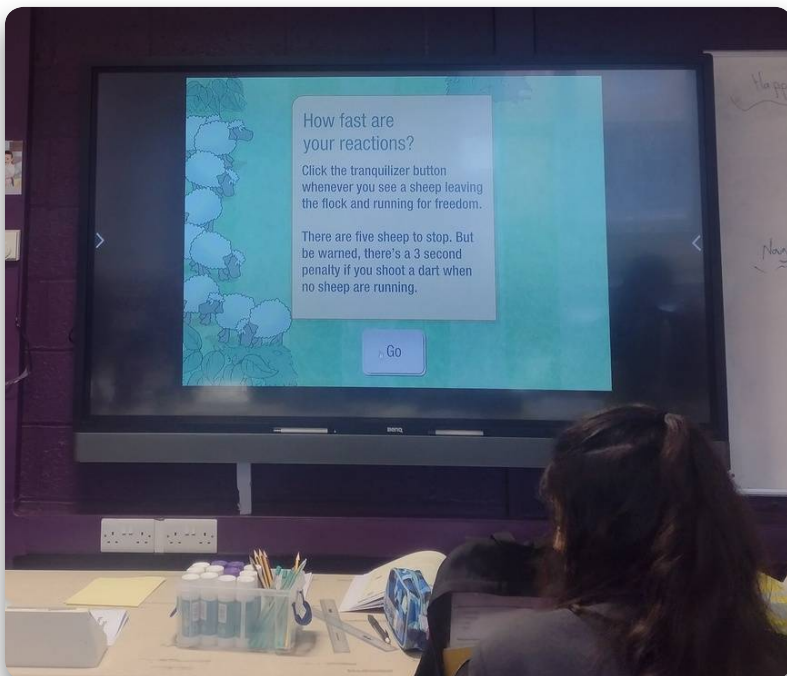
Well done to everyone who completed their home learning this week. The top scores for each year group are:

Year 11: Fatimah I, Ali A and Rachel C.

Year 10: Amirah A, Asma H, Mohammed S P, Zainab P, Cherie U, Aiva-May R, and Aliyah Y.

Year 9: Umaynah B, Mariya P, Aamina Pa, Aamina Po and Zeemal AR.

STEM Club



This week pupils in the STEM club had a chance to look at their agar plates. The girls' bathroom had produced some gruesome mould, fungal and bacterial colonies (pictured above). It was also notable that a number of teacher's desks had produced fungal colonies! The plates will now be destroyed to eradicate any risk of transmission. After making their discoveries the teams then moved onto a reaction time competition. Mr Albrighton rolled back the years recording an incredible reaction time of 0.21ms!

St Thomas, Halliwell Astronomy Session

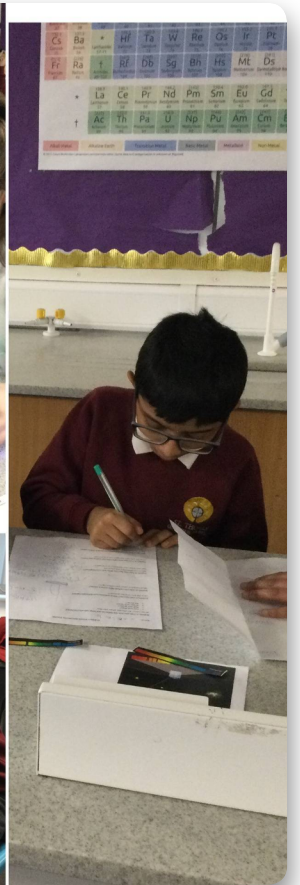
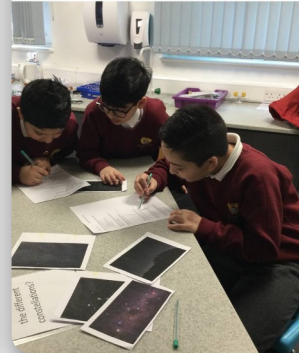
Year 5 and 6 students from St Thomas Halliwell enjoyed a session all about space and astronomy (see pictures on next page). The Astronomy Ambassadors were fantastic, as usual, in helping the young students to learn about a wide variety of astronomical topics, before going on to visit the Sharples observatory.



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Science career of the week

This week's career is Air traffic controller. As an air traffic controller, you'll use highly sophisticated radar and radio communication equipment to communicate advice, information and instructions to pilots. You'll guide the aircraft as it travels, using radar to track its exact position, keep it safe in the airspace and provide the most efficient route. Information about experience opportunities, providers, entry requirements and much more can be found here: [Science career of the Week](#)

Please speak to Mr. Burke, who will provide you with more information about this, or any other, science career.

Space News

Comet E3 ZTF continues its journey through the inner solar system. The green glow is now bright enough to be seen without a telescope. It may still be too dim to see with the naked eye, especially as the weather has been against us for the last few days. However, on the 10th February, the comet will appear extremely close to Mars, which may prove to be the best time to view the comet. Clear skies!

Mr. Fowlds - Science Enrichment Coordinator

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English Department's Stars of the Week

Work of the Week

Year 7

Naweed A has produced a lovely description of the swamp in Grendel's lair and key information from previous lessons with confidence and accuracy. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 8

Huzaiifa A for this lovely Pearl on Macbeth's bravery. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 9

Humayra I for her beautifully written narrative. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 10

Anya P for her lovely annotations for Death of a Naturalist. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 11

Finley T has shown good progress with the following answer to a Language Paper 1 question. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Readers of the Week

Year 7

Khadija I for beautiful intonation when reading Animal Farm out loud to the class.

Year 8

Safa S for her reading of The Family Upstairs.

Year 9

Zoe M for reading aloud to the class.

Year 10

Talal K for his reading of The Prelude.

Year 11

Elisha R for her thoughtful reading and interpretation of an unseen poem.



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English Year 7 G2G

Students submitted their G2G projects last week and it was lovely to see the quality and variety of submissions.

Year 7 had to create a project based on utopia/dystopias. Submissions included artwork, videos, stories and much more.

Well done to all who got involved, you are truly talented (there are some examples pictured below).

Winners and prizes will be announced next week.





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Performing Arts Update Career Focus

Creatives Now | A Conversation with Filmmaker Javier de Prado - Wednesday 1st February
Year 10 and 11 Performing Arts students were treated to a film masterclass from Javier de Prado, VFX artist and director. Javier took us on a journey from the birth of film, from early forms of visual effects to contemporary methods. This was an exciting session on AI (Artificial Intelligence) VR (Virtual Reality) and Animation.

All students thoroughly enjoyed the zoom presentation and Zayn said, "This was a great insight into the world of filmmaking" and Kandi commented "it's fascinating how filmmaking has evolved over the years and it was great to hear about the techniques used to make actors and film sets look so good".

Javier has been involved in the creation of movies (Quail Hollow), theatre (Hoy No Me Puedo Levantar, La Realidad) and music videos include working with The White Stripes, El Kanka and Coldplay and BTS.

A great insight for our young actors to understand and learn about what goes on behind the scenes!

BTEC Performance Evening - Tuesday 24th January

Congratulations to all students who took part in last week's performance evening. Some great performance work of a very high standard, included excerpts from an eclectic selection of plays.

Jekyll and Hyde by Leslie Bricusse (Jozsef, Molly, Heidi H, Megan), The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time by Simon Stephens (Daniel), Blood Brothers by Willy Russell (Nasteho and Ifra), (Kito, Diane), (Kerrigan, Finley, Jess), DNA by Dennis Kelly (Phoebe), Macbeth by William Shakespeare (Ahmed, Samuel), Better Call Saul 'Chicanery' written by Gordon Smith (Zane, Travis), Mamma Mia! by Catherine Johnston (Safa, Kevin), Cyrano de Bergerac by Edmond Rostand (Eve, Heidi W, Sadie), West Side Story by Arthur Laurents (Kandi), Bouncers by John Godber (Zayn, Kimberly, Lakeisha, Chelsea).

Well done everybody!

A DISCUSSION WITH FILMMAKER JAVIER DE PRADO

BIO

Javier de Prado is a Spanish VFX supervisor, filmmaker, tech explorer, music composer and multiverse navigator amongst many other things. He is a creative interested in the intersections of art, tech and science who is always speculating about future of creation.

Javier has been involved in the creation of movies (Quail Hollow), theatre (Hoy no me Puedo Levantar, La Realidad), music videos (Coldplay & BTS, El Kanka), virtual realities (Campfire Creepers), animations (Extraordinary Tales), museum exhibits (World Expo, Real Madrid), interactive experiences, concerts, advertisement campaigns and projection mapping.

Javi also teaches and gives lectures about the creative treasures he finds in his artistic explorations. He loves to explore the implications that those findings have in the membranes that define reality.

EVENT DETAILS

A DISCUSSION WITH JAVIER DE PRADO
WEDNESDAY 1 FEBRUARY, 6.30 - 7.30 PM VIA ZOOM



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Our Sports Leaders Support Local Primary Schools



A huge well done to some of our sports leaders who supported the multisport Panathlon event for local primary schools on Tuesday. The girls travelled to David Lloyd in Bolton to help support children with special educational needs take part in different activities. They rotated around different sport stations and helped the younger children complete all of the events. The organisers of the competition commented on how well the girls interacted with the students and supported them throughout the day. A fantastic and fulfilling experience for everyone involved. Well done, girls!



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Girls Football vs BSCA



A big well done to our KS3 football team who played a brilliant game against Bolton St Catherine's Academy on Monday night. The girls were quick off the mark and managed to score a goal within the first 10 minutes courtesy of a fantastic solo run from her own half by Talia D. Soon after, Talia D found the net again before Khadija V scored an unbelievable goal to make it 3-0 to Sharples. After a fantastic game, the game finished 3-1. Special mention must go to Hollie K who came away with player of the match after a brilliant game on the left wing. The girls will be up next in the KS3 Bolton Tournament next Thursday!



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Attendance Information

Reporting an absence:

If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school before 9.30am with full details of your child's illness/symptoms. The attendance email is the easiest way to contact school as the phone line can get very busy.

The school attendance email is: attendance@sharplesschool.co.uk

If we are unable to make contact and you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, this absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Attendance Data

Year Groups attendance this week:

Year 7 = 94.20%

Year 8 = 96.03%

Year 9 = 94.35%

Year 10 = 92.98%

Year 11 = 91.58%

208 pupils have achieved 100% this academic year

Best forms this week:

7shar1 = 98.29%

8S = 100%

9R = 96.64%

10H = 98.05%

11S = 97.14%

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 8th
February: Youth
Speaks Debating
Competition (17:30
– 19:00)

Thursday 9th
February: Former
Apprentice Adam
Corbally speaking
to Year 8 (09:55 –
10:45)

Thursday 9th
February: Year 9
Parents' evening
(16:00 – 19:00)

Career of the Week: Speech and Language Therapist

Speech and language therapists help people with speaking and communication problems and those with eating and swallowing difficulties.

Average Salary: £ £25,655
Starter — £53,219
Experienced

Typical hours:
(per week) 38 to 40
a week

You could work: between 8am and 6pm



Qualifications:

- You can apply for this job through a university course or an apprenticeship.
- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C) and A levels, or equivalent.
- 2 to 3 A levels, or equivalent, for a degree.

Skills required:

- Knowledge of English language.
- Sensitivity and understanding.
- The ability to work well with others.
- To be flexible and open to change.
- Counselling skills including active listening and a non-judgemental approach.
- To be thorough and pay attention to detail.
- Knowledge of psychology.
- Excellent verbal communication skills.

Relevant Subjects:

- English and Health & Social Care.

Information sourced from: <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-profiles/speech-and-language-therapist>



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PE Lunch Time Clubs - January - February

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Y7 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y8 & Y10 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y9 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y7 Football - Boys & Girls (Big Astro) - AHM & JRA	Girls only Football (Big astro) - SCU
Netball Yr 7/8 (SH) - SCU	Y7 Dodgeball (SH) - SCU & JRA	Just Dance- all years (Gym) - LAL	KS3 Dodgeball (SH) - LAL & SCU	Y7/8 Football (Big astro) AHM
Boccia (Gym) - LAL/JRA	KS4 Boys Fitness Suite - PGR	KS3 Basketball (SH) - SCU		KS3 Basketball (SH) - LAL & JRA
	Just Dance (Gym) - LAL	KS4 Boys Fitness Suite - PGR		



PE After School Clubs - January - February

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
KS3 Swimming club	Yr 7/8 Netball practice	KS3 Swimming	Y9 Parent's Evening	Wigan Warriors KS3 Rugby practice
KS4 Girls fitness suite	Yr 7/8 Football practice	Running club- all years	KS3 Girls Football Tournament @ LB	
Y9/10 Netball practice	Yr 7 Football v ESSA (a)	Basketball- all years		
U14 Basketball tournament @ Thornleigh		Yr 7 Football tournament during the day @ MUFC		
Yr 8 Football v Canon B (a)				

Week beginning 6th Feb

Cost of living

Help when you need it

Get free support on ways to make your food, fuel and money go further.

Cost of Living drop in events, 12pm until 3pm

- **Tuesday 7 February 2023**
Bolton Market Lifestyle Hall
- **Saturday 11 February 2023**
Bolton Library, Crompton Place Shopping Centre



Scan the QR code for details
www.bolton.gov.uk/costofliving

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