



BEECHEN CLIFF

Wednesday 28th November 2018

Message from the Headmaster

Next weeks the 1st XV (AASE) Rugby team will represent us in the finale at Allianz Park. The boys have played spectacularly well throughout the season and their team spirit, determination to refine every aspect of their performance and to encourage the best from each other really should act as examples to us all in the school.

We wish them every success – a second national final in one year and very proud they have made us all.

I know that boys are not always very enthusiastic about wearing coats but I would ask parents and carers to ensure that they bring their charges with them. The rain and wind 'over the hill' can be fairly intense and boys will always achieve that little bit more if they are not soaked to the skin!

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**



Calendar

Saturday 1st December

Rugby vs Bishop Wordsworth

Monday 3rd December

L6th Psychology Conference (Bristol)

HoH/Tutors Meeting

Tuesday 4th December

AASE Finals (Dec 4th – Dec 5th)

Wednesday 5th December

Yr 11 English trip to Macbeth Theatre Royal, Bath (14:30)

Sixth Form Art & Photography Trip Amsterdam (Dec 5th—Dec 8th)

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)

Sunday 16th December

Berlin Exchange Returns

Monday 17th December

HoH/Tutors Meeting (15:30-16:30)

Tuesday 18th December

U6th Parents Evening (16:30-20:00)

Year 11 Parents Evening

Year 11 Parents Evening is on Monday 10th of December, Appointments can be booked online until 9pm on Wednesday 5th December.

Mr T D Markall

Assistant Headmaster

Theme of the Week

Theme of the week this week is focusing on World AIDS Day.

World AIDS Day takes place on the 1st December each year. It's an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, to show support for people living with HIV, and to commemorate those who have died from an AIDS-related illness. Founded in 1988, World AIDS Day was the first ever global health day.

Over 101,000 people are living with HIV in the UK. Globally, there are an estimated 36.7 million people who have the virus. Despite the virus only being identified in 1984, more than 35 million people have died of HIV or AIDS, making it one of the most destructive pandemics in history.

Today, scientific advances have been made in HIV treatment, there are laws to protect people living with HIV and we understand so much more about the condition. Despite this, each year in the UK around 5,000 people are diagnosed with HIV, people do not know the facts about how to protect themselves and others, and stigma and discrimination remain a reality for many people living with the condition.

World AIDS Day is important because it reminds the public and government that HIV has not gone away – there is still a vital need to raise money, increase awareness, fight prejudice and improve education.

World AIDS Day is an opportunity to show solidarity with the millions of people living with HIV worldwide. Most people do this by wearing an HIV awareness red ribbon on the day. We have ribbons for sale in the main office. The E-Team will also be visiting tutor groups with the ribbons. A suggested donation of 50p would be appreciated.

<https://www.worldaidsday.org/video/>

Thank you,

Mrs A Wilmot

PSHE Co-ordinator

Christmas Baking Event!

Come in out of the cold and join us in making some festive Christmas treats!

Date: Thursday 13th December

Time: 3.30-4.30pm

Where: T3



How do I sign up? See Mrs Roberts in T3 with payment of £2 as soon as possible.

Only 20 places available so don't delay, get your (ice) skates on!

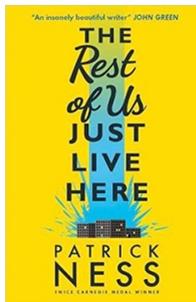
Literacy



Reader of the week

Congratulations to Seth (7ML3) who has taken (and passed!) 14 Accelerated Reader quizzes with a 92% pass rate. Seth, has to date read nearly half a million words and is well on his way to being one of our reading millionaires! Keep up the good work!

Book Recommendation



The Rest of Us Just Live Here by Patrick Ness

Award-winning writer Patrick Ness's bold and irreverent novel powerfully asks what if you weren't the Chosen One? The one who's supposed to fight the zombies, or the soul-eating ghosts, or whatever this new thing is, with the blue lights and the death? What if you were like Mikey? Who just wants to graduate and go to prom and maybe finally work up the courage to ask Henna out before someone goes and blows up the high school. Again. Because sometimes there are problems bigger than this week's end of the world and sometimes you just have to find the extraordinary in your ordinary life. Even if your best friend might just be the God of mountain lions...

Christmas Ideas

For those of you wanting to get a head start on the Christmas shopping, do have a look at www.arbookfinder.co.uk inputting your son's ZPD reading range, selecting Middle Years (9-13) and narrowing the search down by topic/genre – this software will generate a 'shopping list' of books which he will enjoy and which will be represent the appropriate level of challenge.



Mrs Dunn

Literacy Coordinator

Message from Food Technology

Left Food Containers in Food Technology.

If your son has been doing Food Tech and you think you are missing some plastic food containers, please ask them to come and collect them by Friday. Any uncollected items will be recycled/passed along.

Thank you.

Mrs Coverdale

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.



Word of the Week

Concentric

An adjective to describe

= (of circles and rings): being one inside another and having the same centre

= having a common centre

Use it:

He drew a series of concentric circles on the page.

The palace was built in concentric circles, level above level.

One of the fossils featured a round stone with concentric circles.

Pronounce it

Con - sen - trick

Origins

From the Medieval Latin 'con' (together) + 'centrum' (centre)

Next Week's Refectory Menu

The planned menu for the coming week, commencing **Monday 3rd December** is:

Monday: Chorizo and Vegetable Casserole (G), Chicken with a Mushroom and White Wine Cream Sauce, Roasted Vegetable Tomato and Goats Cheese Bake

Tuesday: Chicken and Vegetable Pie (G), Beef Bourguignon, Creamy Mushrooms on Garlic Toast (G)

Wednesday: Roast Chicken Leg, Honey and Mustard Ham, Stuffed Pepper with Olive and Coriander Cous Cous

Thursday: Lasagne (G), Braised Beef with a Stilton and Red Wine Sauce, Veggie Lasagne (G)

Friday: Squid and Prawn Risotto, Pasta Carbonara (G), Creamy Pesto Pasta (G)

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

Mr D Keal
Head Chef

MESSAGES FROM THE PTA



Please support this Beechen Cliff PTA Fundraiser

"Beechen Cliff In The Snow"



Painted early 2018 by Alex Fielding
(Current Beechen Cliff parent)

Mounted print £40 (size 50cm x 27cm with mount)

Payment via parent-pay.

Deadline for orders required before Christmas will be Thursday 6th December, for collection from the school office by the end of term.

(A copy can be seen by visiting the school office, and will be on display at parents evening and school events).

Exciting Hosting Opportunity

Do you have a spare room? We are looking for caring and welcoming Hayesfield and Beechen Cliff families to host our Chinese students for the duration of the Summer Term 2019.

Please see attached flyer for more information.

Message from Head Chef

I thought I would share with you some of the food we use in the refectory on a daily basis and what that amounts to in a year.

Baguettes 40,000

New Potatoes 5500kg

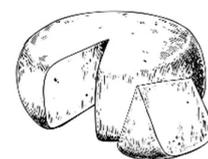
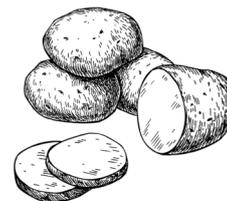
Beans 2800kg

Meat 15000kg

Pasta 1100kg

Cheese 300kg

Oats 1500kg



Mr D Keal

Head Chef

Progress Reports

Upper Sixth Progress Reports are now available to view via e-portal.

If you have any problems accessing these reports please email datarecords@beechencliff.org.uk.

Mr T D Markall

Assistant Headmaster

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 3rd December	14:15	U15a Rugby vs Colstons (a)	12:30	MBx2	17:00
Tuesday 4th December	14:30	U13a/U13b Rugby vs Sir Thomas Rich (a)	12:00	Coach (leaves at 12:15)	17:30
Wednesday 5th December	15:00	1st XV vs Hartpury @ Allianz Park	9:00	Coach - 39 seats (9:15am leave)	20:00
	14:30	U14a/U14b Rugby vs Sir Thomas Rich (h)	13:30	n/a	16:00
	16:00	KS3 Table Tennis @ St Marks	15:20	MB	18:15
Thursday 6th December	14:15	2nd XV vs Royal Wootton Bassett (a)	11:45	Coach (leaves at 12:00)	17:30
	14:30	U15a/U15b vs Sir Thomas Rich (a)	12:00	Coach (leaves at 12:00)	17:30
	14:30	U16a Rugby vs Hardenhuish (a)	12:45	MB x2	17:00
	15:00	U18 Hockey vs Warminster (a)	13:30	MB	TBC

Please note that due to inclement weather parents will be contacted via parent pay if games are cancelled.

Mr M Walker
Fixtures Co-ordinator

Sporting Results for week commencing 20th November 2018

Date	Fixture	Type	Result	Score
20 th November	U12b Football vs Stonar School	Friendly	Won	5-4
	U15 Shooting vs Dauntsey's	Friendly	Lost	See Match Report
21 st November	1 st XI Football vs Chew Valley	ESFA Round 3	Won	3-1
	1 st XV Rugby vs Bishop Burton	AASE League	Won	57-7
	U13a Rugby vs Clifton College Prep	Friendly	Lost	See Match Report
	U12a Rugby vs Clifton College Prep	Friendly	Lost	55-5
	U12b Rugby vs Clifton College Prep	Friendly	Draw	0-0
22 nd November	U15a Rugby vs Bishop Wordsworth's School	National Cup Round 3	Won	24-17
	U14a Rugby vs Bryanston	Friendly	Won	29-5
	U14b Rugby vs Bryanston	Friendly	Won	26-5
23 rd November	U15a Rugby 7's vs Writhlington	Friendly	Lost	35-14
24 th November	2nd XV Rugby vs QEH	Friendly	Won	29-11
	U15a Rugby vs QEH	Friendly	Won	24-7
	U14a Rugby vs QEH	Friendly	Won	17-10
	U13a Rugby vs QEH	Friendly	Won	25-15
	U13b Rugby vs QEH	Friendly	Won	25-15
	U12a Rugby vs QEH	Friendly	Won	20-10
	U12b Rugby vs QEH	Friendly	Lost	15-5