

Past Beckfooter Profile

RESILIENT



Name: **Ben Higgins**

Years at Beckfoot: (2008 - 2014)

GCSE Qualifications: Maths - B, English - C, BTEC Sport- Distinction, ICT- Merit. R.E, Geography, German, Design & Technology - D.

Enrichment Activities at Beckfoot: I took part in football and rugby after school clubs and swam in school galas (I was captain for two years). In Year 10, I won the Bingley Rotary Chef of the Year award and went on to compete against other schools in Yorkshire. I took part in the National Citizenship Award.

My advice is: *“Don’t worry if traditional routes of education aren’t for you. I was not academically strong yet I feel I have come a long way and have a lot to be proud of. Everyone is capable of achieving what they want in life, whether it’s university, college, work or traditional training. You’ve just got to be prepared to work hard and it will definitely pay off in the end.”*

Current career: I am currently a teaching assistant at Hazelbeck School. My favourite part of my job is seeing the students enjoy learning and being in school as it makes me feel like I am really making a difference to their lives. In addition to working full time I also volunteer at Bradford Disability Sport and Leisure as a swimming coach.