



BEECHEN CLIFF

Wednesday 14th November 2018

Message from the Headmaster

I wanted to thank all of the pupils and students who represented the school and their families so well in the Remembrance Sunday events at the weekend. I felt a huge sense of pride in them at their recognition of the importance of the day to so very many people throughout the country.

If you already follow the school on 'twitter' you will have seen some of the pictures posted by ourselves and Kind Edward's of the CCF contingent at the weekend. If you have not already signed up to the account it might well be worth doing so. It is worth noting that we will use twitter for emergency notices.

Mr A Davies
Headmaster

Attendance and Reporting Pupil Absences

All absence must be reported to school daily. Tell us about illness, appointments or late arrivals. A message can be left if you ring when school is closed.



For years 7–11 please call **01225 485222** or e-mail attendance@beechencliff.org.uk and for the Sixth Form please call **01225 485221**

Lost Property

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 ensure that all items are clearly named.



Calendar

Thursday 15 November

Year 11 PSHE

Saturday 17 November

U6th Oxbridge Mock interviews

Monday 19 November

Yr 11 Trial Exams (19th Nov – 23rd Nov)

HoFs Meeting

Wednesday 21 November

Presentation Evening

AASE League Match

Saturday 24th November

Rugby vs QEH

Monday 26th November

Yr7-8 Star Test Term 2 (26th Nov – 4th Dec)

Saturday 1st December

Rugby vs Bishop Wordsworth

Monday 3rd December

L6th Psychology Conference (Bristol)

Tuesday 4th December

AASE Finals (4th Dec – 5th Dec)

Thursday 6th December

Berlin Exchange (Dec 6th – Dec 16th)

Friday 7th December

Year 11 Mock Results

Monday 10th December

Year 11 Parents Evening

Wednesday 12th December

Yr9 Imperial War Museum

Sixth Form Art Trip to Europe (TBC) (13th – 14th Dec)

Thursday 13th December

Sixth Form Art Trip to Europe (TBC)

Sunday 16th December

Berlin Exchange Returns

Bath & North East Somerset Council

On behalf of Environmental Monitoring Team, Bath & North East Somerset Council – we would like to make you aware of Bath and North East Somerset Council's consultation on its proposal for a Charging Clean Air Zone for Bath.

A high level of nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) in Bath, caused by vehicle emissions, is harming the health of people living and working in the city. This type of pollution makes heart and lung conditions worse. 12,000 people in Bath and North East Somerset suffer from asthma, and exposure to high levels of NO₂ can trigger attacks. Over the longer term, it contributes to reduced lung development in children and is linked to increased possibility of heart attacks and dementia.

The Government has directed us (along with 27 other local authorities) to reduce levels of NO₂ in the shortest possible time, and by 2021 at the latest. Our assessments have determined that the most effective way to achieve this is a Class D Clean Air Zone which would charge:

- Higher emission buses, coaches and HGVs £100 per day to drive in the zone
- Higher emission cars, taxis and vans £9 per day to drive in the zone

Drivers of the following vehicles would not be charged when driving in the proposed zone because they meet minimum emission standards i.e. they are compliant, lower emission vehicles:

- Euro 6 diesel vehicles (registered from approx. 2015)
- Euro 4, 5 or 6 petrol vehicles (registered from approx. 2006)
- Fully electric and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles

We are very keen to understand the potential impacts these proposals could have on your organisation so that we can consider the mitigations we can offer. A number of exemptions, concessions and additional supporting measures are proposed as part of this scheme to lessen the impact, especially on vulnerable groups and businesses. Of relevance, are a walk/scoot/cycle to school initiative, concessions for diesel coaches which are used for educational trips and financial assistance to businesses to change to a compliant vehicle (the full list can be found on the website). We would welcome any further ideas about exemptions and concessions which you may have.

This proposal is currently out to formal consultation and we encourage you to take part in the consultation process by reading this information, completing a questionnaire or talking to us at a regular drop-in session or surgery (details available at <http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/bath-breathes-2021-overview/events>).

In addition here is a link to the summary leaflet and our website where you can find further information <http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/bath-breathes-2021-overview>.

No decisions have been made about the proposal and we're really keen to hear your views. The consultation closes on 26 November 2018. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

**Environmental Monitoring Team,
Bath & North East Somerset Council**

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Somerset Council**

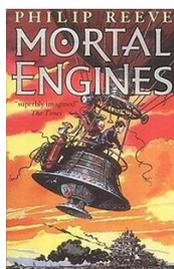
Literacy



Reader of the week

Congratulations to Lathan (7BY3) who is our well deserved reader of the week. Lathan has been a really confident, engaged reader in his weekly library lessons of late and is certainly improving as the weeks go by. We look forward to hearing you read again this term Lathan – keep up the good work!

Book Recommendation



MORTAL ENGINES by PHILIP REEVE

The first book in the award-winning MORTAL ENGINES quartet. In a dangerous future, huge motorized cities hunt, attack and fight each other for survival. As London pursues a small town, young apprentice Tom is flung out into the wastelands, where a terrifying cyborg begins to hunt him down.

MORTAL ENGINES launched Philip Reeve's brilliantly-imagined creation, the world of the Traction Era, where mobile cities fight for survival in a post-apocalyptic future.

Overdue books

Thank you to all students who have recently returned overdue library books. We have an astonishing **700** overdue books and would therefore very much appreciate it if you could have a really good hunt at home for any books that should be returned to the library for others to enjoy!

Mrs Hannah Dunn

Literacy Coordinator

Theme of the Week

Theme of the week this week is focusing on Anti-Bullying week. The theme for Anti-Bullying Week 2018 is: 'Choose Respect' and Anti-Bullying Week runs from 12th - 16th November.

Following a consultation with over 800 children, teachers and members of the Anti-Bullying Alliance, it emerged that a top priority was showing that bullying is a behaviour choice, and that children and young people can set a positive example by opting to respect each other at school, in their homes and communities, and online.

The aims of this week are to support schools and other settings to help children and young people, school staff, parents and other professionals who work with children to understand:

The definition of respect:

- That bullying is a behaviour choice
- That we can respectfully disagree with each other i.e. we don't have to be best friends or always agree with each other but we do have to respect each other
- That we all need to choose to respect each other both face to face and online

**Mrs A. Wilmot
Head of PSHE**

Word of the Week

Antonym

A noun

= a word opposite in meaning to another (e.g. fast and slow)

✓ Do you **know** it?

✓ Can you **spell** it?

✓ Can you **use** it correctly in your work this week?

Use it:

Because so many words mean the same thing, many words have more than one **antonym**.

There is more than one **antonym** for the word 'stop,' including: go, advance, move, forward...

The **antonym** of utopia is dystopia.

Synonyms are the opposite of **antonyms**.

Spell it:

Remember the y: Ant – on – ym

From the French antonyme, from ant- (from Greek anti- 'against') + Greek onuma 'a name'.

Next Week's Refectory Menu

The planned menu for the coming week, commencing **Monday 19th November** is:

Monday: Past Arabiatta, Pork and Mushroom Stroganoff, Cheddar and Leek Wellington

Tuesday: Beef Biryani, Chicken and Gammon Pie, Goats cheese and Red Onion Filo Parcel

Wednesday: Roast Beef, Lemon and Thyme Chicken, Squash sage and blue cheese Risotto

Thursday: Moussaka, Turkey Steak with a Pesto Cream Sauce, Sweet Potato and Chickpea Curry

Friday: Fish of the Week, Sausage Casserole, Falafel Wrap with Minted Mayonnaise

Please be advised that any of the above can be subject to change.

Mr D Keal
Head Chef

MESSAGES FROM THE PTA



Fundraise for Beechen Cliff PTA while shopping online this Christmas!

amazon

ebay



TESCO
Every little helps



ASOS

Sainsbury's



'Give as you Live' is a website which gives Beechen Cliff parents, carers, family and friends the opportunity to raise funds for Beechen Cliff PTA every time they shop at thousands of online stores. The scheme is easy to use, costs parents no extra when shopping and is free to join.

Help us raise funds towards our current goal of providing laptops for the school and purchasing new design and technology equipment. Follow the link to find out more and register, or search Give as You Live Beechen Cliff.

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

Ceilidh

This Friday 16th November 7.30pm -10.30pm School Hall. Looking forward to seeing all those who have booked their space on ParentPay for this event. Remember that food is included and there will be a cash bar and raffle on the night. Oh, and don't forget your dancing shoes.

Note from Head Chef

Over the past few weeks I have been moderating the queuing time for the second lunch period to try and work out the longest that a pupil would have to wait to get their lunch in the Refectory. At its peak the waiting time is 12 minutes.

Alternatively if your child does not want to queue at lunchtime they can purchase food at break time and keep it for lunch which I know quite a lot of pupils are already doing .

Thank you

Mr D Keal
Head Chef

Duke of Edinburgh Award Update

Please see attached an Award update and photos from the latest Silver expedition that took place from the 9th to the 11th of November.

Thank you.

P Carroll
Dof E Manager

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	Fixture	Meeting Time	Transport	Finish / Return
Monday 19th November	12:00	Sports Leaders @ Odd Down	11:30	MB	16:45
Tuesday 20th November	15:00	U12b Football vs Stonar (a)	13:30	MB	17:30
	14:00	Shooting @ Dauntsey's (a)	12:30	MB	18:00
Wednesday 21st November	14:30	U13a/U12a/U12b Rugby vs Clifton College Prep (a)	13:00	MBx3	17:30
	14:45	1st XV Rugby vs Bishop Burton (Cheltenham RFC)	11:00	Coach (39 seats)	20:00
	14:30	1st XI Football vs Chew Valley	13:15	9 seater	16:30
Thursday 22nd November	14:30	U15b/U14a/U14b Rugby vs Bryanston (a)	12:00	Coach (2x53 seats)	18:30
	15:00	1st XI Girls Hockey vs Royal High (a)	13:30	MB	17:30
	14:30	U15a Rugby vs Bishops - Wordsworth (a)	12:30	MB + 9 seater	18:00
Friday 23rd November	13:00	U15 Rugby vs Writhlington (Project Rugby) @ the Rec	11:45	MB	14:30
Saturday 24th November	10:30	2nd/U15a Rugby vs QEH (h)	09:30	Centurion Coach (x2 61/53)	12:30
	10:30	U16a/U14a/U13a/u13b/U12a/U12b vs QEH (a)	08:15	Coach (1x61/1x53)	13:30

Sporting Results for week commencing 7th November 2018

Date	Fixture	Type	Result	Score
7th Nov	1st XV Rugby vs Oaklands College	ASSE League	Won	33-5
8th Nov	2nd XV Rugby vs Bryanston	Friendly	Won	22-21
8th Nov	U16a Rugby vs Bryanston	Friendly	Won	49-10
8th Nov	1st XI Football vs Shaftesbury	National Cup 2nd Round	Won	5-1
8th Nov	1st XI Girls Hockey vs Dauntsey's	Friendly	Lost	3-1
8th Nov	2nd XI Girls Hockey vs Dauntsey's	Friendly	Lost	14-0

Mr M Walker
Fixtures Co-ordinator