

Together in Batley

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Editorial

13th Edition May/June 2024

Please carry on sending all the wonderful things you are doing in Batley.

We have been awarded further funding for a year from Kirklees Council: thank you Kirklees. For our 14th edition, we need your contributions by June 1st . Please send your articles, notes, photographs, recipes, puzzles as attachments to the email togetherinbatley@gmail.com or come to one of our content workshops:-

Tues 28th May 10-12 planning meeting for everyone
Thurs 30th May 10-12
Fri 31st May 2-4

Paper copies will be available in the first week of May at Batley Food Bank, Batley Community Centre, Jo Cox House, The Park Café, The Salvation Army and Churches. If you would like to take copies somewhere so we can increase our reach to every community, please let us know: togetherinbatley@gmail.com

Please send your contributions as attachments with photographs attached to the email separately.

Articles 350 words with 2 photos 8x8 centimetres.

Group Reports 60 words with 1 photograph.

Book Review 150 words with 1 photograph.

What's on 12-20 words.

Thank you all for your super contributions!!

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Happy Birthday to us!!!

We have been a good news newspaper for 2 years!

Thankyou to all the people who have sent us contributions to make up the paper.

Thankyou to Kirklees Councillors, Tesco, Locala, and Nash for funding us.

The feedback we have been given suggests that we all want to know what's happening in Batley.

Here's hoping for another two years!!!!

The paper created by members of the Batley community for the Batley community. You can support the paper by sending pictures, or articles to togetherinbatley@gmail.com, and we will share it with your community.

Batley

Bingo at the library

Fri-2.00 Batley Library free monthly 3 game Bingo with tea and buns.

Everybody Welcome

Future dates:

May 24th, June 28th, July 26th, August 23rd.



North Kirklees Interfaith

North Kirklees Interfaith

North Kirklees Interfaith (NKI) aims to foster good relations and understanding between people of all faiths and none

NKI meets every six weeks to forward our aim and learn about interfaith projects locally. A guest speaker is invited to each meeting. Individuals, members of religious institutions, representatives of charitable bodies or other groups exploring faith are welcome to attend meetings and, if they wish, become members of NKI.

nkinterfaith@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/NKInternetFaith>

May/ June at Bagshaw Museum



mid week 11.00-5.00pm T/W/Th.

Weekends 12.00-5.00pm Sat/Sun

Until the end of Aug.

Bank Holidays Mon 6th May 11.00-5.00pm

Mon 27th May 11.00-5.00pm

Children's prize trial available at £1 to include a certificate and prize.
Children's activities available during ½ term holidays 25/5/24- 29/5/24.

Lego club available first weekend of every month.

Groups

The Soothill Community Association

The association has stuff going on for the younger end, the older end, ladies only and everything in between in partnership with our partners, mosques, and community enterprises.

The groups we promote enhance social, emotional and physical wellbeing. In partnership with Huddersfield Town Foundation and Kirklees Youth Alliance we run groups promoting goal setting and healthy eating for youngsters.

Our ladies groups include Yoga, MAGIC (movements and Games in Chairs), walking groups and inspiring meet up and chat over coffee.

We hope to offer “learn how to cook on a budget” and a specific session for a mental health care group.

Soothillcommunityassociation@outlook.com

Batley Cemetery Support Group

Batley Cemetery Support Group have over the years raised the money for the thousands of spring bulbs that they have planted in the cemetery.



The group's volunteers relied on the facilities in the Twin Chapels during their work in the Cemetery. Kirklees council have “mothballed “ the buildings, However the BCSG are continuing to litter pick to try to make the cemetery a pleasant place to visit when you need some peace and quiet.

BCSG can be contacted at batleycemetery@live.co.uk

Any queries regarding the ‘mothballing’ of the Twin Chapels can be directed to:
Corporate.fm@kirklees.gov.uk

Out and About



Fritillary at the top of the park



English Class Trip to Greenway



Owls at the Library



Kathie Ryan at St Saviors Church Brookroyd



Lego in the museum

...in Batley



Steam punk at the museum



St Patrick's day the the Nash



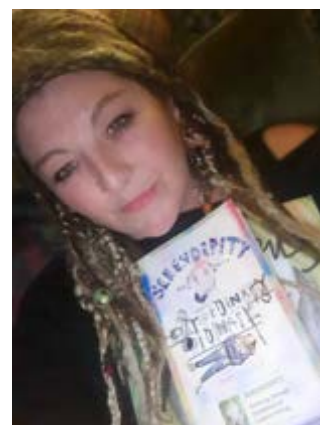
BECOME A CONTRIBUTOR. Do you want to celebrate the good news stories and amazing people in Batley? Email togetherinbatley@gmail.com to find out the details

Serendipity

International Womens Day poem

**Me a slightly loopy, lively open gay man,
sees the flaws in my sex- oft too deadpan.
Yet it is in women I wholly trust,
which is cool, lacking the urrgh, urge and thrust.
So I'll take this international Women's Day,
to shout it out loud ,
and clearly say,
here come the girls, and what they're all about,
Vigorous, Inspiring, Clarifying, Visionary no doubt.
So I welcome the chance to learn from you- being perhaps
the room's token,
standing up for you and hearing doesn't make me broken,
but fills me with earnest intention
to promote women's rights extension.
So we can perhaps live in a world that is blessed with more jaw, jaw,
and not the prevailing testosterone lead war, war.**

**Closer to home it is a privilege to see women up front,
Pushing many an agenda that men say they just shunt.
So I thank you for today, your words, blessings and
insight.
I'm just glad no hot flushes thay don't seem a delight.
So put your hands together and greet someone else here.
Maybe we could end with a yippee for every woman and
a loud
roaringcheer.**



Playable Spaces

People, Places & Play

Have your say on play!

We're providing spaces that enable communities to access a range of play opportunities and enjoy the great outdoors.

Staincliffe Park, Batley



Visit kirklees.gov.uk/playablespace to complete our online survey, or scan me...

You can also call us on 01484 221000 (ext. 70625)



What's On!

Each Week May / Jun

Every Monday:

Gym. 9.30-10.30am.

Batley Sporting Foundation.

Breakfast, dinner and pudding

10.00-12.00pm Batley Care and

Drop in at Central Methodist Church

Coffee Morning 10.00-12.00pm

Batley Butterfly House

Coffee Morning 10.00-12.00pm

Bleak House, Wilton Estate

Community Café. Coffee, tea, pies
peas and cakes. 9.30-1.30pm

Salvation Army

Over 50's Group 1.00-4.00pm

Mature Movers 12.00-1.00pm

Trinity Centre Batley Carr

Movement and Games. Chair based
exercise 10.30-12.00pm

Batley Community Centre RVS

St Mary's Theatre Group. 7.00pm

Social Club and Parochial Hall.

This Way For English. 1.00-4.00pm

Andy's Man Club. Join the

Conversation 7.00pm

Batley Library

Keep Fit 12.00-1.00pm at Trinity

Centre, Batley Carr

North Kirklees Family History Drop in

9.30-12.00pm at Batley Community

Centre

Carers Count. Coffee and Chat

10.30-12.00pm. 3rd Mon every month.

Magical Mondays 10.00-2.00pm

cuppa and activities

At the Crescent, 40 Station Rd.

Blooming Bambinis 9.15-10.15am

Parent Toddler Class walkers-3yrs

Stay and Play 10.15-11.15am babies

To school age

Stayatone Mum 11.15-11.45am pre

and post natal fitness class

Fitness Fusion 1.00-2.00pm fitness
class for all ages and levels.

The New Xclusive

To book please ring 01924 444929

Batley Mencap. Social evening

6.00-9.00pm at Chickeny Community

Centre

Community Choir 7.15- 8.45pm

Term time only

Community Room, Batley Parish Church.

Bounce + Rhyme. Songs, rhymes and

Stories for children under 5 with

Musica Kirklees. 11.00-11.30 pm

Batley Library

Every Tuesday:

Coffee Morning with singing every

other week 10.30-12.00pm

Bingo 7.30pm

Rafa Club

Over 50s Luncheon Club 12.00-5.30pm

Majorettes 1.00-8.00

Trinity Centre

MASC Batley Karate Club

4.00-5.00pm and 5.00-6.00pm

£5 Michelle 07932650854

Bingo from 8.00pm £3 a book

Social Club and Parochial Hall

Fitness for Ladies 5.00-6.00pm

Al Hikmah Centre IMWS

Baby Clinic 9.30-11.30am

Carlinghow Academy

01924 326371

Open Gym 9.00-10am Ladies only

Gym 5.15-6.15pm Learn Together

Craft Club 12.00-2.00pm

M.E.N. Men Only Gym 6.30-7.30pm

Over 55's Gym 6.30- 7.30pm

Open Circuit 7.30-8.30pm

Batley Sporting Foundation

Pilates 12.30-1.30pm

Batley Community Centre RVS

Rhyme Time 1.00-1.30pm

Batley Library Term time only.

Stay and Play 1.5-3yrs 1.00-3.00pm

50p Warwick Rd School

Fri 01924 455593

Batley and District Camera Club

7.30-9.30pm

North Kirklees Family History Group

10.00-12.00pm

Batley Community Centre

Creative Writing 2.00-4.00pm at

The Crescent, 40 Station Road.

Lunch and Bingo 11.00-2.00pm at

Church Ablaze, Wellington Street

Yoga 1.00-2.00pm at Trinity Centre

Contact Alida at 07401 964218

What's On! *Each Week May / Jun*

Every Wednesday:

Stay and Play £1.50 9.30-11.30am
Salvation Army

Singing for Fun 2.00-4.00pm £5
with Anthony 07876267267
Fit Steps with Karen 5.45-6.45pm
dance fitness £5 07973242684
St Mary's Rock and Roll Club
8.00pm £3
Pool in the lounge 8.00pm 50p
Social Club and Parochial Hall

Social Dancing Space 2.00-4.00pm
Trinity Centre, Batley Carr

Wonderful Wednesdays
Warm Safe Space 10.00-2.00pm
Call in for a cuppa, crafting
The Crescent, 40 Station Road

Crafty Ladies 1.00-3.00pm
Church Ablaze, Wellington St.

Ceilidh, caller, live music. 7.30-10.00pm
Yorkshire Mixtures Folk Dance Club
£3 each tel 07436000845
RAFA Club

Peer Talk 11.00-12.30pm
For those living with depression and
anxiety.
Jo Cox House.

Community Archive with support
10.00-12.00pm Batley Library.

North Kirklees Family History drop in
10.00-12.00pm
Batley Community centre.

Every Thursday:

Open Gym 9.00-10.30am
Ladies Only Gym 5.15-6.15pm
M.E.N. Men Only Gym 6.30-7.30pm
Wellbeing Walking 10.00-11.00am
Over 55's Gym 7.00-9.00pm
Open Circuit 7.30-8.30pm
Batley Sporting Foundation.

Luncheon Club, 2 course meal
11.30-1.00pm. Please book.
Batley Community Centre RVS

Community Café. Coffee, tea, pies
Peas and cake. 9.30-1.30pm
Salvation Army.

Long Covid Support Group 11.00-
12.00pm
Story Time 10.30- 11.15am term time
Step by Step Job Club 10.00am
Stop smoking 1.00-2.30
Batley Library

Slimming World with Lynn
9am/11am/5pm/7pm 07988662052
Social club and Parochial Hall

Batley Youth Hub survival skills, sport,
food, music, games 6.30-8.00pm
Fearless People Yorkshire.
Sensory Play for children
afternoon
Bleak House, Wilton Estate

Wellbeing Group 11.00-1.00pm
2nd Thurs every month
Coffee and Chat 5.00-6.30pm
1st Thurs every month
The Crescent, 40 Station Rd.

North Kirklees Family History Group.
10.00-12.30pm tel 917414
Batley Community Centre

Wellbeing walks 2.00-3.00pm
Wilton Park Batley adults 18+
Kirklees Wellness service
01484 234095

Stay and Play free 9.00-10.00am
Or 12.15-1.15pm Al Noor Nursery,
Community Centre, Hyrstlands Rd
07661735370

Every Friday:

Crochet Group 10.00-12.00pm
Sporting Memories 10.00-11.00am
Free Bingo 2.00-3.30pm
Batley Library

Walking Rugby 12.30
Batley Community Centre
Batley Sporting Foundation

Get Active Owls for over 50s.
10.00-3.00pm 014844766131
Batley Sports and Tennis Centre

Rock and Roll Band nights.
monthly 7.30pm
Mick Ingram Tribute Nights
Monthly 7.30pm
Tickets £8 and £10
Social Club and Parochial Hall

Art Class 10.00-12.00pm
Trinity Centre, Batley CarrCard

The Craft Club 5.00-7.00pm
Under 8s only with parents
Bleak House, Wilton Estate

What's On!

Each Week May / Jun

Ladies Rounders Team
Batley Ninjas 8.00pm
Batley Tennis Club
07514372582, 07961449236

Gardening Group 9.30-12.00pm
Meets in Town Car Park Apr-Oct
Batley Community Alliance
Richardmartin01@btinternet.com

Singing For Wellbeing 1.00-2.00pm
sINGspiration Rosewood Centre
Dewsbury District Hospital

Fabulous Fridays 10.00-2.00pm
The Crescent, 40 Station Rd.

North Kirklees Family History Group
9.30-12.00pm tel 917414
Batley Community Centre

Drop in Breakfast and Lunch 9.30-
12.30pm
Church Ablaze, Wellington st.

Every Saturday:

Lego Club 12.00-2.00pm
Trading card Club 2.15-3.45pm
Crafts 2.00-4.00pm
Batley Library

Butterfly House open 10.00-4.00pm
Top of the park. Free.
Butterfly House Bug Club 10.00-2.00pm

Every Sunday:

Ballroom Dancing with Trevor 7.45pm
£3, St Mary's Social Club, and Parochial
Hall.

Junior Park Run 9.00am 4-14yrs
Wilton Park
Friends of Wilton Park.

Lego at the Museum 12.00-4.00pm
1st weekend every month

Butterfly House open 10.00-4.00pm
Top of the park Free

Ladies Rounders Team
Batley Ninjas 10.00am
Heckmondwike Grammar School
Junior Team 11.00am
07514372582, 07961449236

List of Providers:

- * Batley Butterfly House: facebook or email
batleybutterflyhouse@gmail.com
- * Batley Community Centre 07726 771936
- * Batley Library ring 01484221000 and ask for Batley
Library
- * Batley Sporting Foundation ring 07808 055022 or email
info@batleysportingfoundation.org
- * Bleak House, 200a Ealand Road, Wilton. WF17 8JL
- * Carers Count <https://carerscount.org.uk>
- * Friends of Wilton Park fowp2015@gmail.com
- * IMWS [https://www.imws.org.uk/contact us](https://www.imws.org.uk/contact-us)
- * RAFA 01924 474370
- * RVS ring 07884 114853
- * Salvation Army ring 01924 443716
- * St Mary's Social Club and Parochial Hall, Melton St.
www.stmarysocialclubbatley.uk ring 07896 974492
- * The Crescent ring 01924 444929
- * Trinity Centre ring 0770665090
- * Bagshaw Museum, Wilton Park, Batley.
- * Batley Community Alliance Volunteers, Richard Martin
01@btinternet.com
- * Batley Mencap: 13 park Road, Batley, 01924 443018
- * Jo Cox House, 01924 479082
- * North Kirklees Family History Group. Tel 01924 917414

What's On! *Special Events May / Jun*

Run for Jo
 Join us at the Run for Jo,
 Sunday 23rd June at Oakwell
 Hall. A fun day for all. Email
moreincommonbatleyandspen@gmail.com

The Great Get Together
 The Great Get Together is Batley's celebration
 of everything that unites our communities,
 inspired by Jo Cox's belief that we have more in
 common than that which divides us.
 This year the Great Get Together will take place
 between the 21st and 23rd June. Look out for
 celebrations in our area.

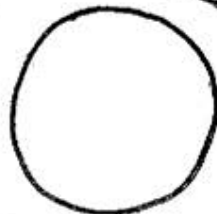
The Great Health and Wellbeing Get Together

Save the date: The Great Health and Wellbeing
 Get Together. 22nd June 11am-3pm at The
 Princess Mary Stadium, Bradford Rd,
 Liversedge. Brought to you by the office of Kim
 Leadbeater MBE MP in association with
 Streetbikes

Children's
Chatter.

Card
needle and cotton
colouring pens.

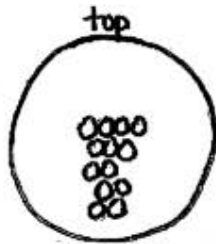
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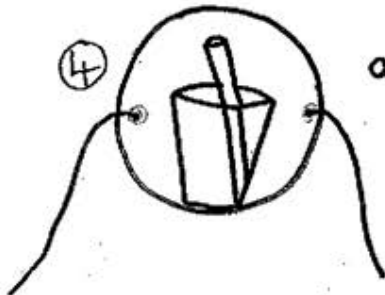
② on one side:
draw a beaker.
turn the card over Right to left.



③ on the second side:
Draw bubbles



④ add the cotton.



⑤ Twist the cotton between your
fingers



Bubble Tea!

Want to Join Our Team?

You don't need specific qualifications or experience to become a Witness Service Volunteer.

What's more important is that: You have good listening and communication skills.

You're friendly, caring and non judgemental.

You're reliable and committed to helping witnesses.



There are a few things we need to check; You need to be aged 18 or over.

Willing to get an enhanced DBS clearance, (at no charge)

Able to commit to our training programme.

Happy to volunteer with us for at least 12 months after training.

Applying

To see where our current volunteering opportunities are you can visit our website; www.citizensadvice.org.uk/witness, if you'd like to join us, you can apply online.

You can also contact the Witness Service Volunteering Team

Citizens Advice Witness Service (Volunteering Team)

ws-volunteering@citizensadvice.org.uk

citizensadvice.org.uk

Volunteering with the Witness Service



Volunteering Opportunities with the Citizens Advice Witness Service



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Citizens Advice is an operating name of The National Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux. Registered charity number 279057.

Library update:

In the report presented to the cabinet on 26th September it said that the plan would be to move the library service into the Town Hall. The Friends of Batley Library have a meeting booked with the councillors this month, when we hope that we will find out the details.

The library service in Batley will be one of ten integrated library hubs in Kirklees supported as it is now with library staff. We are not one of the Library Friends of whom are being asked if they will take on the responsibility of running their library and maintaining the buildings.

At this stage we don't know what a modern library will look like.

The proposal is to integrate the customer service department and library service. This process will be subject to a service change with the customer service team. Once complete the library service will look to integrate the support for customers to access information on line and through telephone support in Kirklees direct within our library functions.

Please look out for further information: We will try to keep everyone informed on Facebook and on our website.

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Crime Prevention Checklist

Garden Security

Hedge your bets Stow the mower & the tools



Do you really need an 8 foot high hedge in front of your home?

Have you left anything in your garden that a burglar could use to break in?

Is the shed really secure?

Supported by



Batley Cemetery

On a bright spring day, assuming we get some, a stroll in the cemetery can be very refreshing- and informative.

How about taking half an hour of your time to walk along the flower-lined paths until you reach the final resting place of Batley's famous "wogglehopper" George Corner?

"What's a wogglehopper you might ask. A wogglehopper is someone who leapfrogs over pillar boxes which are the height of a woggle, and a woggle is the loop which holds a scout's neckerchief in place.

Wogglehopping was Scout master George's special talent. It made him famous the length of England, as he wogglehopped his way from Land's End to Berwick on Tweed.



George's grave is no 11 on the map (grave 585). It is marked by a small headstone inlaid with a picture of George in his Scoutmaster's uniform, smiling as he clears the height of a pillar box with room to spare.

No 15 on the map marks the grave of Sayyed Iqbal Hussain Shah, who was the official interpreter to the county court at Eightlands, Dewsbury in the 1950s.

Mr Shah knew 15 different dialects- but perhaps even he would puzzle over how to translate wogglehopper. There is no exact synonym for it in Gujarati or Urdu. A Gujarati hopper is a ball which travels along the ground: Punjabi has no translation and hopper

in Urdu is a noun meaning a vessel which takes waste out to be dumped at sea.

So the skill of a wogglehopper is practically untranslatable.

These two graves one marked "Skip" and the other "S.I.H. Shah, a good man, show that George Corner was as old as the 20th century when he died in 1979 and Mr Shah had passed away the year before in 1978.



These are just 2 of the 'Batley Characters' featured in Malcom Haigh's booklet "Batley Characters" from the series Batley Cemetery Walks published by Batley Cemetery Support Group.



Mrs Sunderland Music Festival 2024



The festival is held annually at Huddersfield Town Hall, usually over a two week period during February. It is designed to measure the skills and abilities of those who play musical instruments, compose, sing, read or write poetry and prose.

Part of the festival is dedicated to reading and includes The Bible, Shakespeare and dialect. Alan and Carol have completed at the festival for many years in the Dialect Reading section, along with other members of the U3A Yorkshire Dialect Group. The results were as follows:

1st Alan Walker- Body and Soul (author unknown)

2nd Carol Walker- A Neet When Thas Nowt To Do (John Hartley)

3rd Glenys Hallsworth-God Were A Yorkshireman (George A Smith)

The poem Alan read will be in the next issue. It is a really clever play on words!!



Autism Resources in Kirklees Libraries

Did you know about our autism offer here at Kirklees Libraries?

Kirklees Libraries are committed to making our libraries accessible to all, which is why we've created a social story for each of our locations. These stories are designed to give those who may be struggling with anxiety around visiting the library a step by step guide as to what to expect on visiting us, helping people to familiarise themselves with the layout beforehand as well as being able to recognise our staff in order to ask for assistance where needed. You can find out more about our social stories by visiting our website:
[Locations and opening times | Kirklees Council](#)

All our staff have been fully trained in autism awareness and will be happy to help you with any queries or adaptations you may need in order to give you the best experience possible when visiting us.

Within our libraries we also have a selection of autism friendly, sensory resources you can use in order to make your visit more enjoyable. These include fidget toys, stress balls, glow eggs, glitter sticks and mini beanbags. Boxes of resources are available at Batley, Dewsbury, Marsden and Rawthorpe Dalton Library and can be booked in advance for use at other libraries. Please ask at your local library for more details.

We have run some successful autism friendly events within our libraries in the past, such as our sensory story-times – most recently during Autism Acceptance Week and we hope to do more of these in the future. If there are any events or activities you would like to see us running, then please don't hesitate to get in touch with your suggestions.

We hope to welcome you to our libraries soon!

Manorfield Infant and Nursery School: Reception Superheroes

Reception have been engaged in their topic of superheroes this half term. This started with the Supertato books, where the children were truly immersed in the adventures of Supertato and the Evil Pea who then went on to cause havoc in reception, from trapping fruit and vegetables to tipping the chairs upside down and even tying up Mrs Hall! The children wrote wanted posters, designed and made Evil Pea traps and more. Mr Tierney even got a retweet and a reply from Sue Hendra who wrote the 'Supertato' books!

The learning then moved on to our real life superheroes and we were lucky to have a visit from Green Watch from The Dewsbury Fire Service. The children found out all about how they help people in different ways, sat in the fire engine and even learnt how to squirt the hose! This early work feeds into our work around aspirations and careers. We are looking forward to a visit from our next real-life heroes, the Police service.



Field Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School: Show Racism the Red Card



Year 5 spent a very informative day at Huddersfield Town Football Club discussing issues to do with racism and stereotyping. Our young ambassadors spoke with sensitivity and maturity, impressing the Huddersfield Town coaches and players. They were given a signed 'Show Racism the Red Card' t-shirt and the girls were able to show off our new sports kit on the pitch!



Batley Grammar School - Primary Phase: Little learns on the lookout for little beasts

Year 1 and 2 had an exciting trip to Fairburn Ings Nature Reserve to discover land minibeasts. They became scientists for the day; exploring different habitats and used lots of equipment to help find a wide variety of minibeasts hiding away.



Healey Junior, Infant and Nursery School: Sporting Success



We've been sports mad this past term, with everything from bowling, to multi-sports, speed stacking, dodgeball and basketball, not to mention celebrating International Women's Day with Girls'



Football. Sports Leaders from Batley Girls' High School supported children from both Field Lane and Healey to develop their football skills and ability.

Batley Girls' High School: Nero Novels and Booky Bake

There was a lot to live up to for World Book Day 2024, after the success of the 2023's activities,



but we put on another superb suite of events for everyone to enjoy!

With the library being transformed into Nero Novels with hot chocolates on offer, as well as the Booky Bakes (cakes created and decorated as favourite books) - sweet treats were savoured. We raised £425 from the 'BGHS Booky Bake Off' which will be donated to Book Aid International, whose aim is for everyone in the world to have access to books.

The 'Decorate the Door' entries are all amazing. A true testament of teamwork, creativity and commitment - many students worked on these



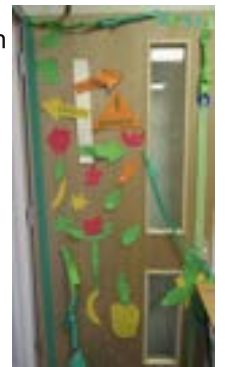
doors during their lunchtime, after school and at home in their own time. Next time you're at BGHS - please take a walk around school to admire their true brilliance!

Batley Grammar School - Secondary Phase: Themed Escape



At the start of March, students who attend our 'Aspire' Life Learning Lessons held an event for parents. Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 who had completed a project on Escape Rooms, had 60 minutes to dress a space in school so that it became a themed Escape Room.

Later, they had another 60 minutes to work alongside parents/carers and visitors to rescue explorers lost in the Rainforest. Collaboration, communication, problem solving, creative thinking, attention to detail and stress management were just some of the life skills our young people demonstrated, and we could not have been prouder.



Upper Batley High School: National Reading Champions

In early March some of our learners took part in the National Literacy Trust's, National Reading Champions Quiz. We had two teams taking part and both teams did amazingly well. Team A came in joint 2nd place and Team B won the Yorkshire & Humber Heat, making UBHS the winners out of 27 competing schools.



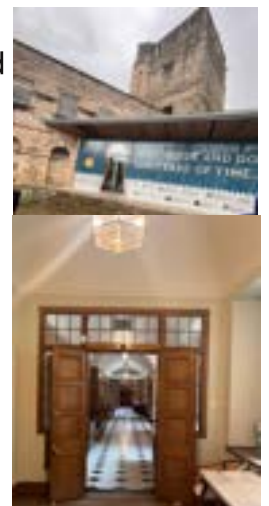
Both teams represented UBHS brilliantly demonstrating resilience, tenacity and truly being the very best versions of themselves. We couldn't be more proud. This is the 2nd time our school has won the Yorkshire & Humber Heat in this exciting competition. It's a great experience for all our learners involved across Years 7, 8 and 9. Our winning team will now travel to London by train on Wednesday 5 June to take part in the live final.



BG6 College: Oxford Law Taster Day



We had an inspiring two days experiencing Oxford and the Law at a taster day with one of our students. Thank you so much to the Faculty of Law at the University of Oxford for organising such a successful event and unlocking ambition, potential and self-belief.



We encourage all our students to follow their dreams and reach for the stars.

Help the Homeless and Vulnerable

On Tuesday at 6.00 pm I had an amazing meal with 80 people served by 10 volunteers from the charity The Purpose of Life.

The fast was broken by sharing dates, the first course was samosa, chicken leg, kebab, and the main course, Curry with rice and chapatti. We drew "What Ramadan means to me" with prize winners, then everybody was sent home with an Easter Egg.

It was a super evening sharing the Iftar (the evening meal following the breaking of the fast) with the local community in such a positive and amazing way.

Everybody went home well fed and happy to have met with others to share the experience. A really super evening.

One gentleman said "The people who are here are super people. They should share the Iftar with their families but instead they came here to help us"

Future Dates:

May 21st

June 25th

July 30th

August 27th and

through to December.



HELP^{the} HOMELESS & VULNERABLE YORKSHIRE
2023 Quarter 3 & 4 Dates

Soul Food UK Project Community Cohesion Initiative

Prophet Muhammed (PBUH) said:
"He is not Muslim who eats his fill when his neighbour is hungry"

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Trust us- Community Careers Convention



Batley Multi Academy of Schools held their first-ever Trust-wide careers event on Thursday 29 February at Batley Town Hall. Staff from all six primaries and 4 secondary providers collaborated in the planning and preparation for the event. The aim of which was to positively impact the young people and local community.

Primary Children from Batley Grammar, Field Lane, Healey and Manorfield experienced an interactive performance, run by West Yorkshire Drama Academy (WYDA) on the theme of a dream job and the skills required to achieve those dreams. The young people were captivated and were eager to participate in the workshop event.

“It’s so important that we reach the young people at this age” said Rebecca Lockwood founder of WYDA.

The primary schools were also provided with resources for follow up sessions back in the classroom.

In the afternoon a cohort of Year 10,11 and sixth form learners from Batley Girls’ High School, , Batley Grammar School, Upper Batley High School and BG6 College, visited stands from post-16 colleges and universities, Local businesses, West Yorkshire Police, the RAF and West Yorkshire Combined Authority, C&K Careers Advisers and Trinity Institute of Education. There was a Cyber Crime Blue Line van in the Market Square.

In the evening session families from the wider community attended to find out about the opportunities for their children. Sam Vickers, CEO of Batley Academy Trust said; “We’re thrilled with the turnout for the event this evening and thank our community for their support. We are the trust at the heart of the Batley community”.

Batley Multi Academy Trust would like to thank Spices and Rices, Sibü and Cha Cha Chai for their kind generous donations of refreshments.

