

## Summer 2022

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers.

In some ways it is hard to believe we have got to the end of another academic year. On one hand it seems to have gone so fast. On the other hand, with weariness growing amongst both pupils and staff at the end of a long and busy term, particularly in the recent high temperatures, perhaps it is a good thing the end of the year is upon us and it is now time for a break.

I would like to thank all of you for your support over the last year as without it so much that we achieve as a school would not be possible. I would also like to pay tribute to our staff. Their commitment to providing the best possible education for our pupils is really incredible. Reading through this summer newsletter demonstrates the huge array of opportunities they provide. I truly believe that we achieve the best possible outcomes for our children when we work in partnership - parents, pupils and staff - and we look forward to continuing to work with you in the year ahead.

The last few days have been somewhat of a challenge with the heatwave and I know that some will have been disappointed with some of the changes we had to make to the first part of activities week. That said, there has been a nice atmosphere in school and on the trips that have been able to go ahead this week and therefore a positive end to the academic year.

At this time of year we do, however, have to say farewell to departing colleagues:

Mr Dorey, Mr Mathias, Mrs Mathias, Mrs Scott, Mr Bower, Mr Barros, Ms Taylor, Mr Cooper, Dr Wilkinson, Mr Smith, Mr Anstey, Mrs Nourse and Mrs de Glanville.

They have all contributed significantly to the education and success of our pupils, some over the last year and some over the last 30 years. It is really sad to see them go but we wish them well for the future and I would like to extend a big thank you for all they have given to Beechen Cliff.

We have a number of new colleagues joining us in September and I look forward to introducing them in due course. I would, however, like to take this opportunity to introduce our new Pastoral Deputy Headteacher, Mr Ambrose. He has written a letter of introduction, which has been sent out separately with this newsletter.

In August Year 11and Upper Sixth students will be receiving their GCSE and A Level examination results. Mrs Davison has provided information on collecting results later in the newsletter and we look forward to celebrating with the students later in the Summer.

In September we have a staggered return to school with Year 7, Year 10 and Lower 6th starting back on Monday 5th September and all other year groups returning on Tuesday 6th September. Start of Term arrangements will be published on our website in due course and I will also be writing to you all to confirm arrangements towards the end of August.

In the meantime I wish you all a very enjoyable summer break.

Tim Markall

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Headteacher

## **End of Year Reports**

Dear Parents and Carers

The end of year reports for Years 7, 8 and 9 and 10 are available to view in INSIGHT using the link below.

https://insight.beechencliff.org.uk/INSIGHT

If you have difficulty logging in, please click the "don't know your password" link.

Kind regards

Andrew Seal

Deputy Headteacher

## REPORTING PUPIL ABSENCES

It is important that <u>all absences</u> 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 at <a href="mailto:attendance@beechencliff.org.uk">attendance@beechencliff.org.uk</a>.

#### 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 at

sixthattendance@beechencliff.org.uk

## Calendar

## Thursday 21st July

Summer Term ends at 12.20pm

## **Thursday 18th August**

A Level Results

## **Thursday 25th August**

**GCSE** Results

### **Thursday 1st September**

**INSET DAY** 

### Friday 2nd September

**INSET DAY** 

## **Monday 5th September**

Autumn Term commences for Year 7, Lower 6th and Year 10

## **Tuesday 6th September**

Autumn Term Commences for Years 8,9 11 Upper 6th.

## **Tuesday 13th September**

Open Evening for Prospective Year 7 pupils and Parents

## Thursday 22nd September

Open Morning for prospective Year 7 Pupils and their parents (9-11.30am)

### Saturday 15th October

Sixth Form open Morning (9am-1pm)



## **Centurion Challenge Correction:**



In the last edition of the newsletter an error was made in listing the top three finishers in the Centurion Challenge. Leo was joint second along with Kiaran.

Apologies Leo and congratulations on your success.





## **Examination Results - August 2022**

Results from public examinations will be available for collection in the Main School Hall at the following times:

#### A level

Upper Sixth (A Level results) – **Thursday 18th August 2022** from 8:30am-10am in the Main School Hall. The Sixth Form team will be on hand to help with queries and advice about next steps until 12noon.

All results for students in the Lower Sixth will be emailed to students' school email addresses.

#### **GCSE**

GCSE results (Year 11) – **Thursday 25th August 2022** from 9:30am in main School Hall All other results for students in lower years will be emailed to students' school email addresses.

## Results via email/post

If you wish to receive results by mail these can be posted to you at the end of Results Day. Please send a LARGE **stamped**, self-addressed envelope by 16th August. Please mark clearly in the top left hand corner with the student's name and year group.

If a student wishes to receive their results by email this must be pre-arranged with the Exams Office, and can only be sent directly to the student due to Data Protection laws. Please email <a href="mailto:exams@beechencliff.org.uk">exams@beechencliff.org.uk</a> before 16th August showing SURNAME plus GCSE (OR A Level) in the subject line. If a student wishes a parent to collect results on their behalf the student must send a letter/email on Results Day stating the name of the person collecting and this person must bring photo ID on the day.

## **Enquiries following Results Day**

The Examinations Officer will be available, via email, to help with urgent enquiries about results between Friday 19th August and Friday 26th August 2022 then again from Tuesday 30th August until Friday 2nd September. Please email for guidance, in the first instance, to <a href="mailto:exams@beechencliff.org.uk">exams@beechencliff.org.uk</a>. The deadline for enquiries about results such as review of marking is September 28th 2022.

#### **RESITS**

There are no RESITs scheduled for A Levels until June 2023.

November GCSE resits for English Language and Maths will be available.

Please email exams as above to express an interest by September 18th 2022. All payments must be made in advance by Parentpay.

Kate Davison
Examination Officer

## **Pupil Equipment**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We need all pupils to be equipped for school. The summer holidays is a good opportunity to 'top-up' when required.

Please could we ask for your cooperation in ensuring that your child has the following equipment in their school bag every day in September.

Every pupil is required to have a pencil case that contains the following items:

Ink pen and cartridges or roller ball pen (blue or black)

Biro pen (spare)

Purple Biro pen

Green Biro pen

Pencils and coloured pencils

Pencil sharpener and eraser

Ruler (15cm/6in)

Highlighters

Glue stick

Scientific Calculator (our recommendation is CASIO FX-83GTX & FX-85GTX)

Compass and protractor

Pupils <u>do not</u> require scissors – these will be provided by teachers when required.

All of this equipment is available to buy in the school library using cash if required. Pupils who arrive in lessons without the necessary equipment will have this logged on PARS, and multiple lack of equipment logs will lead to sanctions. You may also be contacted by your child's teacher(s) if they arrive in lessons without the required equipment. If your child is Pupil Premium, please let Mr Barros know if they require any further equipment by emailing: <a href="mailto:rbarros@beechencliff.org.uk">rbarros@beechencliff.org.uk</a>.

We appreciate your support in ensuring that your child is well equipped for the school day.

Yours faithfully,

Sophie Sullivan

Assistant Headteacher, Teaching and Learning

## **Beechen Cliff Summer Food Newsletter**

A Summer edition of Food and Technology's Food Newsletter is published alongside this newsletter, which is full of mouth-watering recipes and ideas.

Food Technology Team



## Keeping safe in the sun

Here are a few tips from the NHS on how to keep safe in the sun:



#### Make sure you:

- spend time in the shade between 11am and 3pm
- make sure you never burn
- · cover up with suitable clothing and sunglasses
- use at least factor 30 sunscreen remember to bring some to school and on trips
- Keep hydrated bring an extra drink in your bag
- If you feel as if you're overheating especially during lunchtime stop all activity, move to a cooler place and have a drink

Take care and enjoy your summer break.

Clive Hall

Head of Kipling and Deputy DSL

# The PTA would like to say a BIG thank you!

Thank you to all the fantastic volunteer mums; Geri, Jo, Ali, Kate and Fiona who ran the uniform sale on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022 with me and to all parents that have donated their uniforms and text books for all the sales.

We raised a fantastic £987 on Saturday!! It was a great amount that will go straight back into the school.

If any parents would like to volunteer to help with future sales or the PTA in general, you are always welcome! Please get in touch with me on the email below. The next sale will be in the autumn term at the Club House.

Thank you again for keeping uniform supplies coming in, we are very grateful. To date we have raised approxiamately: £10,389 to go towards school.

Any enquiries about Second Hand Uniform please contact: Lesley Leming: <a href="mailto:secondhanduniformbc@gmail.com">secondhanduniformbc@gmail.com</a>

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

Marina and Lesley, current Co-Chairs of the PTA at Beechen Cliff, are standing down at the next AGM in November 2022. We encourage you as parents/carers to consider taking over this role and joining a team of other volunteer parents who are helping to run the school charity. It has been a fun 3 years for us and has been great to be involved with the many varied projects at the school.

Please express your interest in the post/posts to:

## secondhanduniformbc@gmail.com.

It would be lovely to carry on these good works that go on at the school. Hopefully the PTA can be kept going and be carried forward.

## IT and Computer Science Rewards

Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated by their IT and computing teachers for the effort that they have put into their work in IT and computer science lessons this year.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Adam P (KP7b)	Nicholas G (BY8b)	Daniel B (SH9a)	Toby M (BY10a)
Harry T (SH7b)	Sam J (BY8a)	Liam R (BY9a)	Seth W (ML10a)
Ralph T (ML7b)	Kalib P (ML8b)	Arbel R (KP9a)	

Each boy will receive a BBC micro:bit starter kit, which includes a small pocket-sized computer that they can use to improve their programming skills.

Have a look at the micro:bit website for more information and to have a go yourself - <a href="https://microbit.org/">https://microbit.org/</a>

Lisa Jarvis

Head of IT and Computing



## Congratulations Dylan! - Bronze Medalist

Congratulations to Dylan who won a bronze medal in the Boys 1500m Steeplechase when representing England in the SIAB Schools' Home Countries International in Belfast on Saturday. This is another fantastic achievement following his Silver medal in the Boys 1500m Steeplechase at the English Schools' Championships in Manchester last week. He has also been selected to compete at the Schools' Games National Finals at Loughborough on 1st to 4th September.

Well done and wishing you all the best for your next event.

Tim Markall Headteacher





## **School contacts**

Contact details for senior members of staff are available on the contact page of the school website.

https://www.beechencliff.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/website-contact-Nov-21.pdf

If you wish to get in touch or have a concern please contact the relevant member of staff or your son's tutor. Alternatively please email <a href="mailto:headteacher@beechencliff.org.uk">headteacher@beechencliff.org.uk</a> and the message will be passed on to the appropriate person to respond.

## **Musical Theatre at Beechen Cliff**





Following the great success of Little Shop of Horrors earlier in the year, which saw around 1000 audience members enjoy the school's return to the stage following the pandemic, exciting developments will further advance the opportunity to perform at the school.

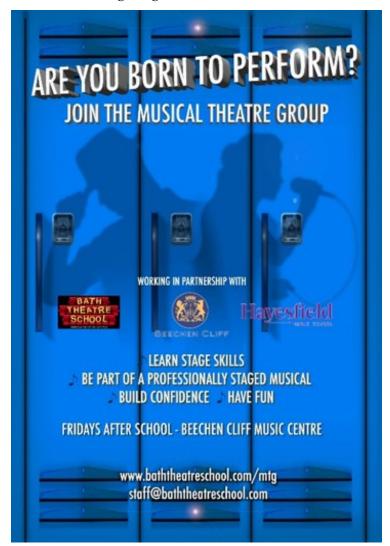
As we move to the new academic year, we will be building on the award-winning partnership with Bath Theatre School by formally welcoming Hayesfield Girls School to jointly stage Oklahoma at the Hayesfield Roper Theatre, 27-31 March 2023.

The programme of preparing for this production will begin in September with weekly extra-curricular lessons and students will get the opportunity to work on the three core disciplines of drama, singing and dance with the show featuring a professionally hired set, costumes, lighting and sound.

Lessons will also develop a range of life skills with confidence building and self-awareness, whilst also supporting public speaking, teamwork, communication, resilience, interpersonal skills, creativity and imagination.

No previous experience is necessary and there is no cost to come along, unless you decide to take part in the show, where a small performance fee of £40 will apply which will go towards make up and costumes (Financial support will be available for those eligible for the Pupil Premium). If you are interested in finding out more you can sign up here: <a href="www.baththeatreschool.com/mtg">www.baththeatreschool.com/mtg</a>, with lessons held on Fridays 3.30-5.30pm at the Music Centre at Beechen Cliff School beginning in September.

The production team will also be searching for budding musicians to form the orchestra with rehearsals taking place roughly 3 months prior to the production, with rehearsals taking place at Hayesfield school.



The production will also need a sizeable Production Team to assist with a variety of tasks, including lighting, sound, costumes, props, back stage, scenery construction, front of house, publicity and much more.

If you are interested in being part of the orchestra or one of these important off-stage roles then please contact Miss Moorhead

(<a href="mailto:cmoorhead@beechencliff.org.uk">cmoorhead@beechencliff.org.uk</a>) and the production manager, Tom Bright (<a href="mailto:staff@baththeatreschool.com">staff@baththeatreschool.com</a>).

This is an exciting opportunity to work with Bath

Theatre School for a fifth year and also to work collaboratively with Hayesfield on staging a production.





## **Music Department Report**

It has been an exciting, busy and productive term for the music department.

Throughout term 5, nine lower school pupils: Ned G, Thomas S, Nathan M, Mason CW, Arthur B Edward R, Nandi P, Hugo D, Spencer HW were involved in workshops and rehearsals for a project involving all secondary schools across the city. This culminated in the pupils composing, rehearsing and performing 4 songs which were performed as part of the opening night of the Bath festival on Friday 13th May at St Swithin's Church. The following week, they sang 2 of the songs at The Forum with a full size symphony orchestra which was a new and exciting experience for all concerned. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed the whole process and we have been made aware that similar projects are being planned for next year.

During the first two weeks of term 6 Mrs Nourse and I had the hard task of auditioning all pupils who had entered the 'Young Musician house competition'. There was a wide range of talent on display and it was



hard to select a group of finalists. Eventually 21 pupils were selected to perform in the final. Unfortunately due to some clashes and covid related illness, only 14 pupils were able to participate on the day, nevertheless the competition went ahead as outlined below:

YEAR 7				
Dan M (Byron 7b)	Piano			
Alfie M (Shakespeare 7b)	Piano			
Ollie B (Milton 7a)	Clarinet			
Albie F (Byron 7a)	Flute			
Isaac B (Kipling 7a)	Drum Kit			
Nick E (Shakespeare 7b)	Trombone			
Yarden R (Kipling 7b)	Voice and Piano			
Harry T (Shakespeare 7b)	Violin			
Alexander W (Shakespeare 7a)	Guitar			
Year 8				
Ted D (Byron 8b)	Trumpet			
Izaak F (Shakespeare 8a)	Clarinet			
	Year 9			
Barnaby D (Byron 9a)	Drum Kit			
Wilson Y (Kipling 9b)	Piano			
Arbel R (Kipling 9a)	Cello			
Year 10				
Rory G (Shakespeare 10b)	Guitar			
Arthur F (Byron 10a)	Piano			

This year the final was a celebration and showcase of music and no individual winners were announced. Instead each performance was considered and contributed to the 'house' performance.

The final was held in the Recital room on Tuesday 12th July in front of an invited audience of staff, parents and pupils. Special thanks must go to Mr S Thompson, a Bath Spa music graduate specialising in jazz guitar for his insightful adjudication. After some tough deliberation **Kipling** were crowned as the overall house winners. Congratulations to all those who took part in what was a successful return after a 3 year absence.



## **Exam Success**

Congratulations to the following pupils:

Rory G and Alex S (year 10) achieving grade V classical guitar with merit.

Ben W (year 10) achieving grade V classical guitar with distinction.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the music staff (both curriculum and instrumental) for their hard work throughout the year, both in class work and in extra curricular opportunities. I would also like to formally congratulate Isaac Elliot and Fin Richards who have been appointed as Senior musician and Deputy senior musician respectively for the next academic year. We look forward to a productive and successful year both in and out of the classroom.

Finally, we say farewell to Mrs Nourse who is retiring at the end of this academic year. I have had the pleasure of working alongside Mrs Nourse for the last 18 years. Her energy, superb musicianship, commitment to the school and overall bubbly personality have ensured that the music department has continued to go from strength to strength and there has never been a dull day in the department! As well as inspiring and instilling a love of music in the thousands of pupils she has taught, she has been responsible for GCSE and A-level composition throughout her time here. Her work in this field has been outstanding and I cannot think of any other music teacher who comes even close in achieving such a consistently high standard. Her success in this area can be measured through the pathways that sixth form music students specialising in composition have taken. These include places at Oxford, Cambridge and a scholarship to the Royal college of music. In extra curricular music she has helped develop the annual piano concert into the established successful event it has now become at St Luke's. She also created and developed a string and folk group which have performed in the annual concert, school assemblies and outside of school.

For many though, it will be her directing of the choir at the annual carol service in Bath Abbey that most people will remember her for. Her unique ability to rehearse a choir and consistently deliver a beautiful and meaningful service, which often leaves the hair on the back of ones neck standing, has for a lot of people been a true highlight of the school year.

For me it is the end of an era within the music department and I wish Mrs Nourse all the very best on her well deserved retirement. I look forward to hearing all about her adventures and the undoubted mischief she will cause in her future plans!

Paul Calvert

Head of Music

## **Montpellier Trip 2022**

Beechen Cliff and Hayesfield School have recently returned from Montpellier with year 10 and year 12 students on a study placement with Langues Sans Frontieres. Year 12 stayed with host families organised by LSF and year 10 students stayed in accommodation with staff from both schools. The students enjoyed French language classes in the morning with activities in the afternoons. The Handball taster session with the coach of Montpellier handball (European champions) went down a storm with the students participating in a coaching session in the stadium and getting a first hand experience of this fast and technical game. With town trails, guided walks and a boules tournament, the students from both schools forged new friendships and camaraderie under the Montpellier sun.

Huge thanks to Hayesfield School for inviting us to participate in this trip that was fully funded with a bursary from the Turing Trust. Kant Mann and Jo Merrett

## Year 8 Spain Trip 2022

35 Year 8 boys have just returned from a super 5 days in Calella, north of Barcelona. Staying in Hotel Volga with 4 star facilities and scrumptious dining, the pupils enjoyed 2 days in Barcelona taking in the sights, culture and artistic genius of — Antonio Gaudi. Visits to Parc Guell, Sagrada Familia, Barrio Gotic, the Olympic Stadium in Montjuic and the port provided the perfect backdrop for fine examples of this in Barcelona. No trip to this region is complete without a meander in the famous Boqueria market and a leisurely amble down the Rambla towards Plaza Real. Our pupils used their Spanish to order food and drinks in the bustling market and in the local shops in Calella. For many, the highlight of the trip was the visit to Aqualand and the world famous home of Barcelona FC, the Spotify Neu Camp. A tour of the stadium with Messi's 5 Golden Boot awards and 5 Champions League Trophies on display is not to be sneered at.....an impressive collection!

It was good to be back in the saddle and offering the wonderful opportunities for pupils to develop not only their independence and confidence but also to open their cultural horizons.

Mr K Mann Deputy Headteacher









## **Beechen Cliff Sports Day**

Beechen Cliff Sports day took place last Friday, 15th July. The weather was fantastic and it was a great day with everyone taking part.

## The result by year and house

#### Year 7

4th - Kipling - 232

3rd - Milton - 236

2nd - Shakespeare - 250

1st - Byron - 296

#### Year 8

4th - Byron - 206

3rd - Kipling - 282

2nd - Milton - 324

1st - Shakespeare - 342

### Year 9

4th - Shakespeare - 220

3rd - Kipling - 272

2nd - Byron - 276

1st - Milton - 350

#### Year 10

3rd - Byron & Kipling - 176

2nd - Shakespeare - 192

1st - Milton - 296

## **Year 12 Ladies**

4th - Kipling - 32

3rd - Shakespeare - 64

2nd - Milton - 86

1st - Byron - 128

#### **Year 12 Gents**

4th Shakespeare - 140

3rd - Byron - 152

2nd - Kipling - 190

1st - Milton - 200

#### Year 12 Overall

4th - Kipling - 172

3rd - Shakespeare - 204

2nd - Byron - 280

1st - Milton - 286

Gavin Hawkins Head of Physical Education





















## **Under 12 Cricket**

#### Year 7 Cricket Tour

The Year 7 cricket squad toured Devon this summer - for the 16th year. 17 boys accompanied by Mr Turner, Mr Thompson and Mr Ebdon left early on Thursday morning to travel to Exeter School. Traditionally, Exeter have always been our strongest opposition on this tour and it was no different this time. Although the game was very competitive, Exeter demonstrated to us the benefit of committed fielding, accurate bowling and, in what became the main coaching point of the tour, not getting out bowled! After a fantastic lunch laid on by our hosts, we set off again to Torquay Boys Grammar School



where we played an 8-a-side tournament on Astroturf. The format was really interesting and set the boys lots of challenges regarding scoring zones, running between the wickets, calling and close fielding. It was a very useful exercise and we took a lot of learning from it into our next games. That evening we sat on the seafront at Babbacombe and ate our fish and chips before driving off to Exeter University to move into our overnight accommodation at their halls of residence.

The boys slept well, despite the interruption of a fire drill at midnight, which saw us standing in the car park in our pyjamas. In the morning we filled our boots at the amazing all-you-can-eat breakfast bar before heading off to play the first game of Friday against QE Crediton at Shobrooke Cricket Club. Shobrooke was an amazing venue with a thatched cottage pavilion and beautiful surrounding Parkland. In a very tight encounter, it was a much improved performance from the day before with the boys taking on board all the coaching advice given by the experienced staff. In the end we scrambled to victory in the last over of the day, with Captain for the day, and birthday boy, Ollie B seeing us through to victory

We then travelled to Churston Grammar where we got absolutely battered by their year 8 team who taught us a lesson in aggressive batting. But we took those lessons with us to Shaldon CC in Teignmouth (another fantastic setting on the cliffs overlooking the estuary) and put in a very dominant performance with our own aggressive batting from Charlie D and Jack P setting an intimidating target of 150+ and then bowling them out cheaply with accurate bowling. We returned to our accommodation pleased with a day's effort but exhausted.

Overnight rain meant that our final game on Saturday morning was cancelled, but luckily we were able to book ourselves into the brand-new Exeter University cricket school and spend the morning playing a very enjoyable internal fixture of indoor cricket followed by a brief award ceremony. The aforementioned Charlie D was awarded Player of the Tour for his performances and tremendous attitude. Many thanks to Mr Thompson who umpired probably 200+ overs during the tour and



Mr Ebdon, whose experience and knowledge was invaluable, as well as his time spent teaching boys how to score in the good old fashion pencil and paper way. Already looking forward to next year's tour!

Sean Turner Cricket Tour Leader

## **U14 A Cricket Season Report**

With many injuries from the start and throughout the season a total of 19 players all got their chance in A team matches. Even though results didn't always go their way, it was good to get to the final of the area cup where they played Clifton College on The Close, their prestigious 1st team pitch. Unfortunately due to losing a couple of quick wickets they were going to struggle to chase Clifton's score, but a valiant effort nevertheless and an experience they will remember for a long time.

It was good to see players starting the season in the B team and working their way into the A team. Isaac P played the first couple of games in the B team, got his chance in the A team and became one of the main bowlers in the team after getting a hat-trick against Monkton Combe in the A team's first win of the season. This match saw the U14's chase down 130 in 17 overs with Ben C hitting an unbeaten 49 with a runner after getting injured in the first innings and Jonty M a very good 38 playing the game well and not trying to finish the match as fast as he could.

The performance of the season though was against Colstons in the semi-final of the area cup. Chasing 150, Beechen knew they were going to have to do something special to knock off the runs and get to the final. Up stepped Dexter T, smashing 50 off of just 24 balls and then converting the half century to a full century just 22 balls later! Dexter unfortunately couldn't top off his innings with a not out as he got caught on the boundary with only 4 runs left to win in the game leaving the field hitting 105 off of 50 balls and helping Beechen win the semi-final in just 16.4 overs.

The u14 A team ended the season with a record of 4 wins, 7 losses and 1 game abandoned. Where this might not look that great on paper, there was a lot of improvement from the whole squad all the way through the season and you could see a noticeable difference in the way they were playing at the end!

## **Notable Performances:**

Dexter T - 105 vs Colstons, 42 vs Kings College

Ben C - 49\* vs Monkton Combe, 41\* vs Kingswood (game abandoned after 9.3 overs)

Alex D - 4 overs 4-5 vs BGS, 4 overs 4-20 vs Millfield

Isaac P - Hat-trick vs Monkton Combe

Sol Thompson U14a Cricket Lead



## **U14B Cricket Season Report**

The U14 B team have had a very busy and successful season playing 8 games. In total 30 different boys have played for the Bs this year which is testament to the depth of talent and enthusiasm there is for the great game of cricket in year 9. Many of those boys used the opportunity to showcase their talents and earn promotion to the A team. The team was ably captained by Harry H, who led the team with great tactical awareness. Ed M kept wicket very tidily in most games and may well develop into an A team cricketer next season. The focus for team development for the season was increasing the accuracy of the bowling - creating greater threat (and fewer wides!) and becoming more aggressive in our batting. Josh Ms' massive six at Millfield was evidence that this was starting to bear fruit! Overall the team won the majority of their games, with particular highlights being the wins at KES and Monkton and also our first experience of the exciting new '100' format against Prior Park.

Player of the Season: Josh M

Sean Turner U14b Cricket



## **U15 Cricket Season Report**

The U15 Cricket team had a very positive start to the season with some strong wins against Monkton, Clevedon and QEH School in the 20 over format. With some very exciting 100 ball fixtures v Prior and KES. Throughout the season, the U15s have demonstrated some fine batting and bowling. Captain Will H and Vice Captain James E scored over 50 runs on a number of occasions, earning themselves a well deserved call up to the 1st XI cricket team. There were some very notable bowling performances from the team, with particular notice to Oliver Richards taking 3 wickets and a run out in a 10 ball set vs. Prior. The u15s have faced some very strong sides this season, but have never not enjoyed their afternoons away. I hope they all continue to play cricket in the future and hopefully many of them for the senior teams in the summer term before their exams begin.

Player of the Season: Will H

Ryan Bowett

U15a Cricket

## **U15 B Cricket Report**

The Beechen Cliff under 15 Bs have not had the most successful season. However, this hasn't stopped them from approaching every match with the optimism of a team on a winning streak. Some excellent games from the leaders and regulars among the group helped to inspire a few students, who had never played the game before, to defy expectations and perform at a competitive level. A special mention has to go to Harrison B, who went from picking up a bat for the first time to getting a promotion to the A team in the final fixture of the year. Overall, it was an enjoyable season for all and one they will surely remember.

**Player of the season:** Harrison B

Oliver Cattell

U15b Cricket

## 1st XI Cricket Report

The winter nets saw a record number of players attend so hopes were high for both the 1st and 2nd XI teams. For the first time in many years, we had consistency in team selection as the 1st XI were made

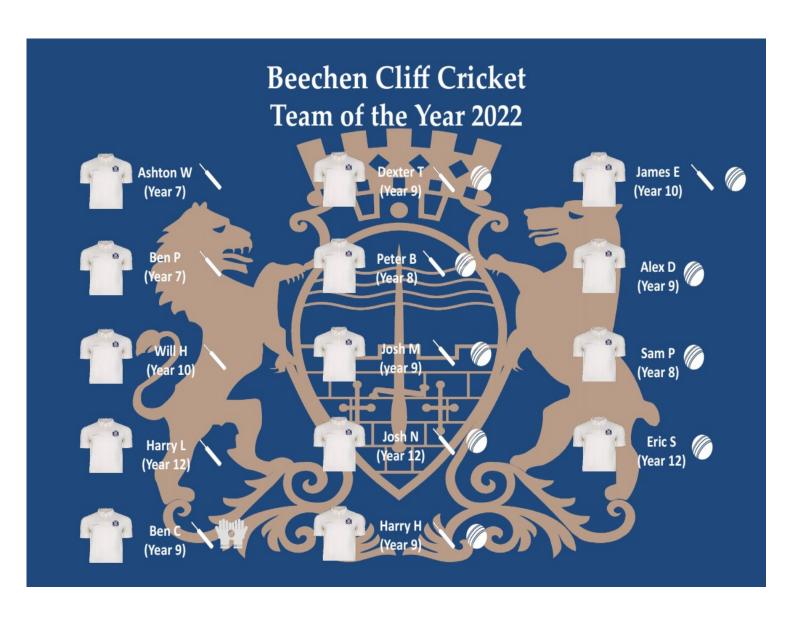
up of mainly year 12s so the exams had less impact. An early start to the season at KES in the Bath schools T20 should have resulted in a win but some poor game management meant we didn't bat our 20 overs. The other group game in the T20 competition was at Prior Park which finished in an entertaining tie although this was another game that was thrown away. Back to back games against Monkton resulted in one win and one loss, the win was in the semi-final of the T20 after we progressed through the group stage on net run rate to set up a final at Bath CC against Kingswood.



After half term, the game against Dauntseys went down to the last over with Dauntseys losing a flurry of late wickets but they managed to hold their nerve to pick up the victory. The annual fixture against Wycliffe at Bath CC saw some big scores making use of the small boundary and was followed up with the good bowling performance resulting in a very good win. This was followed up with a 35 run win over touring team Tiffin at Hinton Charterhouse.

At the time of writing there are two games remaining against Kingswood in the T20 final and the annual Old Boys game. Contributions have come from all players with the bat and ball and overall a successful season after a tough start.

Pat Macdonald 1st XI Cricket



## Beechen Cliff Tennis Report - 2022

With 36 Tennis fixtures pencilled in this year, Tennis has been a busy and successful component of what makes up the wide range of sport at Beechen Cliff.

We had 65 boys in the lower school sign themselves up to represent the school. This in turn allowed for competitive fixtures to be played against a whole host of schools from Sherbourne to Writhlington, Clifton College to Ralph Allen.

It is especially exciting to see how eager and strong our Year 7 representatives have been this year with notable performances over Colston's School and Bishops Wordsworth's school.

Road to Wimbledon saw 24 Year 9 students take part in a morning of Tennis. This internal, knockout style of Tennis gave many boys the ability to take part and provide the opportunity for the winner to progress to the next stage, which if successful, grants them to play at Wimbledon.

Above all, a trip to Wimbledon was organised for those who represented Beechen Cliff in Year 10 Tennis this

season. A day out on centre court at Wimbledon - it doesn't get

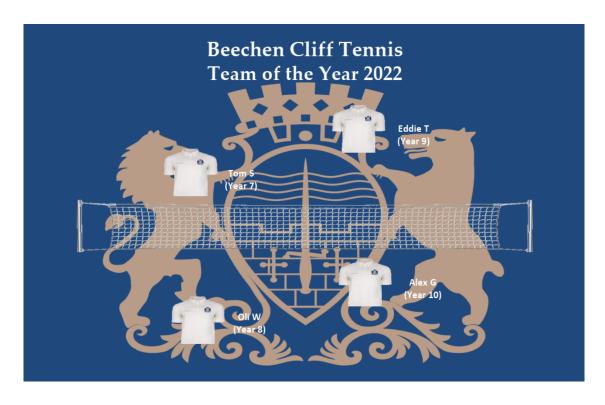
much better than that!

Jack Utton Tennis









## **Pupil Premium and Free School Meals**

If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' and you register them for this, we'll receive extra funding called 'pupil premium'. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school.

## What is Pupil Premium funding?

Pupil Premium funding from the government is given to schools to help pupils reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation. It's provided for pupils who

- Are registered for free school meals
- Have been registered for free school meals at any point in the past 6 year
- Are, or have been, in care
- Have parents in the armed forces

At Beechen Cliff School, we get an extra £955 (for secondary schools) – these figures are for the 2021/2022 financial year, for every eligible pupil who is registered for free school meals. This extra money could make a real difference to the quality of education we offer.

## What does it mean if you are Pupil Premium at Beechen Cliff School?

We reserve a proportion of the top-up received for you and your child to decide how best to spend and can be spent on any of the following:

- School uniform
- Stationery
- School locker
- Music lessons (our usual offer is to pay 50% of 20 minute lessons which means parents pay around £20 per month and the school pay the remainder but this is calculated on an individual basis so do contact the school if you are interested in this)
- Subsidy for school trips
- Duke of Edinburgh and other extracurricular opportunities
- Loan of a personal laptop
- Revision guides
- Other key equipment for school such as a camera for photography GCSE

## What is the rest of the money spent on?

The remaining money is spent on in school interventions which include:

- Literacy coordinator & reading programmes
- Additional technician support in science and technology
- Attendance support through the school's attendance officer
- Mentoring and mental health support

- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Employment and Support Allowance Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- · Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)

## Does my child have to eat the free school meals?

No. Pupils who are registered for free school meals do not have to eat them. If you are eligible but you want your child to have packed lunches you should still register because the school will receive the funding which can support your child in other ways.

## How do I register?

You only need to register once via B&NES.

## Before you apply to B&NES

You will need to supply the following information accurately and in full for us to process your application:

- Dates of birth for you, any other parent and guardian, and all of your children (we may use this information to refer you to additional benefits or support that you may be able to get)
- Contact details for you and any other parent or guardian
- Your National Insurance Number
- Your National Asylum Seeker Support Number (for applicants without a National Insurance Number)

To register, please either visit -

Apply for free school meals | Bath and North East Somerset Council

Or call B&NES on 01225 39 43 17 to make a telephone registration. You will need to supply all of the details in the 'Before you apply to B&NES' section above. If the lines are busy, please leave a message with your telephone number, and they will call you back to complete your registration.

#### More information

For more information about pupil premium go to the B&NES website, which contains details of how the pupil premium has been spent in the past academic year and how it will be spent this year.

## **Community Links**

## FOOD HELP OVER THE HOLIDAYS

The summer holidays are fast-approaching, and we are getting in touch with some information to help families within the school community should they find themselves struggling.

The leaflet copied below provides information on food support within Banes.

Many thanks,

Olivia Sladden Community, Events and Bath Foodbank Facilitator Genesis Trust Bath





## Summer Holiday Food Help

Many families need a little extra help during the school summer holidays. Below is a list of some of the projects offering support in Bath and Northeast Somerset.

#### Help through Hardship

If you are in financial crisis, please call Help through Hardship, a national helpline run by the Trussell Trust and Citizens Advice, on **0808 2082138** for free. You will talk confidentially with a trained Citizens Advice adviser, who can help address your crisis; provide support to maximise your income; assist you to navigate the benefits system; and identify any additional grants you could be entitled to. If needed, they will issue you with a voucher so you can get an emergency food parcel from your local foodbank (see below).

Open Monday to Friday 9am-5pm; closed on public holidays.

#### <u>Foodbanks</u>

There are three foodbanks covering B&NES. Please note that to access them you will need a referral. These are available from many organisations, including Help through Hardship (see above). Referrals can also be made through:

Welfare Support: 01225 477277

Citizens Advice Bureau: 0344 848 7919 or Freephone 0808 2787897

#### **Bath Foodbank**

Bath Foodbank operates a collection only service at the following locations:

Manvers Street Baptist Church, Manvers Street, Bath BA1 1JW

Mon 12:30 - 14:30 Wed 12:30 - 14:30 Fri 12:30 - 14:30

The Lighthouse Centre, Twerton, Bath BA2 1DQ

Tues 09.30 – 11.30 Thurs 09.30 – 11.30

See https://bath.foodbank.org.uk for further details.

#### Keynsham Foodbank

Collection from the following centres:

Mon 10.00 -12.00, The Key Centre, 2 Charlton Road, Keynsham, BS31 2JA Thurs 10.00 -12.00, St Francis, Warwick Road, Keynsham, BS31 2PW

Fri 10:15 - 11:45, St Mary's Hall, Saltford, BS31 3EL

See https://keynsham.foodbank.org.uk for further details.

## Somer Valley Foodbank

Collection only, with a referral voucher, from the following distribution centres:

The Salvation Army, Radstock Road, Midsomer Norton BA3 2AJ: Monday 12–2pm. St Nicholas Church Café, Church Street, Radstock BA3 3QQ: Wednesday 12–2pm. St John Methodist Church, Bath Road, Peasedown St John BA2 8DN: Friday 12–2pm. Paulton Methodist Church, Park Road, Paulton BS39 7QQ: Wednesday 11.30am–1.30pm.

See https://somervalley.foodbank.org.uk for further details.

#### **Food Clubs and Pantries**

Food clubs and pantries are a community initiative supplying low-cost, good-quality food to local residents.

## Welcome Café and Food Club

Join the Food Club and pick up what you need for £1 per box. No booking needed – just come along. Free cooked lunch (donations welcome). For more information, call 07470 262372 or email <a href="welcomecafe@allsaintsweston.org.uk">welcomecafe@allsaintsweston.org.uk</a> or visit <a href="www.westonhub.org.uk">www.westonhub.org.uk</a>.

Weston Hub, Penn Hill Road, Weston, Bath BA1 4EH

Open Monday 12-2pm.

## **Action Pantry and Clothesline**

Action Pantry is a service for families and individuals on a low income who struggle keeping up with the everyday costs of family life.

Referrals for membership need to come through a Health or Social Care professional or school.

Membership is between £3 and £5 depending on the size of the family. This covers 2–3 meat/vegetarian items, 1–2 dairy products, plus fruit and veg and plenty of store-cupboard food each week. New families are asked to fill out a form giving contact details, dietary requirements/allergies and whether they have a working fridge and freezer.

For more information, call 07874387717 or email <a href="mailto:actionpantry@mercyinaction.org.uk">actionpantry@mercyinaction.org.uk</a>.

Open Monday and Friday 1.00-3.00pm

Clothesline runs alongside Action Pantry and provides good-quality clothes and accessories for children aged 5–15 years

Currently at Jubilee Centre, Lower Bristol Road

From August our address is: 117 High Street, Twerton, BA2 1DA

#### Oasis Pantries

Please register via <a href="www.oasisbath.org/projects">www.oasisbath.org/projects</a> (select Oasis Pantry. You can choose to pay £5 a week for 10–12 chilled and store-cupboard items plus fruit and veg or £3 a week for 6–8 chilled and store-cupboard items plus fruit and veg.

Oasis Pantry, Oasis Church, Fountain Buildings, The Paragon, Bath BA1 5DU: Thursday 1.30-3.30pm.

Oasis Pantry, Roundhill Centre, 53 Mount Road, Southdown, Bath BA2 1LG: Monday 2–4pm.

**NB** While the pantries are open for most of the summer, they will be closed on Thursday 18th, Monday 22nd, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> and Monday 29th August

## Keynsham FOOD Club

Membership costs £1 a year and is open to all families (with children up to 18 years old) who live within Bath and North East Somerset. It entitles you to buy a bag of food each week, worth approximately £10–15, for £3.50. For more information, contact brightstartcc@bathnes.gov.uk.

Keynsham Children Centre, 65 West View Road, Keynsham, Bristol BS31 2UE (tel: 01225 395400):

Open every Thursday 1-3pm. You can just turn up on the day.

## Foodcycle

Free meals for all at Nexus Methodist Church, Nelson Place, Bath BA1 5DA. No questions asked, three-course meals, all vegetarian and made with surplus food stopped from going to landfill.

Every Wednesday 7.30pm, this time will change to 7pm from 27th July.

## Radstock Foodies Club

http://radstockwestfield.org.uk/radstock-foodies-club/

Radstock Foodies Club provides its members with a range of healthy food at a great price. If you are struggling to access healthy food and you live within 15 minutes travel from Radstock Community Hub and Library, you may be able to become a member. The Club runs every Friday 1.15-3.30, there is no joining fee however we ask that members attend a minimum of twice in 4 weeks to secure their place. Members can select a box of food for £3.50. Each box contains goods worth a minimum of £10-£15 and can include store cupboard items, fresh fruit and veg as well as chilled items such as meat, cheese and vegan products.

For more information please see the <u>Radstock Foodies Club Membership Form</u>, email <u>council@radstock-tc.gov.uk</u> or call

01761 437 962

If you would be interested in finding any other foodbanks or pantries in BANES which are not on this list, please look on the BANES Food Finder website: <a href="https://www.banesfoodfinder.org.uk">https://www.banesfoodfinder.org.uk</a>

## Free University Transition Webinar: 22nd August 2022

The Anna Freud Centre is offering a free webinar to all students who will be transitioning from sixth form or college to university this autumn.

Heading to university can be an exciting time for many young people, an opportunity to meet new people and explore their own independence. It can also be a difficult time, with many new experiences and changes.

This webinar will provide an overview of what to expect in this period of transition, and will share strategies for students to manage their own wellbeing when starting out at university.

Please use this link if you are interested in joining this workshop.

https://www.annafreud.org/training/training-and-conferences-overview/online-conferences-webinars-and-events/free-university-transition-webinar-for-young-people/

## **Riverford Cookery Workshop**



"This term we welcomed parents to two fun and sociable cookery workshops in the refectory. We brushed up on knife skills and made a Pakistani courgette curry, Mexican mole, salads and dips. My cookery workshops are informative and friendly, giving you ideas for teen-friendly recipes that are packed with veg — and you eat everything at the end of the evening. I'll be holding more events next year and look forward to seeing you there!"





### KIDS EAT FOR FREE OR LESS THIS SUMMER

#### KIDS EAT FOR FREE **OR LESS DURING SUMMER 2022**

#### MORRISONS

Spend £4.99 to get a free kids meal after 3pm daily, normally all day during half term.

#### ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 every day with NO need for a paying adult from 25th July - 4th Sept, 2022.

#### DUNELM

One free mini main, two snacks and Kids eat free with an adult main a drink for every £4 spent in the instore cafe.

YO! Kids eat free from 3pm-5:30pm TABLE TABLE Mon-Thurs for every £10 spent on food.

#### BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Free breakfast for two children under 16 with every paying adult.

Free kids breakfast with an adults breakfast from 9am-12pm daily.

Get TWO kids hot meals, fruit, drink and jelly for £5 in their Swedish restaurants (subject to availability).

#### **BELLA ITALIA**

Kids eat for £1 with each adult meal from 4-6pm on Mon-Thurs.

Two children under 16 get a free breakfast with one paying adult every day.

#### CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal excluding Saturday.

#### MORE TO COME!!

M&S, TESCO and more expected soon, see websites for latest information.

# Clarks

At Clarks, we understand how busy and stressful the back to school period can be. Booking an appointment to measure and fit your child's new school shoes means no long waiting times and a dedicated, trained fitter to make your visit quick and hassle free.

We can also arrange appointments at dedicated quiet times for children with additional needs.

Thank you

Laura

## **Spotters Hockey**

We have our Spotters Hockey Summer Hockey Camps running on 25th and 26th July 2022, and 18th and 19th August 2022, suitable for ages 7-15 and providing lots of fun hockey skills and game play, with specialised effective coaching provided by our qualified and experienced coaches, and booking can be made via this link for those:

#### https://form.jotform.com/210805551045346

Many thanks indeed, do get back to me if any questions!

Sally Potter

Spotters Hockey Academy Director

England Hockey Level 2 Coach

BSc(Hons)Sports Performance





## WHY NOT BOOK A SLOT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF **OUR EXPERT FITTING ADVICE?**

From their very first crawling shoes to robust and stylish school shoes or shoes for those big weekend adventures, our kids in-store fitting experts will help you find the perfect fit for their growing feet. Plus, we have a personal shopping and fitting service for adults too!

With Hundreds of Clarks stores to choose from, skip the queues and book a 15 minute measure and fit appointment at a time that suits you.

Clarks combine almost 200 years of expert shoemaking with everything they know about caring for growing feet to provide unbeatable all-day comfort. Their shoes pass up to 60 tough tests, from flexing leather 500,000 times to pulling laces to destruction. The results? The best shoes ever, keeping little feet happy all day long.



#### IN-STORE FITTING

Avoid the queues and book your in-store measure and fit appointment online now at www.clarks.co.uk

Plus, take along your child's most recent pair of Clarks shoes and they'll check if they're still a good fit.

#### **OUIET IN STORE FITTING**

Shoe shopping can be overwhelming for some children. If you think a shopping experience without crowds, noise and bright lights would be better, then book a QuietTime appointment

To book, contact Clarks Bath on 01225 462632

Sat 9.00am-6.00pm







## Bath String Academy—Summer Music course

We are delighted to announce that Bath Strings Academy is once again offering exciting musical events for our young people.

Our **Latin Music Workshop**, inspired by music from 'Encanto' & 'West Side Story' will be held as a two day event at **Wiltshire Music Centre on 3**<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> **August** 

**2022.** The workshop is open to orchestral string players from Beginners to Grade 6, aged 7 - 16 years. The cost for the two days is £80, with discounts for siblings and bursaries available on application. Further in-



formation can be found at www.bathstringsacademy.org along with a booking link.

Kind regards

Michelle Falcon & Ruth O'Shea (Co-Directors Bath Strings Academy)