



## BEECHEN CLIFF WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

12th March 2026

### Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has seen our Year 11 students complete their second set of mock exams and Year 13s are now underway with their mock exams too. The level of focus and commitment remains high which is very encouraging as these are such an important part of preparation for the GCSE and A Level exams in the summer.

We also have seven students performing in the prestigious Mid-Somerset Festival, pupils who have been taking part in LAMDA lessons at school, and we wish them every success and hope they enjoy the experience - good luck to Oliver, Jaxon, Will, Marcus, Jem, Ryan and Eddie.

In addition, we have seen our U14 rugby sevens team win the Orleans Park 7s competition with wins over St Edwards Oxford, Orleans Park, St Benedict's Ealing and Windsor Boys School. The team was a mix of Year 8 and 9 pupils and were a credit to the school throughout the day.

Finally, just a reminder that tickets for our School Concert at St Luke's Church on 25th March are available to purchase on Arbor and tickets to the school production of High School Musical in partnership with Hayesfield and Bath Theatre School are available to purchase on the Bath Theatre School website:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/bath-theatre-school>. Only a few tickets remain for High School Musical so don't miss out!



*T. D. Marshall*

T.D. Markall  
Headteacher

# KEY NOTICES

\*\*\* Updated Information below \*\*\*

## Reporting all Absences

All absences from School including late arrivals and medical appointments are to be reported to School promptly. Please take note of the following contact details.

### Lower School Pupils

To report a Lower School absence please call the Main School direct on 01225 480466 (**OPTION 1**) OR email the lower school attendance at [attendance@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk](mailto:attendance@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk)

### Sixth Form Students

For a Sixth Form student absence please call the School direct on 01225480466 (**OPTION 2**) OR you can email Sixth Form attendance at: [sixthattendance@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk](mailto:sixthattendance@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk)

## PLANNED ABSENCES

For planned absences please contact the attendance office [attendance@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk](mailto:attendance@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk) for a copy of the 'absence request form' which can also be found on the school website: [MNSP Absence Request Form.](#)

## Dates for the Diary

### Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March

PTA pre-loved Uniform and DoFE kit sale

### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March

School Concert at St Lukes 7-9pm

### Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

PTA Race Night

### 30 March -2 April

Bath Theatre School production of High School Musical

### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Last day of Term

### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April

Start of Term 5

### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Year 12 Parents Evening (in person) 4.30-8pm

### Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April

Year 8 Parents Evening (Remote) 4.40-8pm

## Menu - w/c 16<sup>th</sup> March

**Monday:** Pasta Carbonara (W,D,GF), Sundried Tomato and Parmesan Risotto (D)

**Tuesday:** Pork Goulash, Sweet and Sour Vegetables

**Wednesday:** Roast Chicken, Spanish Tortilla (D)

**Thursday:** Hunters Chicken, Creamy Mushroom and Thyme Pancake (W,D)

**Friday:** Thai Fish Cake (W), Creamy Pasta and Spring Vegetable Pasta (W,GF)

Can I please ask that all accounts are topped up at all times to avoid disappointment

Mr D Keal  
Chef

(W) = Contains Wheat Products  
(D) = Contains Dairy Products  
(GF) = Gluten Free Option

# EXAMINATIONS

Here is a link to the timetable for the Summer Externally scheduled Exams.

## [Externally scheduled Summer Examinations Timetable](#)

Occasionally, students can have more than one exam scheduled for the same time. This is an exam clash and it will be resolved when your child receives their individual timetable later.

## **Year 13 Formal Mock Examination Timetable**

Here is a link to the Year 13 Formal Mock Examination Timetable.

## [Year 13 Formal Mock Examination Timetable](#)

Mrs J Cotterell  
Examinations Officer



BCSPTA Presents

# RACE NIGHT

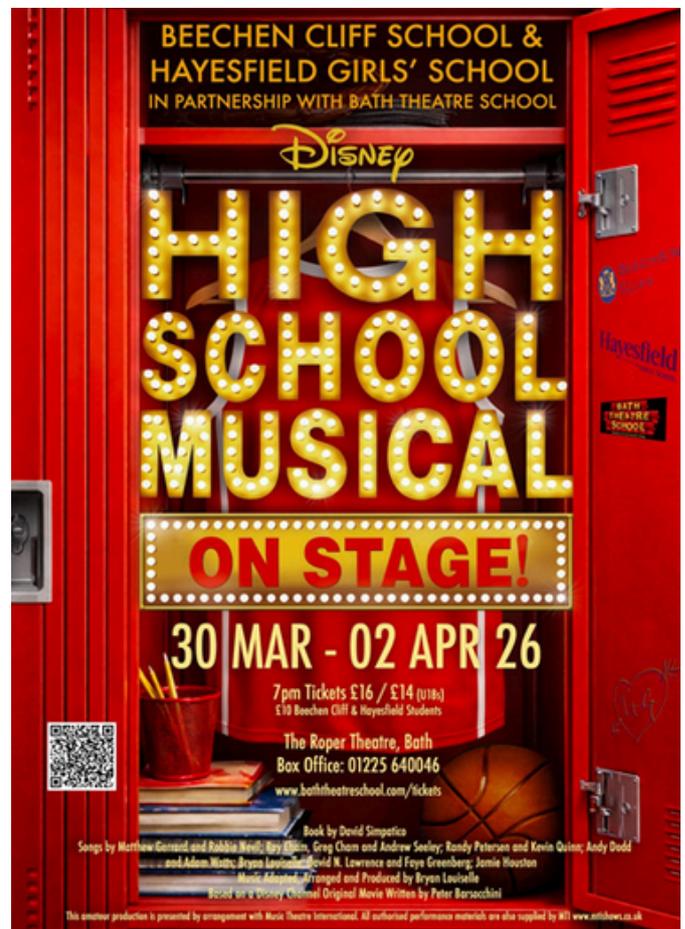
27/03/2026 6.30pm

Tickets through Arbor  
£12 (including a curry)

A Racenight is a fun event where we show you footage of old horse races and you bet on the results. It's easy, no racing knowledge is needed and its all down to luck...and there's a bar.

ALL PROFITS GO TO THE PTAL

ADMIT ONE WINNER ADMIT ONE



BEECHEN CLIFF SCHOOL & HAYESFIELD GIRLS' SCHOOL  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BATH THEATRE SCHOOL

Disney

# HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

ON STAGE!

30 MAR - 02 APR 26

7pm Tickets £16 / £14 (U16s)  
£10 Beechen Cliff & Hayesfield Students

The Roper Theatre, Bath  
Box Office: 01225 640046  
[www.baththeatreschool.com/tickets](http://www.baththeatreschool.com/tickets)

Book by David Simpatico  
Songs by Matthew Gerrard and Robbin Norvi; Buzz Elkin, Greg Chinn and Andrew Sealey; Randy Petersen and Kevin Quinn; Andy Dodd  
and Adam Watts; Bryan Lee; David N. Lawrence and Faye Greenberg; Jamie Houston  
Music Adapted, Arranged and Produced by Bryan Loistelle  
Based on a Disney Channel Original Movie Written by Peter Barsocchini

This another production is presented in arrangement with Music Theatre International. All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI [www.mtishows.co.uk](http://www.mtishows.co.uk)

## Current Vacancies in the School and the Trust

Please follow the link below to view and access all current vacancies from across the MNSP Trust  
<https://www.midsomernortonschoolpartnership.com/vacancies.htm>



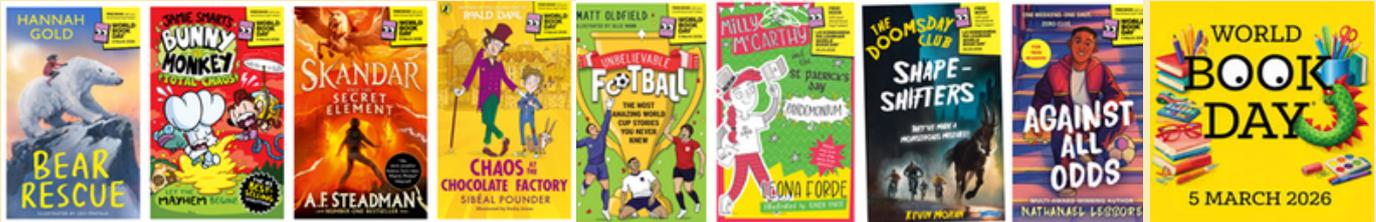
# THE LIBRARY NEWS

Proud to support  
The National Year  
of Reading 2026.

GO  
ALL  
IN!

A calm, quiet space to read and work

National Year of Reading 2026



Don't forget to spend your vouchers before 13th March.



Last week, we celebrated World Book Day. Here are some more photos of our fantastic staff members in costume. Shout out to the faculties who themed: English who all channelled their inner villains and Science with the theme of characters from Frank Herbert's Dune. And below I have attached our winning potatoes. All entries got a Creme Egg!



Outstanding Effort Award  
Andy's Bedroom and Slinky Dog by  
Reuben and Elliot, Year 7



KS3 Winner  
Dobby by Finn, Year 7



Scene Winner  
Girl on Fire by Casper  
A, Year 7



KS4 Winner  
Gandalf by  
Iwan F, Year 10



The focus of our World Book Day was Reading What You Love and teachers shared their favourite extracts, poems, song lyrics and non-fiction texts with their students. Ask your child what their teachers shared!





# Hospitality and Catering

## Ramadan Recipes

### Ramadan Rotis Recipe

#### Ingredients

- 250g chapati flour (chapati atta), or 125g wholemeal flour and 125g plain flour, plus extra for dusting and rolling
- 1 tsp sunflower oil
- 2 tbsp salted butter or ghee to serve

**step 1:**  
Mix the flour, oil and ½ tsp fine sea salt... mix in the water and flour until mixed to make a soft dough.

**step 2:**  
Turn out the dough and knead in a flour container on a counter, then cover to rest for 30 mins.

**step 3:**  
Knead the dough in a bowl, ball... divide it into 12 evenly sized balls. Sprinkle each one with flour.

**step 4:**  
Heat a dry griddle and then place the rolled out dough on it to make a 12-14cm diameter circle...

**step 5:**  
Put the dough onto the hot griddle and cook until small air pockets appear. Turn the chapati over and cook until it has flecks of colour.

**step 6:**  
Carefully press the bread with a clean cloth and chapati to swell up with hot air. These rotis are best served straight away...

### Lamb Maqluba Recipe

#### Ingredients

**Lamb & Marinade**

Lamb pieces, Onion, Cardamom, Bay leaves, Allspice, Sugar, Salt, Pepper

**Vegetables**

Eggplant slices, Cauliflower florets, Potatoes, Tomatoes, Olive oil

**Rice & Broth**

Basmati rice, Lamb broth, Salt, Pepper, 7 spice, Cumin, Turmeric

**Garnish**

Parsley, Toasted almonds

[Recipe Link](#)

#### Instructions

**Step 1: Prepare the Lamb**

**Step 2: Roast Vegetables**

**Step 3: Prepare Rice**

**Step 4: Assemble & Cook**

**Step 5: Flip & Serve**

## EXTRA CURRICULAR

# Young Artist Angus wins first prize in Art Competition

Angus M in Year 7 has just been awarded 1st prize at the Royal Commonwealth Society Bath & District Branch Artists' Prize 2026 exhibition.



A huge well done Angus!

The exhibition is open to the public until 14 March at the 44AD Artspace, Abbey Street, Bath.

## PRELOVED UNIFORM SALE



**SAT 21 MARCH**

10am - 12pm

At the Clubhouse  
outbuilding

# Annual School Concert- Wednesday 25th March 7.00pm, St Luke's Church

The School will be presenting its Annual Music Concert on Wednesday 25th March 2026 at St Luke's Church, Hatfield Road, (BA2 2BD).

Several Ensembles will be involved, including Concert Band, Swing Band, Folk Group, Guitar Ensemble, Choir, Saxophone group and Year 7 ensemble, all presenting a wide range of repertoire.

The Concert will commence at 7.00pm and finish at approximately 9.15pm including a 20 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!

Please could I ask parents/carers to ensure pupils are attending rehearsals in preparation for the concert.

<b>Music - Choir (all years)</b>	Monday 3.15- 4.10	Recital Room	Mr Calvert
<b>Music - Concert Band/Orchestra (all years)</b>	Tuesday 3.15 - 4.10	Recital Room	Mr Calvert
<b>Music - Folk Band (all years)</b>	Thursday 3.15 - 4.10	Recital room	Mr Thompson
<b>Music - Guitar Ensemble (grade 1 and above)</b>	Thursday 3.15 - 4.10		Mr Diver
<b>Music - Year 7 Ensemble</b>	Thursday 12.30- 12.55	Music Centre	Mr Calvert
<b>Music - Saxophone Group</b>	Thursday 12.00-12.30	MU 3	Miss Fowler
<b>Music Swing Band (years 10, 11, Sixth form)</b>	Wednesday 1.30 - 2.15	Bands room	Mr Daniels
<b>Music: Ska Band</b>	Friday 3.15-4.10	Bands Room	Mr Harriman

Mr P E Calvert  
Head of Music

## Recent Fixture Results

		Fixture	Result
Tuesday 10th March	FOOTBALL	BCS U12B v Ralph Allen School (H)	
		BCS U12C v Ralph Allen School (A)	
		BCS U15B v Ralph Allen School (A)	1-0
	HOCKEY	BCS U14A v Monkton Combe (A)	6-8
		BCS U15A v Monkton Combe (A)	3-3
Wednesday 11th March	FOOTBALL	BCS U13B v Ralph Allen School (A)	0-0
		BCS U13C v Ralph Allen School (A)	0-0
		BCS U15A v St Gregory (H)	1-0
		BCS U16A v Haygrove	2-5
	HOCKEY	BCS U12A v Prior College (A)	0-4
		BCS U13A v Prior College (A)	2-1
	HOCKEY 7s	BCS U12A v Prior College (A)	0-4
		BCS U13A v Prior College (A)	2-1
	RUGBY 7s	BCS U14A v St Benedict's School	43-5
BCS U14A v St Edward's School, Oxford		22-19	

## SPORTS FIXTURES for wc 16th March 2026

Details of upcoming sports fixtures, team sheets and meet times are available on the school SOCS website - <https://www.schoolssports.com/school/default.asp?id=374>

Below details were correct at the time of publication, however please check the website for up any changes/updates

Date		Fixture	Start time/kick off	Meet time	Transport	Finish/Return time
Monday 16th March	FOOTBALL	BCS U12B v St Gregorys (A)	15:45	15:00	MB	
		BCS U12C v St Gregorys (A)	15:45	15:00	MB	
		BCS U13B v St Gregorys (H)	15:45	15:15		
		BCS U15 v Nailsea	13:45	11:30	MB	
Tuesday 17th March	FOOTBALL	BCS U12A v Oldfield School (H - Astro)	15:45	15:15		
		BCS U14 v Bishop Fox (A)	14:30	11:30		
	HOCKEY	BCS U15A v Downside (A)	13:45	13:30	MB	
	RUGBY	BCS U14 v Churchill	14:00	13:00	MB	
		BCS U15 v Churchill	15:15	14:15	MB	
Wednesday 18th March	FOOTBALL	BCS U16A v Oldfield School (H)	15:45			
	HOCKEY	BCS U12A v Downside School (A)	14:30	13:15		
		BCS U13A v Downside School (H)	14:30	13:15		
Thursday 19th March	FOOTBALL	1st XI v Kingswood School (H)	15:45			
		2nd XI v Kingswood School (H)	15:45			
		BCS U14A v Oldfield School (A) Lansdown	15:45			
	NETBALL	BCS 1st VII v Monkton Combe School (A)	14:30	13:30	MB	
		BCS 2nd VII v Monkton Combe School (A)	14:30	13:30	MB	

## Beechen Cliff Careers Newsletter

This week's Beechen Cliff Future Horizon Careers publication is published alongside this school newsletter.

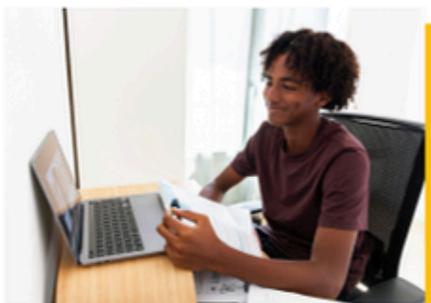
If you would like any further support or information please let me know at [epascoe@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk](mailto:epascoe@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk)

In addition further information about upcoming careers opportunities are available on the next few pages.

Mrs E Pascoe  
Head of Careers

## Virtual Insight into University

Insight into University is a virtual experience that helps students explore STEM degrees, apprenticeships, and related careers. It offers access to university life, STEM projects from top UK universities and global companies, first-year lectures, and live sessions with academics, admissions tutors, apprentices, employers, and current students.



### Course topics

- Hear from STEM professionals at top UK companies, from early-career apprentices to senior leaders and recruiters, about their journeys, inspirations, and projects.
- Join live Q&A sessions with STEM professionals, admissions officers, students, and professors in a supportive environment.
- Get expert advice on university applications, interviews, admissions tests, student finance, and support services.
- Take part in hands-on STEM activities like bridge building, making ice cream at the chemical level, and flight experiments.

*"I absolutely loved the course. It has helped me discover my true passion, and love which I hope to pursue in the future."*

**100%** of students increased their awareness of STEM opportunities available to them

**92%** of students felt the skills and knowledge gained from the course would have a positive impact on their future studies or career.

### Course requirements and registering your interest

This course is open to all students aged 16+ who have a genuine interest in STEM subjects and is suitable for all abilities. To apply, please visit our website [here](https://www.etrust.org.uk).



  [www.etrust.org.uk](https://www.etrust.org.uk)

# Community Links

We are happy to promote local businesses and community events. Please note these are not the responsibility of / or endorsed by Beechen Cliff School.

## THE UNIFORM CUPBOARD

Giving away good quality second hand school uniform & coats



**Sunday 28th June 2026**

**2PM - 4PM**

Freedom House, Lower Bristol Road,  
Bath, BA2 1EP

Email us for enquiries  
[thecupboard@soundchurch.co.uk](mailto:thecupboard@soundchurch.co.uk)

Find us on Facebook: [/soundchurchcupboard](https://www.facebook.com/soundchurchcupboard)



# The Wardrobe



**Good Quality Promwear:**  
Dresses & Suits ready for Year 11's and School Leavers across B&NES and the surrounding areas.

As more parents and pupils face the impact of a national cost of living crisis, The Wardrobe steps in so every pupil can celebrate and be celebrated without worrying about what they have to wear.

Come along to a drop in session  
10AM-12PM



thecupboard@soundchurch.co.uk  
Freedom House, Lower Bristol Road, BA2 1EP

April  
13th, 15th & 17th



Theatre  
Reviva!  
presents

## Were you anyone before Dad's Army?

The missing history of Private Godfrey

Directed by Graham Pountney      Written by Nicolas Ridley  
With Mansel David as Arnold Ridley

*"From the opening music to the powerful end of the play,  
the audience was treated to a most extraordinary story  
...a joyous production."*

- Cormac Richards, Theatre Plays UK

THE GHOST  
TRAIN

**TMT**  
THE MISSION THEATRE  
32 Corn Street, Bath, BA1 1UF

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> • Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 7:30pm

Matinee Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2:00pm

Tickets: (Adults over 18) £20    Under 18 £15

Bath Box Office 01225 463362  
www.bathboxoffice.org.uk



**TMT**  
THE MISSION THEATRE  
32 Corn Street, Bath BA1 1UF

### THE MISSING HISTORY OF PRIVATE GODFREY The Actor ARNOLD RIDLEY

**T**ODAY Arnold Ridley is best remembered as the much-loved Dad's Army character, Private Godfrey, but the part of Godfrey came towards the end of a long theatrical career and a truly remarkable life. Having survived the horrors of the First World War and a stuttering start to his theatrical career, he began writing plays, one of which, *The Ghost Train*, enjoyed immense success. Many more successful West End plays followed alongside an involvement in the movie-making business which resulted in his financial ruin.

Evacuated from France in 1940, he was invalided out of the British Army for a second time, and then began his struggle to find a place in the new theatrical landscape. There followed many anxious years until the miracle of *Dad's Army* restored his faith in himself and at last provided him with a modest measure of renewed celebrity and security.

A well-drawn character can easily seem so complete that it's difficult to distinguish the fictional character from the actor. *Were You Anyone Before Dad's Army?* draws back the curtain and provides a touching, life-affirming account of one man's unwavering courage and resilience: a true hero, although he himself would certainly have disclaimed the label!

Nicolas Ridley – writer



**Scouts**  
Avon



# Volunteer in the Scouting County of Avon

[volunteer@avonscouts.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@avonscouts.org.uk)

[www.avonscouts.org.uk/join](http://www.avonscouts.org.uk/join)

**#SkillsForLife**

Volunteer, your way evenings, weekends, or behind the scenes. Pick a role that fits your life

We're looking for

- Trustees
- TeamLead Volunteers
- Section Volunteers
- Treasurers
- Chairs

No experience needed. Training provided for every role

Sound good? Scan the QR code or follow the link below



# Join the Egg Young Committee



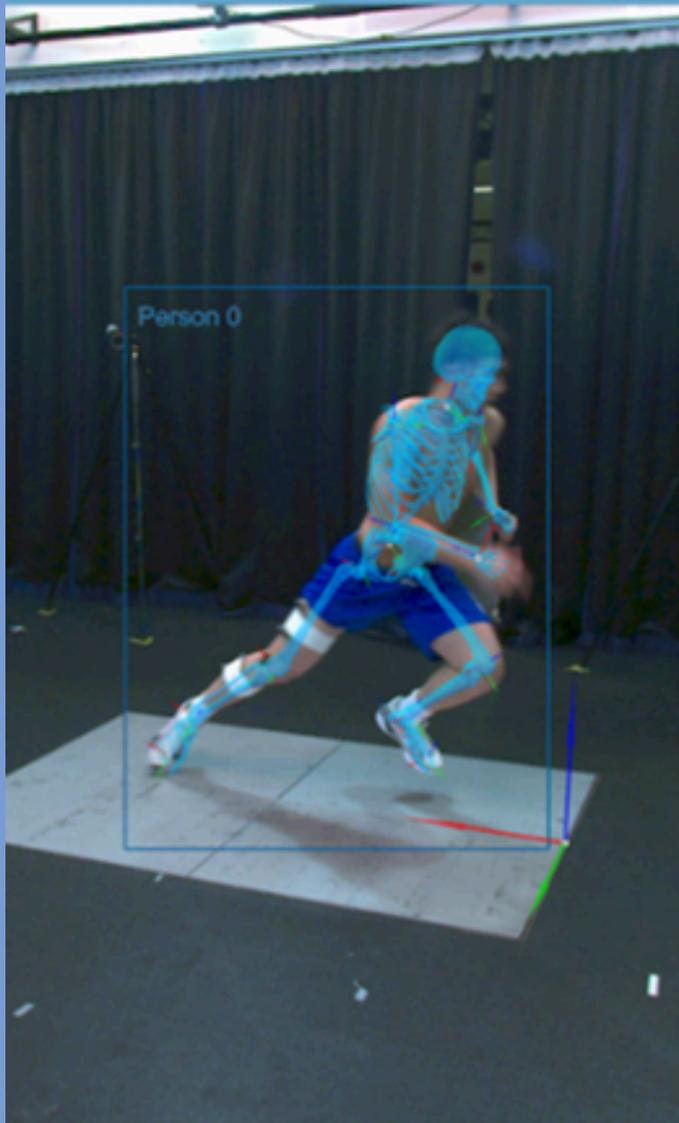
- For ages 17 - 25
- Opportunity to discover more about governance
- Contribute to youth voice, policy development, and strategic decision-making
- influence how the theatre engages with young audiences and young people across the region
- Meetings once every two months (6 per year)
- Opportunity to Volunteer in a TRB department of your choice
- Delivered by a named facilitator and an experienced workshop assistant
- Supported by the Young Board Associates
- Special invites to 1<sup>st</sup> night TRB productions

Please contact Janine

[janine.solomon-gardner@theatreroyal.org.uk](mailto:janine.solomon-gardner@theatreroyal.org.uk)

LOCATION: UNIVERSITY OF BATH  
APPLIED BIOMECHANICS SUITE

# MOTION CAPTURE STUDY



**LOOKING FOR PARTICIPANTS  
TO HELP VALIDATE CUTTING-  
EDGE MOTION CAPTURE  
TECHNOLOGY FOR SPORTS  
AND REHABILITATION**

**EXPECTED TIME COMMITMENT:  
60 MINUTES MAX**

## **PARTICIPANT INVOLVEMENT CRITERIA:**

- MALE & FEMALE (AGES 10-18)
- TAKE PART IN  $\geq 3$  ORGANISED SPORT/PE SESSIONS PER WEEK FOR THE PAST 6 MONTHS
- PREVIOUS INJURY OR MEDICAL CONDITION ALLOWED IF FULLY RECOVERED
- ABLE TO PERFORM STANDARDISED MOVEMENT TASKS IN SPORTS KIT
- PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT + PARTICIPANT ASSENT
- ANY HEIGHT OR WEIGHT ACCEPTED

**CONTACT RESEARCHERS TO  
RECEIVE MORE INFORMATION  
AND GET INVOLVED**

- **DESMOND TAM**  
(KCT33@BATH.AC.UK)
- **IRIS CHEW**  
(ZTC22@BATH.AC.UK)
- **AIMEE GHOTRA**  
(AG3228@BATH.AC.UK)

## **PARTICIPANT EXCLUSION CRITERIA:**

- CURRENT INJURY OR PAIN THAT AFFECTS MOVEMENT
- USE OF MOBILITY AIDS
- VISUAL, BALANCE, OR COGNITIVE DIFFICULTIES THAT AFFECT FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS
- SURGERY ON BONES OR JOINTS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS, UNLESS FULLY RECOVERED

DANONE

# GetPRO Bath Miles <sup>20</sup>/<sub>26</sub>

**JOIN OUR FIRST-EVER JUNIOR PARKRUN**

**& THE DAILY MILE WAVE!**

**WHEN:** Saturday 14 March

**START LINE:** Royal Victoria Park

**WAVE START TIME:** 11:00

Be part of the Bath Half Marathon Weekend and take on this free, fun event suitable for the whole family.

Bath Miles offers participants of all ages and abilities the chance to be part of the action by running, jogging, walking or wheeling a one-mile course in Royal Victoria Park.



Scan the QR code to register!

#### WHAT YOU GET:

- Timed results
- Finisher's medal (optional)
- Free access to the Fanzone in Royal Victoria Park



BATH CROQUET ACADEMY is once again offering an introduction to croquet over the coming Easter holidays

## **BATH CROQUET ACADEMY**

### **START YOUR CROQUET JOURNEY NOW!**

**Are you under 18yrs?**

**Join us during the  
Easter break**

**9/10 or 13/14 April**

**Prepare to compete in the  
NATIONAL JUNIOR  
CHAMPIONSHIPS**



**Contact Lynne, Club Coach at  
[Bathcroquetclub@gmail.com](mailto:Bathcroquetclub@gmail.com)**

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School of Rock & Pop

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- ✓ All abilities welcome!
- ✓ Ages 7-11 & 11-18
- ✓ Choose from bass, guitar, drums or singing
- ✓ Learn, play in a band and gig!
- ✓ No instrument? Use ours!

## SESSIONS IN YOUR AREA

Monday @ **Beechen Cliff School, Bath**  
Ages 7-11: 5-7pm / Ages 11-18: 7-9pm

Tuesday @ **Emmanuel's Yard, Trowbridge**  
Ages 7-11: 4-6pm / Ages 11-18: 6-8pm

Wednesday @ **Sheldon School, Chippenham**  
Ages 7-11: 5-7pm / Ages 11-18: 7-9pm

Thursday @ **Wellsway School, Keynsham**  
Ages 7-11: 5-7pm / Ages 11-18: 7-9pm



**LEARN | PLAY | GIG**

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Ages 7+, Booking essential

# BEECHEN CLIFF FACILITY HIRE

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Classrooms



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weekends



**tennis for all  
ages + abilities**

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