



BEECHEN CLIFF

14th October 2021

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

At the time of writing we are looking forward to our TEDx event this evening, which has been organised entirely by our Sixth Form team. I'm sure it will be a fantastic event.

Next week the School will be acting as the venue for the administration of the planned vaccinations against Flu and Coronavirus on Monday 18th October. You will have received the link to provide consent for Flu vaccination sometime ago and this form is now closed. The letter and link for consenting to Covid vaccination was sent yesterday and will close on Friday 15th October at 8am. If you have not provided consent by that time then the vaccination can not be provided to your child.

The letter that you received from the Virgin Care Immunisation team provided information and links to request further information should you require it. Please note that the School is not collecting information regarding consent and any queries should be directed to the numbers provided within the email sent to you on Wednesday.

The School will be supporting the Nurses who are delivering the vaccinations and due to the high numbers participating there will inevitably be disruption to some classes on Monday. We are planning to limit this impact as much as possible, however this very much depends on events on the day.

The Nurses have requested that those being vaccinated attend in their short sleeved PE tops to enable an efficient process to be in place. Therefore we are asking pupils who are receiving the covid vaccination to wear PE shirts instead of school shirts. School shoes, trousers and jumpers should be worn as normal.

It is hoped that the programme will be completed on Monday, however we may be asked to schedule a second day to complete the process. The vaccinations will be completed in year group order commencing with Year 11 and moving down to younger year groups, mirroring the national programme.

Next week is the last week of this term and the last day for pupils is Thursday 21st October. During the week we are looking forward to an evening of music at our piano concert on Wednesday 20th October. Please note that Friday 22nd October is an INSET day and pupils are not expected to attend school that day. The start of Term 2 is Monday 1st November.

*T. D. Markall*

Mr T D Markall

Headteacher

## Calendar

### Saturday 16th October

Sixth Form Open Morning 9am-1pm

### Monday 18th October

Flu Vaccination in School

### Wednesday 20th October

Piano Concert at St Lukes Church

### Friday 22nd October

INSET Day

### Monday 25th–Friday 29th October

Half Term

### Monday 1st November

Start of the Christmas Term (Term 2)

### Thursday 11th November

U6th Parents Evening

### Friday 12th November

PTA School Quiz 6.30pm–10pm

### Monday 15th – 19th November

Year 11 Mock Examinations

### Wednesday 8th December

Year 11 Parents Evening

## Key Notices

### Have a Query about Immunisations?

Please contact IMMUNISATIONS (VIRGIN CARE LTD)

[vcl.immunisations@nhs.net](mailto:vcl.immunisations@nhs.net) or Tel 0300 247 0082

You can also access this via the Virgin care website with frequently asked Q&A's [Virgin Care Immunisations](#)

### Beechen Cliff Piano Concert 2021

The School will be presenting its Annual Piano Concert on Wednesday 20th October 2021 at St Luke's Church, Hatfield Road, (BA2 2BD).

The Concert will commence at 7.00pm and will include a 20 minute interval during which refreshments will be available.

Price of admission is £1.00 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. Tickets can also be purchased on the door.

Many pupils and students have already put their name forward to perform. If you would like your son/daughter to participate please email [music@beechencliff.org.uk](mailto:music@beechencliff.org.uk)

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

Mr P E Calvert  
Head of Music

### Menu for w/c 18th October

**Monday:** Pork Tagine, Mixed bean Chilli

**Tuesday:** Beef and Vegetable Casserole, Spaghetti Squash Tomato spinach and feta bake (D)

**Wednesday:** Roast Chicken in Bacon, Beetroot and Goats cheese Risotto (D)

**Thursday:** TBC

Mr D Keal  
Chef

(G) = Contains Gluten  
(D) = Contains Dairy

### REPORTING PUPIL ABSENCES

It is important that **all absences** from School, including late arrivals and medical appointments should be reported to School promptly. **Parents and carers please take note of the following correct contact details.**

#### Lower School Pupils

To report a Lower School absence please call the School direct on 01225 480466, and select **Option 1** or you can email the lower school attendance [attendance@beechencliff.org.uk](mailto:attendance@beechencliff.org.uk).

#### Sixth Form Students

For a Sixth Form student absence please call the School direct on 01225 480466 and select **Option 2** or you can email 6th Form attendance [sixthattendance@beechencliff.org.uk](mailto:sixthattendance@beechencliff.org.uk)

**PTA School Quiz**

**Friday 12th Nov 2021**  
Refectory Beechen Cliff  
**7pm prompt start-10pm**  
Please arrive by 6.30pm!

**QUIZ.CURRY.BAR.RAFFLE**

**Come and support your school, fire up your brain cells and have a laugh with your friends or other Beechen parents.**

**Teams of up to 8 people**  
**£10pp for quiz and curry.**

**Payment by CARD at BAR**

**Book via ParentPay**

The PTA would like to extend a warm welcome to all new year 7 families and can help coordinate tables for any newcomers to the 'fun raising' quiz event.

**Raffle prize donations are welcome**

Any queries please contact: [Lyndseyjhenderson@gmail.com](mailto:Lyndseyjhenderson@gmail.com)

## Message from Deputy Head

We have been recognising Black History Month this week through assemblies and tutor time, focusing on stories celebrating Black role models, contemporary and historical. In Character sessions, tutors discussed courage as a virtue possessed by individuals who have challenged inequality and brought about change for the better. Role models such as Rosa Parks, Luvvie Ajayi Jones and Harriet Tubman have been drawn upon to exemplify this to pupils and encourage them to think about the difference they can make to society.

In the Headteacher assembly, the story of Betty Campbell, Wales' first ever Black headteacher, was told. Betty was recognized at the end of September with a bronze statue in Cardiff having worked tirelessly to improve the lives of many people in Wales and championed diversity and equality. The statue is the first named and non-fictionalised monument of a woman in an outdoor public space in Wales and resulted from a campaign by the Monumental Welsh Women's group, with Betty Campbell topping a public vote.

Heads of House shared stories in their assemblies too; of Bo Jackson, Michelle Obama and Michael Jordan, whilst Ms Milland spoke about her Black mother-in-law who was an inspirational role model to her (and the pupils by the end of the assembly!) These are just a few of the superb role models who we can use to celebrate this important month and help all our pupils engage with themes of equality and diversity.

Next week, we will be taking part in the annual, national 'Show Racism the Red Card' campaign. The campaign is an anti-racism educational charity which aims to combat racism through enabling role models, who are predominately (but not exclusively) footballers, to present an anti-racist message to young people and others. Accordingly, we invite all pupils, students and staff to wear red clothing to school on THURSDAY 21st of October. We will be collecting donations for Show Racism the Red Card to show our continued support of all the fantastic work that they do. Suggested donation £1.

Mr J Oldham  
Deputy Head Pastoral and Designated Safeguarding Lead



## Beechen Cliff Sixth Form Open Morning Saturday 16th October 2021

Beechen Cliff Sixth Form Open Morning in this coming Saturday, 16th October. Please find information here regarding the schedule for the day.

Please note that there are parking restrictions in Alexandra Park which is limited to 4 hours and local streets are for permit-holders only.

There will be some parking available on the lower field (Greenway Lane). We encourage the use of public transport where possible.

We look forward to welcoming you all.

9.00 - 9.30am	Students and parents are welcome to arrive from 9.00am Refreshments will be available in the Refectory for all visitors from 9.00 - 10.30am	
	<b>External Students</b>	<b>Internal Students</b>
9.30 - 10.00am	Welcome talk in the Sports Hall with the Head of Sixth Form	Students and parents familiarise themselves with the school site
10.00 - 10.30am	Students and parents familiarise themselves with the school site	Welcome talk in the Sports Hall with the Head of Sixth Form
10.40 - 11.00am	Subject Talks - Session 1	
11.10 - 11.30am	Subject Talks - Session 2	
11.40 - 12.00pm	Subject Talks - Session 3	
12.10 - 12.30pm	Subject Talks - Session 4	
12.30 - 1.00pm	Sixth Form Staff available to answer questions in the Sixth Form Centre	

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## Second Hand Uniform **SALE**

at

Beechen Cliff School  
Club House

on

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October  
10am - 12pm

**Payments to be made  
by card preferably!**

We are also selling  
Revision Guides and text books!

**Bring up your uniform donations....**

## SPARE WELLINGTON BOOTS

If anyone has any unwanted Wellington boots (all sizes), that they would be willing to donate to the school for Extracurricular Activities we would be most grateful.

Please leave at reception for the attention of Learning Support/PP.

Kind regards

Learning Support Team



## SPORTS FIXTURES

Please find here the details of next week's fixtures, correct at the time of publication.

However please refer to the School Sports Fixtures at <http://www.schoolssports.com/school/default.asp?id=374> for the most up to date information.

Day	Fixture	Start time/kick off	Meet time	Transport	Finish/ Return time
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 10 House Rugby	P3 - 11:20-12:20			
	Year 9 House Rugby	P5 - 2:15-3:15			
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> October	U13b rugby v Writhlington (h)	16:00	15:30	n/a	
	U15a football v St Bede's (a)	14:30	12:45	MB	
	Year 8 House Rugby	P4 - 1:10-2:10			
	Year 10 House Rugby	P5 - 2:15-3:15			
Weds 20 <sup>th</sup> October	1st XV rugby v Bishop Wandsworth (h)	14:30	13:00	n/a	
	Year 8 House Rugby	P2 -			
	Year 9 House Rugby	P3 - 11:20-12:20			
	Year 11 House Rugby	P5 - 2:15-3:15			

## Extra-curricular Activities

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## YOUR DAY IN COURT?

Mrs Smart is recruiting a maximum of 15 people to recreate two trials in competition against other schools in Crown Court.

Barristers, witnesses, defendants, jurors, court clerk, court reporter and court artist needed!

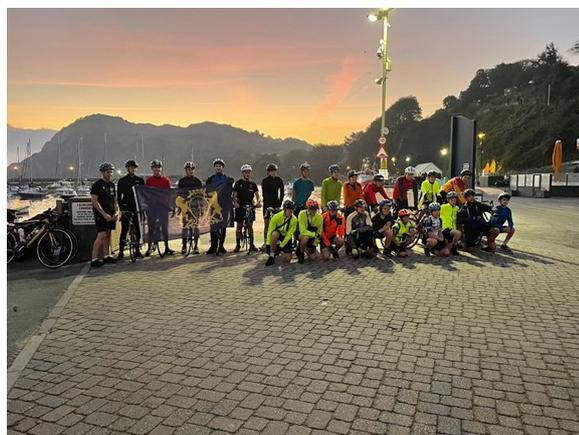
Meeting on Thursday 14th October in E5 at 12.45pm to find out more or email [csmart@beechencliff.org.uk](mailto:csmart@beechencliff.org.uk) if interested.



## Coast to Coast

Huge congratulations to pupils and staff who took part in the Coast to Coast challenge last weekend, raising money for the Charity Boys in Mind.

Well Done



## Mental Health and Wellbeing



**“An exciting ‘ Solution Focused’ Training opportunity for all Parents and Carers  
on 4th December 2021”**

*‘Time to Talk’. Grab a coffee and join us in this online Open Space especially for Beechen Cliff Parents and Carers - Learn about our whole school Solution Focused approach.*

At Beechen Cliff, it is our hope to work collaboratively across our school community to continue to build on creating a supportive environment for all. And that very much includes you, our parents and carers. Before lockdown, we held 3 successful Parents’ Coffee Mornings and due to the incredible feedback we received that year, we are delighted to offer more this year.

We are delighted that Tara Gretton and Susie Ingram have agreed to host a webinar next term for new parents and carers. This is a ‘coffee morning’, where we hope to share with you our vision for the mental wellbeing support at Beechen Cliff. This will be a beginners level webinar. Further webinars throughout the year will be held for anyone who has attended this beginners session.

We have chosen to host this FREE webinar on Saturday 4th December 2021 10.30am-12:00pm in the hope that at least one parent will be able to attend.

During the ‘Time to Talk’ webinar, we would like to share more information about the Solution Focused Approach. As well, we would like to give you all time in break out rooms to talk about your recent experiences of parenting and what your hopes are for the future.

Pop the date in your diary and we will send out details of how to sign up next week.

As always, if your child is expressing any concerns about their mental wellbeing, please make sure that you let their tutor know so that we can offer support at this early stage to prevent things building up.

Best Wishes

The Mental Health Team

# Final Call For Autumn Career Experiences

Ages 12-18 | At UCL & around UK

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This is the final call for students wanting to register for this term's weekend career experiences for ages 12-18. We have been inundated with demand following our return to in-person programmes at UCL and beyond.

**Registration will close next Sunday 24th October for all in-person programmes, so interested students should register immediately.**

**MEDICAL SCIENCES**

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Boys U12's— U14s  
Girls U13, U15s

Club House Open from 6.30

**Sunday's 10 – 11am**

Mixed Girls and boys minis (Aged 4 to 11 years);  
Junior boys U12's— U 14's

Matches held Sunday mornings

**Girls Matches—also on Sundays (normally pm)**

Club House Open on Sundays for food and refreshments



**Never played before—just come along to see if you like it before you join the club**

Any Questions?  
Call Mark 07799338405

Combe Down Rugby Club,  
Bramble Way, North Road,  
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