



BEECHEN CLIFF

Wednesday 21st June 2017

Message from the Headmaster

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next week we welcome our new Year 7 boys and their parents into Beechen Cliff. Obviously we will aim to make sure that their induction into the School is positive and that the 'experienced' boys of the Lower School will be in a position to make our new charges feel at home.

We wish them every happiness and success in their Secondary School careers.

Yours sincerely

Mr A Davies
Headmaster

Art Show 2017

'Strong & Stable'
A showcase of the best
Art & Photography work from our
dedicated 6th Form.

**Beechen Cliff School
Art Show
29th June 2017
6.30 - 8.30pm in the Art Block
Donations bar and BBQ (weather permitting!)**

CALENDAR

Friday 23rd – Saturday 24th June

Silver DofE Walk and Camp @ Monkton Farleigh

Monday 26th June

Final GCSE Exams

Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th June

Sixth Form Induction Days

Tuesday 27th – Friday 30th June

Year 7 Normandy Trip

Barbados Cricket Tour 2017 – Parent/Student
Information meeting in M4 at 5.30pm

Wednesday 28th June

Centurion 2017 meeting – all challengers and parents-
Main Hall 6.00pm – 7.00pm

Friday 30th June

Primary Maths Team Challenge @ BCS
Shakespeare Cake Sale – 1st and 2nd Break in the
Refectory

Tuesday 4th July

Lower Sixth Psychology students @Bath University
TEDx event in the Main Hall @ 6pm

Friday 7th – Friday 14th July

Salzburg Music Tour with Hayesfield School

Tuesday 11th July – Saturday 22nd July

Mountaineering Trip to Vallouise

Pupil uniform this week

With the current weather conditions, naturally it can get very hot and sticky in certain classrooms. We have relaxed our normal uniform expectations in that pupils are not expected to wear their blazers and they can remove their ties during the school day. All pupils were made aware of this on Monday. There have also been a series of assemblies this week highlighting how pupils should stay safe in the sun.

Please continue to ensure that your son has sun-cream on in the morning and that he has a bottle of water.

Mr K Mann
Pastoral

Barbados Cricket Tour 2017 Information Meeting - Date change

Please be advised the previously advertised parent and student meeting for the forthcoming Barbados Cricket Tour has been changed, due to a sporting fixture.

The meeting will now take place on **Tuesday, 27th June at 5.30pm in M4.**

Mr L Sumsion
Head of Shakespeare

Be Tick aware

At this stage of the year through various outdoor activities many students will be in areas where they could pick up ticks. Due to the mild winter these minute spider like insects are in great abundance this year. They are parasitic and take blood from their host. They are normally easy to remove with tweezers and are quite common. However they can carry Lyme disease, which if untreated is extremely debilitating. The incidence of this disease is on the rise so here is some advice on what to look out for. Further details are available by following the links from the Outdoor Education section of the school website or directly from <http://www.lymediseaseaction.org.uk/about-ticks/>

LYME DISEASE SYMPTOMS	
If bit by a tick carrying lyme bacteria you may get some/all of the following symptoms:	
• Fatigue	• A Rash
• Weakness	• Dizziness
• Headache	• Confusion
• Back Pain	• Buzzing in Nerves
• Joint Muscle Pain	• Paralysis
• Stiff Sore Neck	• Trouble with: Speaking Thinking
• Nausea/Diarrhoea	• Talking Walking Concentrating
• Sore Throat	• Trouble Breathing
• Swollen Glands	• Mood Swings Crying Spells

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The rash is very distinctive and looks like a target/dart board. Please consult your doctor if you see this.

Mr D Brewer
Head of Humanities

Lost Property

There is a considerable amount of unnamed Lost Property in the Medical Room.

Please can pupils with missing items be encouraged to come and check before the end of term.



Mrs K Lothgren
School Health Co-ordinator

Word of the Week: Panacea

A noun - a / the panacea
Pronounced *pan-a-see-a*

= a solution or remedy for all difficulties or diseases
= something that will make everything about a situation better

- Do you **know** it?
- Can you **spell** it?
- Can you **use** it correctly in your work this week?

Use it:

The software patch is designed to be a **panacea** for all of the security risks in the program.

Many people hold to the belief that chicken soup is a **panacea** for all respiratory illnesses.

Western aid may help the ailing country, but it will not be a **panacea**.

Spell it:

Pan a cea

Panacea - from the Greek *panakeia* → *panakes* ('all-healing), via *pan* ('all) and *akos* ('remedy')

How many other words with the prefix 'pan' ('all') do you know?...

Pandemic; pandemonium; panorama...

Mrs L Leonardi
Literacy Co-ordinator

Shakespeare Cake Sale - Friday, 30th June

Shakespeare House are holding a Cake Sale in aid of Zimpeto Children's Centre Mozambique to raise money for teaching cooking skills.



Remember to come along to the Refectory on Friday, 30th June during 1st and 2nd break and purchase some cake.

Mr L Sumsion
Head of Shakespeare

Fidget Spinners

Please find attached to this newsletter a copy of the Press Release issued by BANES Trading Standards Department into seized and potentially unsafe Fidget Spinners.

IMPORTANT

Theme of the Week



Theme of the week this week is focusing on Refugee Week which takes place every year across the world in the week around World Refugee Day on the 20th June.

In the UK, Refugee Week is a nationwide programme of arts, cultural and educational events that celebrate the contribution of refugees to the UK, and encourages a better understanding between communities.

Refugee Week started in 1998 as a direct reaction to hostility in the media and society in general towards refugees and asylum seekers. An established part of the UK's cultural calendar, Refugee Week is now one of the leading national initiatives working to counter this negative climate, defending the importance of sanctuary and the benefits it can bring to both refugees and host communities.

The aims of Refugee Week are:

- To encourage a diverse range of events to be held throughout the UK, which facilitate positive encounters between refugees and the general public in order to encourage greater understanding and overcome hostility.
- To showcase the talent and expertise that refugees bring with them to the UK.
- To explore new and creative ways of addressing the relevant issues and reach beyond the refugee sector.
- To provide information which educates and raises awareness of the reality of refugee experiences.

http://www.star-network.org.uk/index.php/refugees/facts_figures

<http://www.unhcr.org/uk/asylum-in-the-uk.html>
<http://refugeeweek.org.uk/resources/education-resources/educational-videos/>

Mrs A Wilmot
PHSE Co-ordinator

Beechen Cliff Parent Teacher Association Presents
Summer Band Night
Friday 7th July 2017 at 8pm
Band & Bar for £10. Food will be available separately
Parents, Friends, Family and Staff all welcome
Tickets available NOW on Parent Pay.
Book early to avoid disappointment

Picnic in the Park 2017



Come and join the annual summer celebration of Alexandra Park, Bath's beauty spot at the top of Beechen Cliff. It will take place on Sunday 2nd July from noon until 6pm.

There will be a host of free attractions - live music throughout the afternoon, line dancing and fitness displays and a novelty dog show:

Children are invited to join a fancy dress parade during the afternoon - with the park as their inspiration so they can be animals, insects, plants, trees, fairies or elves, whatever takes their fancy in that magical place

There will also be face-painting, fitness challenges and Splat the Rat.

All ages will have the chance to demonstrate their strength in the tug o' war competitions and those keen to explore the quieter delights of the surroundings will be guided through bird watching by RSPB stalwart John Yates.

Families are, of course, welcome to bring their own picnics although personal barbecues are not permitted in the park, but for those who just want to relax there will be burgers, pizzas and ice-creams on sale along with a bar run by Nicky and Mike from The Devonshire Arms. The park's bowls club will be offering teas and cakes as well as demonstrations on how to play bowls

It should be a great afternoon for all.

TEDx
BeechenCliffSchool
x = independently organized TED event

Tuesday 4th July 2017
at 6pm in the Main Hall

The first TEDx event at a school in Bath

FUTURE PROOF

Limited tickets (£5) available for
Year 11 & Sixth Form students and parents
Refreshments and a light supper are included

Email: TEDxBeechenCliffSchool@BeechenCliff.org.uk
by 23rd June to apply for tickets.
Allocation confirmed via email and
priority given to students

CRICKET FESTIVAL RAFFLE

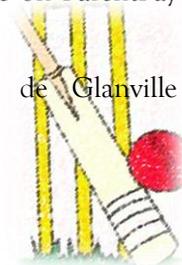
Our Year 7/8 Cricket Festival, is being held this year on Tuesday, 4th July, 9am – 1pm. Proceeds from the Festival Raffle this year will be shared between Dementia UK and Dorothy House.

Raffle tickets are now available from Mrs de Glanville and A Stapleford. They will be also be available on ParentPay shortly and of course on the day at £1 a strip.

If you have a suitable prize to donate that would be FANTASTIC! Please contact Mrs de Glanville (volandadeglanville@beechencliff.org.uk) or bring it to the school or maths office via your child.

We have received some wonderful prizes so far - thank you to those that have donated.

Mrs Y de Glanville



Sports

Sports Fixtures

The details below are correct at the time of publication. Please check the BCS Sports website for updated information.

Day	Fixture	Meeting time	Transport	Start	Finish/Return
Thurs 22 nd June	CRICKET 1 st XI (A) v Kingswood School	12.30	MB	14.00	19.30
	TENNIS U13 (A) v Ralph Allen	15.25	MB	16.00	18.00
Saturday					
Sunday					
Mon 26 th June	TENNIS U13C Year 7/8 BANES tournament (A) at Oldfield	15.15	MB	16.00	18.15
Tues 27 th June	CRICKET U12B (A) v Chew Valley School	15.00	MB	16.00	18.30
	CRICKET U13B (H) v Chew Valley School	15.25	N/A	16.00	19.00
	TENNIS U13A Y8, U13B Y7 (A) v KES	15.25	MB	16.00	18.30
Weds 28 th June	CRICKET U13A (A) v St Laurence School	14.00	MB	15.00	18.00

Sports Results – week commencing 12th June 2017

Date	Fixture	Type	Result	Score
Mon 12 th June	U12 Tennis v Prior Park	Friendly	Won	6-0
	U13 Tennis v Prior Park	Friendly	Won	4-2
Tues 13 th June	U13 Millfield Cricket tournament	Tournament	Winners	
	U12 and U13 Banes minor athletics	Event	See report	
Weds 14 th June	U13a Cricket v Dauntseys	Friendly	Won	By 68 runs
	U12a Cricket v Millfield	Friendly	Won	By 72 runs
	U12b Cricket v Millfield	Friendly	Won	By 3 wickets
	1st IV Tennis v St Peters	National knockout	Lost	2-10
Thurs 15 th June	1st XI Cricket v XL club	Friendly	Lost	By 18 runs
	U13a Cricket v Monkton	Friendly	Lost	By 34 runs

Mr P Macdonald
Director of Sport