



BEECHEN CLIFF

Week Commencing 19th February 2018

First Gold Medal of the Season for Corey Walkes



Beechen Cliff Sixth Form Student and Great Britain Junior Trampoline Gymnast Corey Walkes, has arrived home from his first international competition of 2018 with his first gold medal of the season.

Corey flew out to Portugal to compete as an individual in the Cascais Beach Cup, an international 'friendly' held near Lisbon where he successfully completed his new voluntary routine for the first time with a three triple somersault start, impressing the judges and wowing the spectators with the highest level of both difficulty (15.4) and execution of the entire competition. You can watch Corey's winning routine by clicking [here](#).

Corey is working hard, combining studying for his 'A' levels with his training at Quayside Trampoline and Gymnastics Club in Bridgewater training alongside Senior Great Britain Trampoline gymnast, Laura Gallagher. He is also a junior member of the GB Trampoline Olympic Potential (TOP) Squad. Corey has been selected to compete for Great Britain at the Dutch Open which will be held in Alkmaar in three weeks time.



Congratulations Corey!

CALENDAR

Saturday 24th February– Sunday 25th February
Ten Tors Training in Dartmoor

Tuesday 27th February
House Football - Years 7 and 10
Future Horizon Design and Construction careers @3.30pm on the Sixth Form Study Area
Year 8 Parents' Evening

Thursday 1st March
World Book Day

Friday 2nd March
House Football - Year 8 and Year 9
Quiz and Curry Night in the Refectory

Saturday 3rd March – Sunday 11th March
USA Ski Trip

Tuesday 6th March – Sunday 11th March
Lower Sixth Classics trip to Rome
Malaga Parents' Information Evening 5.30 in L3

Wednesday 7th March and Thursday 8th March
Annual Music Concert at St Luke's Church

Lunchtime Arrangements – Winter Trial


After trialling two different winter lunchtime models, we have decided to maintain last term's successful arrangements (i.e. two staggered 45 minute lunchtimes for different year groups) until the end of this academic year. The only difference this term is a 5 minute extension of the registration period at the end of the day resulting in the school day now finishing at 15:20. We will run with this school day until Easter before confirming the 2018/19 arrangements.

Mr P Watts
Deputy Headmaster

Staff Required



Please see attached to this week's newsletter details of two current vacancies; an Assistant Chef and a Teaching Assistant. Please see the School website for details <https://www.beechencliff.org.uk/vacancies/>

Mrs C Thompson
Headmaster's PA/Administration Manager



FUTURE HORIZONS

Design & Construction Careers

**James Collis-Pritchard
from Pentagon Play**

**Tuesday 27th February 2018
3:30pm Sixth Form Study Area**

Open to all Sixth Form Students
Refreshments Provided

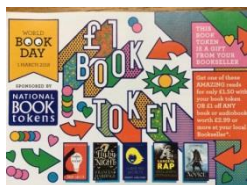
Literacy

Reader of the Week:

Congratulations to **Joshua Barnett**, Year 7 (KP8) who is our reader of the week and also a millionaire member. Joshua has now taken 18 quizzes with a 92% pass rate – great work!

Louis Marshall is our latest millionaire to be added to the tree, reading a total of **1,005,244** words and passing 16/16 book quizzes! Well done Louis!

Thanks to National Book Tokens, publishers and booksellers, World Book Day will be distributing more than **15 million** £1 World Book Day book tokens to children and young people across the country!



Therefore, please do come and collect a token from the library, which you can then use in your local participating bookshop either for one of TEN exclusive, new and completely FREE books or alternatively you can put it towards one of FIVE fantastic full-length books priced at only £2.50 each.

Or, if you would prefer, you can use your book token to get **£1 off** any full price book instead. And if you would rather get an audiobook, that is fine too! It is your choice, just as long as the book or audiobook costs at least £2.99. Then all you have to do is take your book home and enjoy it!

The offer is valid from Monday, 26th February to Sunday, 25th March 2018 and so come and grab yourself a token from the library in time for next week! Visit www.worldbookday.com for more information

Mrs H Dunn
Accelerated Reader Coordinator

Word of the Week: - Plethora

Noun – a *plethora* (of...)

= a large or excessive amount of something.

= often has a negative connotation, e.g. more of something than you would want, need or can deal with.

Use it:

The plethora of rules and regulations is both contradictory and confusing.

There is a plethora of books on the subject.

The punk rock era brought about a turning point for many musicians, with a plethora of new independent record labels.

Spell it:

pleth or a

Origins:

From the Greek word *plethein*, meaning 'to be full (of)'

Mrs L Leonardi
Literacy Co-ordinator



Lost Property

Following the feedback that you have provided for us from recent Parents' Evenings, please note that lost property is handed in and stored with the School Nurse



If your son has lost an item of uniform or sports kit, please encourage him to visit the school nurse during a break or lunch time to see if the item is there.

Please also remember that if your son has any issues related to his well-being at school initially he should talk to his tutor or Head of House who will work with him to ensure that the appropriate support is offered.

Mr K Mann
Assistant Headmaster

Theme of the Week – Safer Internet Day

Theme of the week for week beginning 19th February is Safer Internet Day. This was officially marked in the UK on 6th February, but the message behind the campaign is vital all year round. Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and the campaign sees over 1,600 organisations unite to raise awareness of online safety issues and run events and activities right across the UK. This year, the slogan is "Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you".



Please find attached to this newsletter a copy of a presentation which takes you through uses of digital technology, how being online can affect us, and ideas for creating, connecting and sharing respect online. Towards the end of the presentation are some examples of projects and organisations which aim to use digital technology to tackle some of the negative effects of using social media (e.g. self-esteem, mental health and discrimination). The links to these organisations mentioned are also listed below:

<https://www.dove.com/uk/dove-self-esteem-project.html>

<https://youngminds.org.uk/get-involved/campaign-with-us/life-on-the-web/>

www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/programs-and-projects/see-beyond-race

There is also a quiz to take to see how the internet affects your day to day life.

Miss P Netto
PSHE Co-ordinator

Beechen Cliff Annual Music Concert 2018

The School will be presenting its Annual Music Concert on Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th March 2018 at St Luke's Church, Hatfield Road, (BA2 2BD). Several Ensembles will be involved, including Concert Band, Swing Band, Folk Group, String Group, Guitar Ensemble, Choir, Percussion Ensemble and Year 7 Orchestra, presenting a wide range of repertoire from Handel through to Stevie Wonder!

The Concert will commence at 7.00pm and finish at approximately 9.30pm including a 20 minute interval during which refreshments will be available.

Tickets are priced at just £1 and can be acquired via ParentPay. Please note this is a ticketless event. An electronic record of tickets purchased will be kept to allow admission on the night.

We look forward to seeing you at what promises to be an enjoyable evening!

Mr P E Calvert
Head of Music

Apprenticeships and Jobs Fair

Bath College will be holding an Apprenticeships and Jobs Fair on Wednesday 7th March 2018 at the Assembly Rooms. It will be open from 12noon until 6pm and pupils/students, parents and the public are welcome to attend.




For further information please see the flyer attached to this newsletter or contact Bath College on 01225 328687.

I shall be inviting a small number of Year 10 and Year 11 pupils to attend the event, during the school day, and those pupils shall be notified in the near future.

Mr J Forrest
Careers and Work Related Manager

Quiz and Curry Night – Friday 2nd March

 Tickets are now on sale for the Quiz and Curry Night on Friday 2nd March in the Refectory. Available on ParentPay and from the Main Office, tickets cost £8.00 which includes a selection of curries and quiz entry. Come along with family and friends in teams of 4-6. There will be a bar and a raffle with some great prizes.

All proceeds from the event will go to support the Sixth Form charity project work in Transylvania with People Against Poverty.

Mr P Watts
Deputy Headmaster

PTA News

Raise funds for Beechen Cliff School PTA when you shop on-line!

'Give as you Live' is an award winning, online fundraising website which gives Beechen Cliff parents the opportunity to raise funds for the PTA every time they shop at thousands of online stores including Amazon, ebay, John Lewis, Tesco Direct and Trainline. Many other PTAs are already registered with this scheme with some raising over £4,000 for their schools.

The idea is simple. In exchange for sending customers to a store's site, the store pays a commission to 'Give as You Live' which is shared with us as a charity and Give as you Live to help fund their running costs. Give as You Live is completely free for parents to join, costs parents no extra when shopping and is quick and easy to use.

Follow the link below to find out more, register, and raise valuable funds to enhance the education of children at Beechen Cliff School.

<https://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/beechen-cliff-school-parent-teacher-association>



Annie and Kate PTA Co-Chairs

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Spotters Easter Hockey Camp

Spotters Easter Hockey Camp will be running 9am -2pm on 5th and 6th April 2018 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.



These camps are normally very popular, there is a discount if you book before 3rd March 2018, with the discounted cost from just £22.50 per day; there are limited spaces on this occasion, so please book early to secure a place for your child. For more details or to book your child's place please email spottershockey@yahoo.co.uk or see Mr Norton for more details. A Spotters flyer is also attached to this weeks newsletter.

Sally Potter
Spotters

SPORTS

Sporting Fixtures

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

Day	Kick Off/ Start Time	Fixture	Meeting Time	Transport	Finish/ Return
Thurs 22 nd February	14.15	Football 1 st XI, 2 nd XI v Marlborough College (A)	12.00	Coach 12.15	17.30
	15.45	Hockey U16A v Warminster School (H)	15.00	n/a	17.15
	14.30	Netball U18A, U18B v Sexey's School (H)	13.45	n/a	16.00
	15.30	Football U15A v Oldfield School (H)	15.15	n/a	16.45
	15.45	Cricket Sixes U13A v Area Tournament @ St Katherines (A)	14.15	MB	18.45
		Football U14B, U12 Atletico v Somervale School (A)	14.45	MB	17.15
		Hockey 2 nd XI v Warminster (A)	14.30	MB	17.30
Fri 23 rd February		Football U13A v Verulam School (A)	9.30	Coach 9.45	19.00
Sun 25 th February	10.00	Rugby Sevens U18A v Wellington College - Canford 7s	7.45	Coach 8.00	16.30
	11.00	Rugby Sevens U18A v Kings School Bruton - Cranford 7s			
	11.20	Rugby Sevens U18A v Bishop Wordsworth's School - Cranford 7			
Mon 26 th February	14.30	Football U15A v Hans Price Academy (H)	13.30	MB	16.00
	15.30	Football U13A v Writhlington School (A)	14.45	Coach 15.00	17.00
	12.00	Yr 10 Sports Leaders @ Odd Down (A)	11.30	MB	16.15
Tues 27 th February	9.00	Hockey U13A County Tournament (A)	8.00	MB	15.30
	15.15	Football U13B, U12 Atletico V Oldfield School (A)	14.45	MB	17.00
	16.00	Football 1 st XI v Chew Valley School (H)	15.00	n/a	17.30
	TBC	Rugby 7's U14s @ Marlborough	TBC		
Weds 28 th February	14.30	Hockey U12A v Prior Parl College (A)	13.45	MB	15.45
	15.30	Football U12 Atletico, U12 Real, Betis U12 v Matravers School (A)	14.15	Coach 14.30	17.30
	15.30	Football U14B v St Mark's CofE School (A)	14.45	MB	17.00
	16.45	Hockey U14A v Prior Park College (A)	15.15	MB	18.00
	TBC	Rugby 7's U18A v Midlesex 7's (A)	8.00	MB	17.30

Sports Results for Week Commencing 5th February 2018

Date	Fixture	Type	Result	Score
Mon 5 th February	U14 Hockey v Colstons	Friendly	Lost	0-5
Tues 6 th February	U16 Basketball v Bristol Met	Friendly	Lost	38-71
	U14 Basketball v Bristol Met	Friendly	Lost	46-76
	U15a Football v QEH	Friendly	Won	1-0
	U15b Football v QEH	Friendly	Won	2-0
	U14a Football v QEH	Friendly	Won	3-1
	U14b Football v QEH	Friendly	Lost	2-3
Weds 7 th February	U18 Basketball v St Gregory's	Friendly	Won	62-48
	1st XI Hockey v Kingswood	Friendly	Lost	3-4
	U14a Hockey v Dauntseys	Friendly	Lost	1-8
	U13a Hockey v Dauntseys	Friendly	Lost	1-2
	U17 Rugby v Royal Wootton Bassett	Friendly	Won	38-12
Thurs 8 th February	1st XI Football v KES	Friendly	Won	2-1
	2nd XI Hockey v KES	Friendly	Won	6-1
	U15a Football v Clifton High	Friendly	Won	7-0
	1st VII Netball v Colstons	Friendly	Lost	13-16
	2nd VII Netball v Colstons	Friendly	Lost	9-18