

# THE PURPLE PULSE

## BURNLEY HIGH NEWSLETTER

# BHS STUDENT CLAIMS WORLD CHAMPION TITLE IN KICKBOXING AT THE GLOBAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Excitement reverberates through the halls of Burnley High as we celebrate an outstanding achievement by one of our own. Lexi Grace Morton, a dedicated and determined student at our school, has etched her name in the halls of sports history by clinching the gold medal in the 50kg category at the Kickboxing World Championships held in Germany during the recent half-term break.

Lexi's remarkable triumph stands as a testament to her unwavering commitment, exceptional skill, and relentless perseverance in the world of kickboxing. Her success on the global stage not only brings pride to our school but also serves as an inspiration to her peers and the entire community.

This significant victory wasn't just a personal achievement; it highlights the incredible talent and capabilities of our students here at Burnley High. It highlights our main ethos within school of ambition, resilience, respect and responsibility.

Kickboxing is an incredibly disciplined sport that demands not only physical prowess but also mental focus. Lexi's dedication to her training, her unbeatable spirit, and her unyielding pursuit of excellence have rightfully earned her the title of World Champion.

The school community eagerly awaits the opportunity to congratulate Lexi in person, celebrate her incredible achievement, and learn from her journey. We look forward to hearing about her experiences and the challenges she overcame to claim this prestigious title.



Lexi's victory in the international arena exemplifies the possibilities that lie within each student here at Burnley High. Her triumph serves as a reminder that with passion, determination, and perseverance, one can conquer the world.

Please join us in extending our heartfelt congratulations to Lexi Grace Morton for her exceptional accomplishment. Her success stands as a beacon of inspiration for us all and a source of immense pride for our school.

Let's come together as a community to celebrate Lexi's incredible achievement and show our support for her dedication and hard work.

# OPEN DAY TRIUMPH!

Burnley High School opened its doors wide for an extraordinary day filled with exploration, engagement, and exciting experiences during our recent Open Day. Welcoming prospective Year 6 students, our school showcased its vibrant and diverse educational environment, offering a glimpse of the remarkable opportunities awaiting the next generation of learners.

The event was a resounding success, with various departments demonstrating the school's rich curriculum and interactive learning experiences. Our Food Technology department, for instance, captivated visitors with a thought-provoking 'Spot the Hazard' display, showcasing the importance of safety in the culinary world.

In the History department, an enthralling and hands-on exploration of medicine's evolution throughout time piqued the curiosity of our young guests, sparking their interest in the captivating tapestry of the past.

Science, as always, was a hub of excitement, hosting numerous engaging experiments that left attendees in awe and wonder at the marvels of scientific discovery.

One of the day's highlights was the popular 'Escape Room' activity in the English department, where Year 6 students were enthralled by challenging puzzles and riddles, fostering their critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

The culinary delights didn't stop at mere observation. Our prospective students had the chance to savor the delicious array of food available in our canteen, experiencing firsthand the quality and variety of our school meals.

Guiding our visitors throughout the day were our exceptional Year 11 Student Leadership Team. Their dedication and commitment shone as they led personalized tours, showcasing our school's facilities and sharing their experiences and insights with visiting students and parents.

The warm and welcoming atmosphere created by our students and staff truly reflected the essence of Burnley High School. It was a day brimming with enthusiasm, knowledge, and a shared love for learning.

The success of our Open Day wouldn't have been possible without the collective effort and dedication of our staff, students, and the unwavering support from parents and visitors.

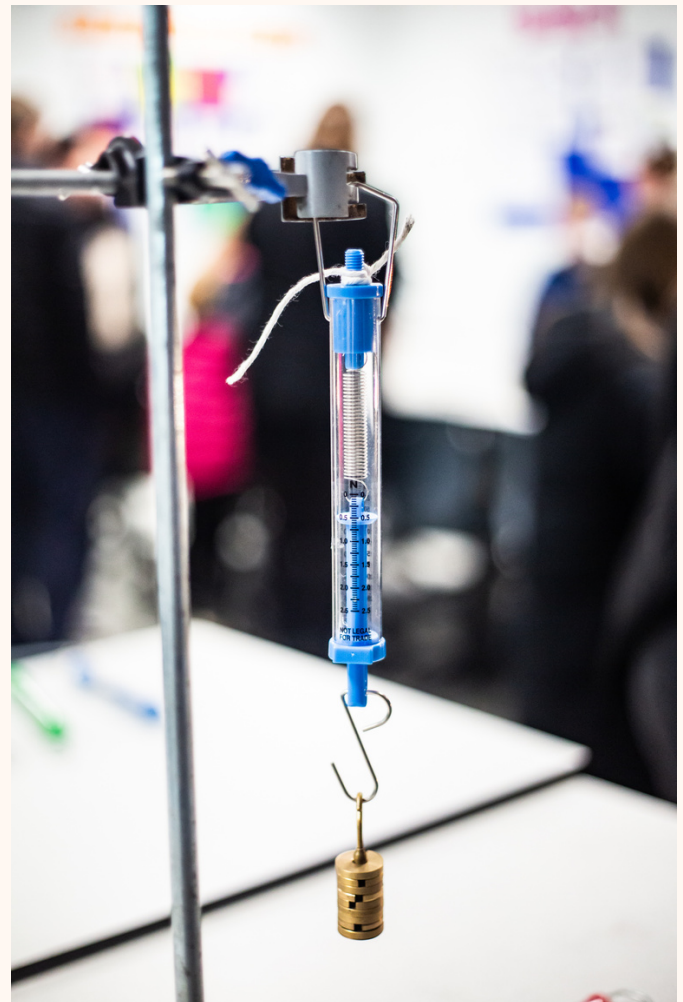
Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed to making this day an absolute triumph. We eagerly anticipate welcoming the new cohort of students who will soon become a part of our vibrant and thriving Burnley High School community.



**MRS STARKEY - HEADTEACHER**



# OPEN DAY IN PICTURES



**OUR HEAD STUDENTS RUTH AND COBY ADDRESSING YEAR 6 PUPILS AND PARENTS**



# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CLASS?

## EXCITING NEWS IN HISTORY!

In RE we have an exciting opportunity for 30 students in year 9. On Friday 15th December solutions not sides are coming to do a workshop on the situation around Isarael and Palestine. An Israeli and Palestinian speaker will come into school to discuss the situation and will have a focus around empathy to their fellow human beings on the other side and how hatred leads to more hatred. If your child is interested, please come and see Mrs Martin for a letter. The places will be issued to students with a good attitude towards RE.

## THIS WEEK IN SCIENCE:

Pupils have made a great start to the new half-term in Science!

**Year 7** will begin learning about cells and will have the opportunity to view them under a microscope .

**Year 8** are studying the Periodic table as well as reactions of metals.

**Year 9** are exploring how energy can transfer from one form to another.

**Year 10** will complete their transition topics to help bridge the gap between K33 content and GCSE work.

**Year 11** are studying Homeostasis which includes learning about the nervous system and Endocrine system.

## PE UPDATE!!

**Year 7** are doing dance and gymnastics.

**Year 8** will begin performing gymnastics and outdoor adventurous activities.

**Year 9** will commence trampolining.

**Year 10** will continue with their course on applying the principles of training: fitness and how it affects skill performance.

**Year 11** will commence their Sports injuries section of their coursework.

## MATHS UPDATE!!

Hope students have had a great half term and are ready to solve some Maths problems in their lessons this week. In Year 7 and Year 8 students have continued looking at algebraic manipulation which is an essential part of the Maths curriculum. In Year 9, students have been looking at solving equations. In Year 10, students have been looking at types of number and writing numbers as a product of prime factors. Finally, in Year 11, students have started looking at measures which include calculating speed, distance and time.

### Maths fact of the week:

The word "hundred" comes from the old Norse term, "hundrath", which actually means 120 and not 100.



# LITERACY/READING UPDATE

## EXCLUSIVE AIM HIGH WRITING WORKSHOP LED BY AUTHOR TERRY CAFFREY INSPIRES STUDENTS' CREATIVITY AND POETIC SKILLS!

Before half term, we were given the exciting opportunity to host an Aim High Writing workshop by esteemed author, poet and songwriter, Terry Caffrey. Six of our year 9 and 10 students were selected to take part in the day along with 26 other students from two other schools. It was a successful day which included Terry reading from his book, *It Wasn't Me Miss* (a signed copy is now available in our library), and applying tips in helping with ideas and imagination when writing our own poems.

Our students are to be celebrated for their respect, resilience and ambition throughout the day and produced some outstanding work; they flew!



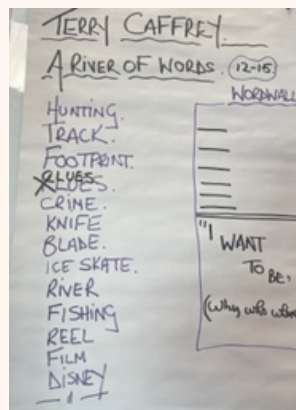
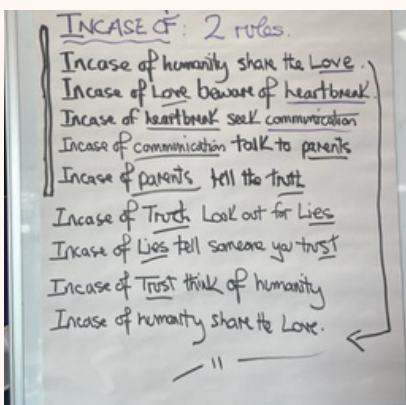
## TERRY ALSO SHARED THE FOLLOWING QUOTE WITH US:

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“Come to the edge,” he said.  
“We can't, we're afraid!”  
they responded.  
“Come to the edge,” he said.  
“We can't, We will fall!”  
they responded.  
“Come to the edge,” he said.  
And so they came.  
And he pushed them.  
And they flew.”

— Guillaume Apollinaire

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# BHS SCHOOL VALUES POINTS TABLE



## POINTS RECEIVED THIS FORTNIGHT

★ AMBITION	492
★ RESILIENCE	734
★ RESPECT	558
★ RESPONSIBILITY	412
★ STAR OF THE LESSON	2164
★ LITERACY STAR	228

## STAR OF THE LESSON SPOTLIGHT



**LIV HANDLEY**  
Y9

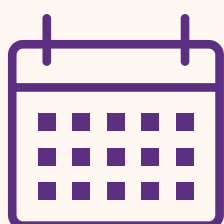
15 star of the lessons is how many Liv has received this week!  
Incredible dedication to education Liv, congratulations

★★★★★

## Open Day Feedback

“ Really friendly. All pupils were very knowledgeable about their topics. We got a really good feel for the school. A very enjoyable morning! ”

## UPCOMING DATES



REMEMBRANCE ASSEMBLIES  
ANTI-BULLYING WEEK  
YEAR 7-11 FLU VACCINATIONS  
Y11 SPANISH SPEAKING MOCKS  
Y11 MOCK EXAMS BEGIN

07/11/2023  
13/11/2023  
17/11/2023  
20/11/2023  
27/11/2023

# SPORTS SPOTLIGHTS

## YEAR 7 GIRLS FOOTBALL

The Year 7 girls braved the wet and cold weather last night playing in their first football tournament against local schools. The girls played 4 games in total with 2 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss. Such a great performance by the girls showing fantastic teamwork and resilience. Well done girls.



## TENPIN BOWLING SUCCESS

What an amazing achievement for our Tenpin Bowling team who came 1st Place against local Burnley schools on Thursday. The team will now go on to represent Burnley in the North West schools final. Lexi N was awarded the highest points scorer overall. What a fantastic afternoon!!



## YEAR 8 RUGBY



Despite the awful conditions, the year 8 rugby boys held their own in their rugby match held just before half term. We drew with Unity but lost against St. Augustine's.

Archie was our leading try scorer on the night and the team was very well led by Josh A who was our captain on the night.

## YEAR 7 & 8 NETBALL



Our Year 7 and 8 netball teams exhibited outstanding skill and sportsmanship in their recent matches against Unity College before the half-term break. Despite a hard-fought game, the Year 7 team displayed remarkable teamwork but narrowly lost with a score of 4-6 against Unity. Our Year 8 team emerged triumphant with an impressive 8-2 win, showcasing their determination, strategic play, and exceptional abilities on the court. Both teams demonstrated resilience and commitment, making us incredibly proud of their efforts and achievements.

# HONORING REMEMBRANCE DAY: LIBRARY DISPLAY COMMEMORATES THE HEROES OF THE PAST

This week, the Humanities department has begun preparing for Remembrance Day. This has begun with an exhibition being displayed in our library from the Veterans Living History Museum.

Here there are a number of artefacts from armed conflicts around the world. In form time next week, Years 7-10 will be able to study these artefacts in more detail.

We will also be holding a Remembrance Assembly on Friday 10th November to commemorate the fallen and all students will partake in a two minutes silence. Any pupils who are members of the cadet movement are permitted to wear their cadet uniforms on Friday should they wish to.







Poppies will be being sold in school all next week so pupils are encouraged to make a contribution and wear their poppies on their blazers. We will share details of the Remembrance events in our next issue of the Purple Pulse. Lest we forget.



# DOWN TOWN BURNLEY

The uniform shop at Down Town Burnley has now changed over to the Winter Warmers to help keep everyone warm in the colder months

They have a range of items on offer, with a minimum donation per item

They still have uniforms if anybody needs anymore.

Donations of any more winter warmers would be greatly appreciated to be able to keep the stock replenished.

Donations can be brought into school and placed in the bin that we have in reception.

## WE NEED DONATIONS OF:

- WARM WATERPROOF COATS
- HATS, GLOVES AND SCARFS
- THERMAL WEAR
- CLEAN WINTER BOOTS
- DRESSING GOWNS
- BLANKETS
- SLIPPERS
- SNOW SUITS

A graphic featuring various winter clothing items like a hat, scarf, jacket, and boots. A blue sign with the text 'DROP OFF' is visible at the bottom left of the graphic.

## HELP KEEP BURNLEY WARM THIS WINTER

**You can donate warm winter clothing for babies, children and adults:**

- Warm waterproof coats
- Hats, gloves and scarfs
- Thermal wear
- Woolly socks
- Winter boots
- Dressing gowns
- Blankets
- Slippers
- Snow suits



## Learn to Make: Healthy Meals in a Microwave

2 Week course:

Thursday 16th & 23rd November

10:00 am- 12:30pm

Tay Street Family Hub, Burnley, BB11 4BU

You may be surprised how quick it can be to prepare healthy homecooked food at home. On this course you will learn how to prepare tasty and healthy meals from scratch using fresh ingredients. You will also discover shortcuts that will save you time and money. \*Please bring tupperware to take some cooked food home in.

To register your interest contact Alison on  
07742763433 or email  
[alison.harris@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:alison.harris@lancashire.gov.uk)



Burnley Children and Family Wellbeing Service would like to invite Dads, Grandads and male carers to

# M.A.T.C.H.

Men And Their CHildren group, 1st Saturday in the month

Join us for breakfast, games & activities suitable for children from birth to 11 years old

*No need to book!!*



We can't wait to see you!!

**FAMILY  
HUBS  
NETWORK**

Sat 7 Oct 10-12noon

Sat 4 Nov 10-12noon

Sat 2 Dec 10-12noon

Tay Street  
Family Hub,  
Burnley