



BEECHEN CLIFF

5th March 2020

Message from Headmaster

Coronavirus Advisory

I understand that the issue of Coronavirus (COVID-19) is prominent in the minds of many across the country. With this in mind this newsletter includes information which might be of help to you.

School Visits

We appreciate that many parents will be concerned about School visits which are taking place in the next few months. The school is following the guidance provided by the government and will take the guidance of the Foreign Office before any visit takes place.

Family Travel

It is very likely that many of our families will be travelling over the Easter Period. We will keep you informed of the guidance we have been given related to travel but would ask you to keep an eye on Foreign Office advice prior to travel.

www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus

The school has plans in place which will be activated if a case is confirmed in school.

Within School we have placed a number of posters around the site to inform the school community. In PSHE session pupils are receiving information related to actions which should be taken. In addition to this we are using tutor and assembly sessions on Friday to pass on guidance provided by Public Health England regarding personal hygiene and handwashing routines.

Mr A Davies
Headmaster

Calendar

Monday 9th March

L6th UCAS Fair at UWE

Tuesday 10th March

Future Horizons Business and Management –15.30-16.30 in Y5

Year 8 Parents Evening 16.30-20.00

Wednesday 11th March

L6th Geography Residential Trip–11th,12th & 13th

Future Horizons Oxbridge & Medics 15.30 Recital Room

Future Horizons BT Level 7 Chartered Management Apprenticeship Talk in Y5

Tuesday 17th March

Future Horizons English Lecture with H Derioz 15.30-16.30 in Main Hall

Wednesday 18th March

Concert at St Luke's Church 19.00-21.00

Thursday 19th March

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Coronavirus Advisory

We have made contact with Public Health England and they have advised that members of the public should refer to the current information published via their website - see link below. This advice is continually reviewed and updated. Individuals should contact the NHS helpline on 111 if they have visited or travelled through any of the areas affected, or are showing any of the symptoms. The list of symptoms is also available via the website.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

Please see the advisory flyer attached to this newsletter.



Theme of the Week

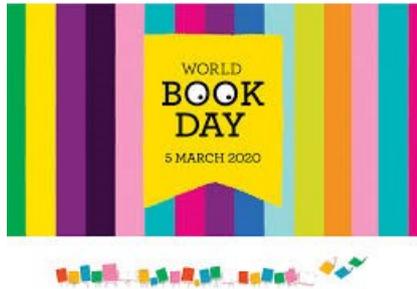
Theme of the week this week is celebrating World Book Day which falls on the 5th March this year.

Please follow the link below for more details.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/>

The theme of the day is for children of all ages to celebrate stories, and love reading.

Tutors will be having a discussion with their tutor groups about their favourite book and why.



Mrs A Wilmot
Head of PSHE

Word of the Week

LATIN: together

LATIN: 'flock'

congregate

(verb) to gather in a crowd or a mass

Synonyms: to crowd, to assemble, to gather

 se rassembler
 congregarse

Subjects:

French: On peut **se rassembler** pour apprendre le français.

RE: The Priest led the **congregation** as they made the Sign of the Cross.

Music: 184,000 people **congregated** at Maracanã Stadium to hear Paul McCartney play his World Tour in 1990.

Teen Matters:- Understanding the Teenage Brain – parent /carer evening 18th March Bath College

Parents and carers of teenagers may be interested in an evening event being hosted by Bath College on Wednesday, 18th March 6.00pm to 8.15pm.

The evening will be a chance to learn about the changes that take place in the brain as children grow into adults and how this affects their moods, behaviours, sleep and social skills. It will give you a chance to talk about some of the challenges you may experience bringing up teenagers and explore some ways to help children through this period in their life.

This event is a collaboration between the B&NES Public Health in Schools Programme and the charity Charlie Waller Memorial Trust. Entry is by ticket only but places are available free of charge.

For more information see flyer attached or to book tickets visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/teen-brain-matters-a-workshop-for-parents-and-carers-tickets-91590171669>

Miss P Netto
Mental Health Lead

Teen Brain Matters: a workshop for parents and carers

Date: **18 March 2020**

Time: **6pm - 8.15pm**

Venue: **Bath College: Performing Arts Space, Macaulay Building, James Street West, Bath BA1 1UP**

www.bathcollege.ac.uk

Are you the parent or carer of a teenager? Have you ever wondered why teenagers behave the way they do! If the answer is yes, then this free two-hour workshop is for you.

The workshop will be interactive, with lots of opportunity for discussion. It will cover:

- The main changes in the brain during the teenage years and how these affect the way teenagers, think, feel and behave
- Hormones, risky behaviour, the social brain and sleep
- The role of parents and other adults



The workshop will be presented by Dr John Coleman, who is a psychologist with an international reputation for his work on the teenage years. He has presented this workshop for local authorities and for charities across the country. His most recent book is entitled: *Why won't my teenager talk to me?* (Routledge, 2018). This is also available as an audio-book.



This workshop is free to parents and carers of teenagers living in B&NES. To book a place via Eventbrite please [click here](#)



REPORTING PUPIL ABSENCES

It is imperative that **all absences** from School, including late arrivals and medical appointments are reported to the School promptly. Please can parents and carers take note of the following correct contact details.

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 a Sixth Form student absence please contact Mrs Jones on **01225 485221** or you can email sixthattendance@beechencliff.org.uk

The Wardrobe

The Wardrobe is a new community outreach project which is run by Freedom Centre UK, a local church in Bath.

Our aim at project The Wardrobe is to provide much needed prom dresses and suits to young people.

Prom attire can be expensive, and we would like to be able to help young people who are in need, by giving them a good quality outfit, for free, for their prom night.

With prom season fast approaching, we would love to offer dresses and suits to students.

Please email the thewardrobe@freedomcentreurk.com to sign up a young person with a time to come along and try on suits or dresses if they are unable to afford one otherwise.

We have beautiful and good quality loved dresses and suits in a range of sizes and styles and have available slots in the Easter holidays for a young person to come and pick out an outfit.



Second Hand Uniform Sale Dates

The PTA would like to thank everyone for all their donations of the 'New-style' school uniforms. It has been wonderful to receive so much new stock for the on going sales! Keep them coming! We have raised a whopping **£2099.52** since September 2018 when it started! And it has all gone into the PTA funds.

The next sale date is below. Please come and have a look and buy even if its not your child's parents evening:

Tuesday 10th March 4.30–8.00pm (Year 8)

Cash or Card will be gratefully accepted.

See price list for items in previous Newsletters.

Donations of clean used uniforms can be handed into Reception, bagged up anytime or on Sale days.

Thank you from the Second Hand Uniform Team

Lesley, Jo, Amy, Geri, Jen

Menu for wc 9th March 2020

Monday: Chicken wrapped in bacon with a rosemary gravy, Beef Stroganoff (D), Mushroom Spinach and Parmesan Pasta (D,G)

Tuesday: Chicken and Sweetcorn Pie (G), Pork Steak with a Creamy peppercorn and red wine sauce (D), Cheddar and Spring Onion Quiche (G,D)

Wednesday: Roast Turkey, Peasant Casserole, Feta and Butternut Squash Filo Parcel (D,G)

Thursday: Beef Meatballs with Tomato Sauce, BBQ Chicken Drumsticks (G), Veggie Skewers with Tomato Sauce

Friday: Smoked Haddock Risotto, Chicken Tikka Wrap with Minted Yogurt (G,D), Creamy Pesto Pasta (G,D)

(G) Contains Gluten
(D) Contains Dairy

Mr D Keal
Chef

School Public Health Nurse

DROP IN SESSIONS

Every Tuesday 11am - 2pm Pastoral Meeting Room

For appointments outside this time please see Mrs Rogers or Mrs Lothgren or text your School Nurse on 07507 334357



Beechen Cliff Annual Concert 2020

The School will be presenting its Annual Music Concert on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th March 2020 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.

The Concert will commence at 7.00pm and finish at approximately 9.20pm. There will be a twenty minute interval during which refreshments will be available.

Price of admission is £2 via ParentPay. **Please Note:** this is a ticketless event and 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

An Amateur School production by arrangement with The Really Useful Group Ltd.

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1-3 APRIL 2020
7pm Tickets: £12 / £10 U18s
£1 Beechen Cliff Students

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Box Office: 01225 640046
WWW.BATHTHEATRESCHOOL.COM/TICKETS

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Homestay Families Required

Do you have a spare room?

We are looking for caring and welcoming families to host Norwegian Sixth Form students for the duration of the Autumn Term 2020.

The mixed group are looking for accommodation in Bath whilst they study at our school to experience British culture and improve their English.

The students would be hosted individually within a home from home environment, which provides daily home cooked meals and a bedroom with a study area.

We provide a generous tax-free expenses allowance of £220 per week towards providing the students with the best possible experience

If you would like an application form or to find out more information, please email international@hayesfield.com

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QUIZ AND CURRY NIGHT



The Refectory
Friday 24th April
7:00pm - 10:30pm

Tickets
£10
Available on
ParentPay



Includes the quiz and a selection of curries



There will be a bar where drinks can be purchased

Fundraising to support Sixth Form project work with Graft for Growth and Belief in Action in Romania and the Beechen Cliff PTA

Come with family and friends in teams of 6-8

PTA—Riverford Cookery Evenings for parents



Book your space now on
ParentPay!

Just £15 for a cookery workshop, delicious organic supper and a glass of wine.

Thursday 12 March 7-9pm in the Refectory.



The Club House being built over Feb half term! Despite the terrible stormy weather it went up!!

Update on the Club House

The Club House has been built over the February Half Term by Garden Affairs of Trowbridge. It is situated by the tennis courts as you enter the school grounds. It looks very special and will be a popular place to use.

The Club House should be a fabulous resource for the school for both sporting and social occasions and is being built using funds raised from the school community's amazing support of the PTA's Auction of Promises last year.

We are hoping for some hands, literally on deck, over the next few weeks during March to help paint the cabin so if you are interested in getting involved we would love to hear from you.



Annie, Lesley, Marina and Amy.
anniemeharg@hotmail.com



The cosy interior will be a great shelter for parents at those cold winter rugby games!

SPORTS FIXTURES—Week commencing 9th March 2020

Details correct at time of publication. Please refer to Beechen Cliff Sports website for any updates

Day	Fixture	Meet	Transport	Start	Finish/Return
Monday 9th	1 st /2 nd Netball vs Wellsway (a)	14:15	MB x3	15:15	17:00
	U13b/U12b Hockey vs Wellsway (a)	14:15		15:15	17:00
	Sports Leaders @ Odd Down (12pm - 4pm)	11:30	9 seater	12:00	16:15
Tuesday 10th	u12b/u13b Football vs St Gregs (h)	15:10	n/a	15:30	16:45
	U14a/U15a/U16a Football vs Wellsway (a)	14:30	MB x3	15:30	17:00
	U13a Football vs Court Fields (h)	13:15	n/a	14:00	15:30
Wednesday 11th	U15a Football vs St Gregs (h)	15:10	n/a	15:45	17:00
	U12a/U13a Football vs Wellsway (h)	15:10	n/a	15:45	17:00
Thursday 12th	U15a Hockey vs Wellsway (a)	14:15	MB	15:15	17:00
	U18 Tennis @ South West Regional Finals (Exeter)	08:30	9 seater	17:00	20:00
Friday					
Saturday					
Sunday					

Sports Results

To keep up to date with Beechen Cliff's sports results, please see Beechen Cliff Sports website.

Mr M Walker Jones
 Fixtures Co-ordinator