



BEECHEN CLIFF

Wednesday 5th July 2017

End of Summer Term Arrangements

School will finish for most pupils on Friday, 14th July 2017 at approximately 12.45pm following the End of Term Assembly.

No food will be provided at lunchtime, but food will be available during both morning breaks.

Mr K Mann
Assistant Headmaster

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

CALENDAR

Friday 7th July – Sunday 9th July
Centurion Challenge 2017 – 100 miles in 48 hours

Friday 7th – Friday 14th July
Salzburg Music Tour with Hayesfield School

Thursday 13th July
Poplars Cricket Festival

Friday 14th July
End of Term Assembly

Tuesday 11th July
Inter-House Sports Day from 10.00am

Tuesday 11th July – Saturday 22nd July
Mountaineering Trip to Vallouise

Wednesday 12th July – Saturday 22nd July
Barbados Cricket Tour

Friday 14th July
End of Term School Assembly

Thursday 17th August
A Level Results – 9.30am

Thursday 24th August
GCSE Examination Results – 9.30am

Monday 4th September
Start of Autumn Term – pupils return to School



Reporting Pupil Absences



Please can parents take note of the contact details below when reporting any absences from School, including late arrivals and medical appointments:

Lower School Pupils

To report a Lower School absence please call the Attendance Office direct on 01225 485222, or you can email attendance@beechencliff.org.uk

Sixth Form Students

For Sixth Form students please contact Mrs Jones on 01225 485221.

If the attendance lines are busy, do please leave a message on the answer machines.

Summer School

Following the success of last year's programme, Summer School will take place from **Monday, 17th July to Wednesday, 19th July 2017**. There will be a structured programme with particular emphasis on developing skills and knowledge in Literacy, Numeracy and Grammar. Whilst some pupils will be asked to attend Summer School on a compulsory basis, it is open to all of our pupils. This should prove to be a fruitful time to "top up" curriculum knowledge gained throughout the academic year and address areas that were perhaps more challenging.

If you would like your son to attend Summer School on a voluntary basis, please email me on timothy.markall@beechncliff.org.uk

Mr T D Markall
Assistant Headmaster

Theme of the Week



Theme of the week this week is focusing on Independence Day, also referred to as the Fourth of July or July Fourth.

This is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on 4th July 1776. The Continental Congress declared that the thirteen American colonies regarded themselves as a new nation, the United States of America, and were no longer part of the British Empire.

Independence Day is commonly associated with fireworks, parades, barbecues, carnivals, fairs, picnics, concerts, baseball games, family reunions, and political speeches and ceremonies, in addition to various other public and private events celebrating the history, government, and traditions of the United States. Independence Day is the National Day of the United States.

The first description of how Independence Day would be celebrated was in a letter from John Adams to his wife Abigail on 3rd July 1776. He described "pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations" throughout the United States. However, the term "Independence Day" was not used until 1791.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-iu4gVvik4I>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LKJMWHCUoiiw>

Mrs A Wilmot
PSHE Co-ordinator

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.



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

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

Mr D Brewer
Head of Humanities

Word of the Week: Relatively

An adverb = in relation, comparison or proportion to something else - "relatively speaking".

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

Use it:

The candidate for the party leadership is **relatively** unknown outside of his constituency.

The breath-taking old town has remained **relatively** untouched despite its popularity with tourists.

The county's significant world influence is disproportionate to its **relatively** small size.

The language is **relatively** easy to pick up, with beginner classes available on request.

Spell it:

Relative + ly
(you do not lose the final e)

Relatively speaking, my relatives seem pretty normal compared to some I've heard about!

Mrs L Leonardi
Literacy Co-ordinator



Centurion Challenge 2107

100 MILES IN 48 HOURS

16:00 FRIDAY 7TH JULY TO 16:00 SUNDAY 9TH JULY



The Challenge is a fully supported walk with camping on the Friday night and Saturday night. There are toilets/sinks/ showers on the site – and there are various possible toilet stops on the route. But you will need the following for the campsite:

- A sleeping bag / pillow / sleeping mat or ‘blow up’ mattress
- Washing kit: soap/shampoo/tooth brush/tooth paste/ flannel / towel/ other toiletries?
- Small first aid kit/ blister kit - you might want to carry some of this with you

Clothing and Equipment for the Challenge

Clothing – appropriate for weather conditions – *check the weather forecast.*

- Water proof trousers/water proof jacket (please bring them although you may not need them)
- Trousers / shorts / track suit bottoms – minimum x 2 (No jeans - they absorb a disproportional amount of water, become ‘too’ heavy when wet, do not dry quickly and will rub)
- T Shirts/ sweat shirts/light fleece or jacket/base layer vest – work out your layering system.
- Socks x 3pairs minimum (more is better and you may wish to carry a spare pair with you perhaps with some talcum powder /Vaseline)
- Good supportive training shoes or a mountain ‘approach style’ shoe (walking boots are not necessary but you do need some ankle support) – ideally x2 as you may wish to change them.
- A change of clothing to wear around the camp site is not required as you will not be in camp long enough – some Centurions will only change their socks – BUT you may wish to sleep in clothes other than those you have walked in.
- Wear a sun hat /cap or other suitable head attire to protect you from the elements (sun/rain).

Put all kit in a labelled bag/suitcase (a bin bag is fine- but remember they do all look the same). All these items will be taken to Devizes Camp – you will collect these on arrival

Mobile Phone /mobile phone charger /battery backup

KEEP YOUR PHONE WITH YOU. You must look after your phone.

Please remember a water bottle, full for the start of the Challenge. There will be water stations on route.

Any snacks you will need for the Friday walk will need to go in your day sack. Other snacks for Saturday and Sunday can be put in your ‘personal luggage’ and taken to Devizes.

We provide breakfast (cereals/bacon rolls/ fruits muesli) and evening meals (BBQ on Friday evening, and Pasta and Bolognese on Saturday). Saturday lunch will be Ham/Cheese/Salad Rolls, flap jacks, fruit and energy bars. There will be bottled water and energy bars at Bradford on Avon on Sunday morning.

Marshalls usually bring with them a selection of sweets and biscuits too for distribution to the challengers

We will endeavour to cater for all needs but if you have a ‘very special’ diet we may not be able to accommodate your requirements. If this is case you will need to bring your own food.

Medication remember to bring any essential medication with you and any pain killers/anti- histamines that you are allowed to take. You will need to carry your ‘epi pen’ or inhaler if you have one and bring a spare. Give the spare to us so we can store it centrally.

With your consent, we will help you take care of your feet should this be necessary. Blisters usually do occur and you will need a strategy on how to cope with them. Bring with you some plasters and a few blister packs. Some anti-inflammatory medication may be a good idea if you are used taking it. Suntan lotion may be required.

Additionally if you wish items to be transported to St Lawrence Church for collection / use on the Saturday, then this can usually be done. Put them on the designated mini bus – you will be told on the Saturday morning.

Finally, please do not bring your **valuable/fragil items or electrical devices** (other than your phone). We will not take any responsibility for them, spend time trying to locate them or indeed hold exhaustive enquires should they ‘disappear’.

Walking and being too engrossed in using your mobile phone (e.g. listening to music or texting /social media) will distract your attention and may cause a hazardous situation to develop. **You** are responsible to yourself and the others around you. No portable sound systems of any type are allowed at camp or on the walk.

Mr Stewart and the Centurion Team

Camera for sale – perfect for A level Photography course

Canon 500D in perfect working order. With padded camera bag and SD card reader. Purchased for the course, and the camera is no longer needed. £200 please. Contact Kate on red1214@hotmail.co.uk to discuss if interested.



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 6 th July	BCA ATHLETICS Year 7 and Year 8 (A)	15.15	MB	16.00	18.15
Weds 12 th July	CRICKET - U12B (A) v Chew Valley	14.25	MB	TBA	18.30
Thurs 13 th July	Poplars Cricket Festival - Wingfield	12 Noon	MB	13.00	19.00

Sports Results - week commencing 26th June 2017

Date	Fixture	Type	Result	Score
Mon 26 th June	U12/13 Baner tournament	Tournament	Winners	
Tues 27 th June	U13b Cricket v Chew Valley	Friendly	Lost	By 12 runs
	U13a Tennis v KES	Friendly	Won	8-4
	U12a Tennis v KES	Friendly	Lost	6-7
Weds 28 th June	1st XI v MCC	Friendly	Lost	By 18 runs

Mr P Macdonald
Director of Sport

Spotters Summer Hockey Camp

Spotters Hockey August 2017 Camp will be running on 22nd and 23rd August 2017 (9am - 2pm) at Beechen Cliff School for hockey players ages between the ages of 7 and 15 years old. The camp provides high quality, fun and enjoyable coaching with skilled based sessions designed to improve your child's hockey skills whatever their ability. The camp utilises proven, research based techniques and treats your child as an individual, increasing their knowledge of hockey and boosting game awareness. Also running is the Spotters High Performance camp, attendance at which is free when booking on the main camp.

For more information and bookings email spottershockey@yahoo.co.uk.
Early booking deadline is this Friday!

Sally Potter
Spotters Hockey Academy Director

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Spotters SUMMER HOCKEY CAMP

Tues 22nd - Weds 23rd August 2017
9am - 2pm

BEECHEN CLIFF ASTRO

Includes Kookaburra Hockey prizes!

10% Early Booking DISCOUNT
Book & pay by 30 June 2017

SPECIALISED EFFECTIVE COACHING

£27.50 per day
£50 both days

COACHES
Sally Potter - England Hockey Level 2 Coach, BSC(Hons) Sports Performance
Josh Norton - Bristol & West 1st XI
Toby Heywood - Devon National League
Harry Brackley - Cardiff Met and BCS

HIGH QUALITY, FUN AND ENJOYABLE! COACHING TO IMPROVE PERFORMANCE FOR ALL ABILITIES

- ✓ 1 v 1 Skills
- ✓ Goal Scoring
- ✓ Passing
- ✓ Mini Games
- ✓ Competitions and prizes both days

GIRLS & BOYS
7 to 15 yrs*

*we are flexible, please ask.

Players at MCC level aged 15+ may also attend the High Performance Camp which will run concurrently from 10am - 2pm for an additional charge.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & BOOKINGS email: spottershockey@yahoo.co.uk
Qualified and DBS cleared coaches

Camp Director - Sally Potter, England Hockey Level 2, BSC(Hons) Sports Performance

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SUMMER CAMPS 2017

10 JULY - 25 AUGUST

AGES 3 - ADULT, LANSDOWN + BLOOMFIELD VENUES

INFORMATION & BOOKING @ www.tt-tennis.co.uk