

Hello! I can't believe we're at the end of another academic year. We have so much to share with you and would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support. Our mission remains the same: to ensure education in schools and colleges meets the needs of people seeking sanctuary and raises awareness about forced displacement through learning. Our end of term newsletter shares some of this work in action. Have a brilliant summer!

News

Congratulations to schools who have achieved the Sanctuary Award this term!

Carlton Bolling and Co-op Academy Penny Oaks renewed their School of Sanctuary award this June, recognising their commitment to developing a culture of welcome and support for pupils and families seeking sanctuary. We were delighted to award them during Refugee Week at Bradford Arts Centre. You can read more in the press release [here](#)!



Co-op Academy Penny Oaks

We are privileged to be a member of the Schools of Sanctuary family, showing our commitment to welcoming people who are seeking sanctuary. It means building a culture where we don't just tolerate differences, but actively protect, celebrate, and learn from one another.

Michelle Khambhaita,
Headteacher at Co-op
Academy Penny Oaks

We are incredibly proud of this reaccreditation. It is a testament to the dedication and compassion of our staff, who work tirelessly to ensure that every child feels safe, valued and able to succeed. We believe schools should be places of belonging and opportunity, and we remain committed to these principles.

Mohammed Azum,
Head of School at
Carlton Bolling



Carlton Bolling



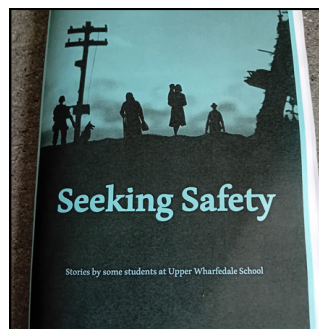
'British Values.' A piece of Artwork by a student at Carlton Bolling. (right)

Sign up to receive our termly newsletter [HERE](#).

We've been delighted this year to be involved in the accreditation of nearby schools. Congratulations to Upper Wharfedale School (more [here](#)) and Co-op Academy Priestthorpe in Leeds for achieving the Sanctuary Award.



Co-op Academy Priestthorpe



Work done by Y8s at UWS



Upper Wharfedale School (UWS)

Native Scientists

We love partnering with organisations that share our values and [Native Scientists](#) are a brilliant example. We've worked with them over the last few years and this term, they were back for their third Arabic-language science workshop!

Three schools we work closely with joined to explore all kinds of fascinating scientific topics in their mother tongue. Massive thanks to the scientists at Bradford University who volunteered their time and shared their expertise on all kinds of topics from malaria to how inhalers work!



Fundraising heroes!

THANK YOU!

We would like to say a huge thank you to **Westminster CE Primary Academy** and **Co-op Academy Priestthorpe** for fundraising for us this half term and the generosity of pupils and families! Your contribution makes a massive difference and enables us, as a small charity, to keep our work going.

Refugee Week



Furaha Mussanzi shares her story

We were delighted to have a range of people delivering assemblies and workshops for Refugee Week. Thank you to local film maker Tom Harmer (who created 'The Sanctuary Seekers of Bradford'); Furaha Mussanzi for sharing your experience of fleeing war and establishing life in Bradford; and Kathrine Nutting, for delivering amazing assemblies about Ukraine.



Children at Westminster CE Primary Academy in traditional Ukrainian attire!



Tom Harmer at Co-op Academy Grange

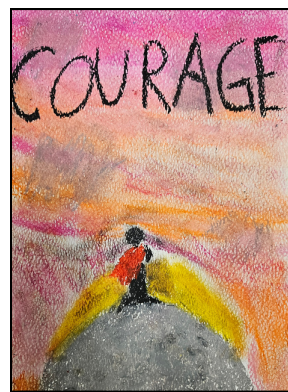
Workshops and training

Throughout June, we delivered staff training and workshops. We were also invited to Ilkley Grammar School for their Year 9 Diversity Day and ran workshops about forced migration and the importance of thinking critically about these issues.



Schools' Art Exhibition

This year we collected over 60 pieces of amazing artwork from school pupils on the theme of 'Courage'. Thank you to Westminster CE Primary, Bankfoot Primary, Lilycroft Primary, Co-op Academy Penny Oaks, Hoyle Court Primary School and Bradford Libraries for exhibiting work across the district. You can see the whole exhibition online [here!](#)



Artwork by a pupil at Westminster CE Primary

Onjali Rauf visits St Stephen's CE Primary



St Stephen's CE Primary marked Refugee Week and A Day of Welcome with a fantastic programme of activities, including a visit from author Onjali Q. Rauf (best known for *The Boy at the Back of the Class*). Pupils created multilingual welcome displays for their classrooms, while children and their families donated food and toiletries to make hampers for Shine West Bowling, a local charity that works closely with the community. Thank you to everyone at St Stephen's for sharing your wonderful work!



Artwork by a pupil at Lilycroft Primary



Artwork from Hoyle Court Primary in Baildon Library

Coming up...



Next year, our Communities of Practices meetings are: Mon 5th October; Mon 8th Feb; Mon 17th May.

Sign-up details to follow in the September digest alongside new CPD, learning resources and events for the term.

We are on a mission to improve the educational experience of people seeking sanctuary and create welcoming environments in schools and colleges across the Bradford District. But our work relies on the generosity of individuals and trusts who believe in what we do. Will you join us? Be part of the welcome [here](#).

You have been reading our end of term celebration newsletter. To receive our half-termly digests (examples [here](#)) where we summarise events, dates, CPD opportunities, new learning resources, research & services, please email us using the address below.