

27th April 23

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the last week the languages speaking assessments and art and photography exams have been underway for many Year 11 and Upper Sixth students. These have gone really well and I hope students are pleased to have completed this aspect of their assessments and feel positive about the experience.

Our assemblies with Year 7 and 8 pupils this week have been on the theme of sustainability and what we can practically do to make a difference. We are encouraging pupils to produce posters on sustainable travel so we can create some new displays on this theme around the school.

We have managed to squeeze a large number of trips and activities into the last week. Cricket team fixtures have taken place against Prior Park, Year 9 pupils have visited the Theatre Royal to watch Romeo and Juliet, Year 10 pupils visited the Royal High School Gifted and Talented Aspire Conference and Year 11 pupils have completed their Sports Studies practical assessment Gorge Walking at Tir-y-Cwm. In addition our Lower Sixth students have had a really positive morning at the UCAS fair in Newport.

Calendar

Monday 1st May Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May Bank Holiday

Monday 15th MayWritten GCSE Exams begin

Friday 19th May U6th Awards Evening

Monday 22nd May Written A Level Exams begin

Friday 26th May Term Ends

Monday 5th June
Term 5—Summer Term begins



U12 Cricket vs Prior Park



Year 10 visit to the Royal High School

We are also preparing for the Year 9 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh practice expedition this weekend and the main Ten Tors event on Dartmoor. We wish all those involved all the very best with these outdoor pursuits.

Amongst the industrial action today revision programmes have continued for Year 11 and Upper Sixth students along with remote learning for other pupils. The same arrangement will continue next week on Tuesday 2nd May along with the other arrangements communicated in the letter to parents and carer last week. I realise this has given a slightly disjointed few days, particularly with the bank holiday as well, and thank you for your understanding. Please note that tomorrow (28th April) and Wednesday (3rd May) onwards will be normal school days for all pupils and Sixth Form students.

Wishing you a good bank holiday weekend ahead.

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Headteacher

SUMMER EXAM - FINAL TIMETABLES

Dear Parents and Carers

Please be advised that Year 11 timetables are available from your son's Tutor, remind your son to collect his timetable.

Year 12 and 13 timetables are available from the sixth form office, please encourage your son or daughter to collect their timetable.

NOTE—GCSE History papers are 2 hours and RPE, 1 hour 45mins. Please excuse the error on the timetables.

All exam information is also available on Insight.

Many thanks

Pam Newman

Exams Office

Menu for w/c 24th April 23

Tuesday: Pasta Carbonara (D,W), Vegetable

Moussaka (D,W)

Wednesday: Roast Turkey, Vegetable

Enchilada Pie (D,W)

Thursday: Jambalaya, Spicy Cauliflower and

Halloumi Rice (D)

Friday: Buffalo Chicken Wrap (W),

Coronation Quiche (W,D)

(W) = Contains Wheat Products(D) = Contains Dairy Products

Please can I politely request ask that accounts are topped up at all times to avoid disappointment.

NOTE: From 19th May—Pupils in Years 11 and 13 will need to ensure their accounts are in credit or they will be unable to purchase food and drink. Please keep a close eye on their accounts it would be much appreciated..

Dan Keal Chef

REPORTING PUPIL ABSENCES

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

X PLEASE NOTE

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 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 Sixth Form attendance at

sixthattendance@beechencliff.org.uk

PLANNED ABSENCES

For planned absences please complete an absence request form found on the school website and return it to the attendance office or to attendance@beechencliff.org.uk

School Contacts

We believe that communication between parents and carers and the School is really important. If parents or carers have a concern, query or information to pass on then please do contact us. A list of contact details for senior staff is available on the School Website and via the link below.

Contacts

Alternatively please email headteacher@beechencliff.org.uk and the message will be passed on to the appropriate person to respond.

This Week's News

Walk to School Week - 15th - 19th May

Between **Monday 15th to Friday 19th May 2023** pupils throughout Britain will be encouraged to travel sustainably to school, whether by walking, scooting, using a wheelchair or cycling. The aim is to encourage healthy exercise and reduce air pollution which is damaging children's lungs as well as the environment.

Please encourage your son/daughter to take part in this national initiative!

Activities Week Trips

Last call on these trips for Years 7-9. All links were posted in last week's Newsletter and have been sent to parents via email.

Thanks

Kant Mann Assistant Headteacher

Success for City of Bath U16 Hockey

A number of Beechen pupils represented City of Bath Hockey Club U16s this weekend in the final of the West Hockey Cup versus Truro, the match hosted at Millfield School.

20-300

Though City were always controlling the game they went into half-time with a narrow

1-0 lead. The second half saw City convert pressure and control into goals, extending that lead with victory being assured late in the game with a 3rd goal converted by Joe Heywood.

The 3-0 win wouldn't have been possible without a true team effort with players from schools across Bath with the Beechen contingent an essential part of a well drilled team.

Congratulations to Cameron H, Jonty l, Ivan G, Joe H and

Congratulations to Cameron H, Jonty l, Ivan G, Joe H an Ben W (voted by the team as 'man of the match')

Jon Heywood City of Bath Hockey



Lourdes World Cup Mountain Bike Test Event

Congratulations to Rudi E for gaining 3rd place at the Lourdes UCI World Cup MTB test event at the weekend. He was the only 1st year junior invited.

A huge achievement!



Extra-Curricular

Musical Theatre Concert: Friday 9th June. Bath Abbey

An exciting project has been launched in which all secondary schools are invited to take part in an evening of 'songs from the shows' in order to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Dorothy House. The invite is open to all pupils and sixth form students who enjoy singing (especially musical theatre repertoire) and the whole event looks set to be a fantastic experience.

The singers will be accompanied by a professional ensemble conducted by Mr M Bradbury (Director of Music, Royal High School). In addition to the massed choir singing, there will also be the opportunity for solos and duets to be performed.

Further details regarding the concert and rehearsals with other schools will be available in due course.

If your son/daughter would like to be involved in this concert would you please let me know by emailing music@beechencliff.org.uk by Tuesday 2nd May. I will then organise times in the coming weeks to start rehearsing the repertoire at school.

Mr P E Calvert

Head of Music

Raffle in Aid of Extra-Curricular Sport - Beechen Cliff School

The PE department is running a fundraiser for extra-curricular sport. All money raised will go towards coaching, sports kit and equipment for the extra-curricular program. The prizes are:-

- A signed Bath rugby shirt
- Two tickets for Bath v Saracens on 6th May
- A float & recovery session at "Results, Body + Mind" https://www.resultsbodymind.co.uk/

We are selling raffle tickets for £2.50 each on ParentPay (there is no limit on the number of tickets you can purchase). This is a ticketless raffle, you will be entered into the draw for as many tickets as you have purchased.

The raffle will close at 9am on Wednesday 3rd May and winners will be notified later that day.

Many thanks for your support

The PE Department Beechen Cliff School

Extra Curricular Clubs

For information on after school clubs, (2022/23), please see the <u>Extra Curricular page on our website</u> which is regularly updated as next clubs are announced. The listing has been updated for Terms 5 and 6.

Mr Kant Mann Assistant Headteacher

SPORTS

Fixtures for week commencing 2nd May 23 (correct at time of publication)

Day	Fixture	Start time/ kick off	Meet time	Transport	Finish/ Return time
Monday 1st May					
Tuesday 2 nd May	U14a&b cricket v KES (a)	13:30	12:45	MB	
	U13a&b cricket v KW (a)	16:00	15:00	MB	
	GCSE PE Moderation	All day			
Wednesday 3 rd May	U12a & c cricket v KES (a)	16:00	15:15	MB	
	U12b cricket v KES (h)	16:00	15:15		
	1st XI football v Millfield (Odd Down FC)	14:30	12:45	MB	
Thursday 4 th May	U14 cricket v Churchill (h-tbc)	14:00	13:00	MB	
	1st XI cricket v KES (a)	13:30	12:15	MB	
	2nd XI cricket v KW (a)	14:45	13:00	MB	
Friday 5 th May	U16 football v Heathfield (Bridgwater College)	15:15	12:45	МВ	

Sports Class on Google Classrooms/ Sports Fixtures website

Each year group now has a Sports Class on Google Classrooms where details of fixtures and notices will be given. Please encourage your son to check this regularly for information.

You can also find fixtures information and team sheets on our **Sports Fixtures website**

If your son is absent on the day of his fixture, please can we politely ask that when you contact Attendance to report the absence, you also advise the sports team sport@beechencliff.org.uk as soon as possible to enable an alternative player to be found.

WELLBEING



April is Stress Awareness Month. For young people in schools, this can be a particularly stressful time as pupils and students are preparing for public or end of year exams.

In the build up to exams, it's normal to feel stressed, anxious or overwhelmed. These feelings can be difficult to manage, but there are a few things that can help young people over this time. Please share these tips with your child if they are looking for ways to manage stress during the exam season. Have a look at the full guide below on how to cope with exam stress.



Tara Gretton
IASTI Accredited Solution Focused
Practitioner and Trainer

Susie Ingram
IASTI Accredited Solution Focused
Practitioner

Term Dates Reminder

Term Dates for 2023/2024 are listed on our website

https://www.beechencliff.org.uk/parents/term-dates/

Community Links









SPOTTERS
HOCKEY
BATH, SOMERSET

MAIN CAMP AGES 7-16 3 & 4 APRIL, 13 & 14 APRIL

PERFORMANCE CAMP AGES 12-16, DEVELOPERS AND PERFORNERS AGES 11-12, BEGINNERS, IMPROVERS AGES 7-10

BOOK HERE FOR MAIN CAMP

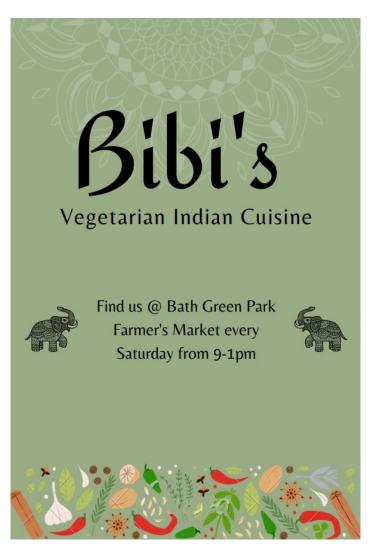
HPC AGES 14-18 5 APRIL & 12 APRIL

RECOGNISED REFERRAL ROUTE FOR EHB TA; WORK AT STRETCH, FUEL YOUR AMBITION TO PROGRESS

BOOK HERE FOR HPC

BOOK HERE FOR SUMMER PERFORMANCE ACADEMY

15 MAY - 29 JUNE YEARS 5-7 AND 8-9





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