



## BEECHEN CLIFF WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

24th September 2026

### Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to say a big thank you to all who have supported with school events over the last week.

From the PTA uniform sale to rugby fixtures, swimming at Millfield, Duke of Edinburgh expeditions, the Devon cycle ride, Hospitality and Catering Assessments, hockey fixtures, rehearsals for Mama Mia and much much more...it has been a very busy week.

I have also had the opportunity to visit a number of lessons and it has been good to see students focused on their learning and also explaining their topics of study.

Thank you also to all who attended our Parent Information Evening for new Year 7 Parents this week to meet with tutors and hear from staff. For those unable to attend, or if you would like to revisit the presentation, please note this is now available on our website or via the following link: [Year 7 Parent Information Evening](#)

Finally, today's Open Morning was another busy event with well over 400 visitors to the school. Once again our tour guides and student helpers represented our school brilliantly and we received so many positive comments about the confidence of our new Year 7's just a few weeks into term.

Our next open event is for prospective Sixth Form students and this takes place on Saturday 17th October.

*T. D. Marshall*

T. D. Markall  
Headteacher

# KEY NOTICES

## 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

### Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September

Year 11 Parents' Information Evening 6-7pm  
5.30pm Tutors and Head of Year available prior to meeting

### Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Tutor Grp KPA - Year 7 visit to Tir-y-Cwm

### Thursday 1st October

Year 10 Parents' Information Evening 6-7pm

### Monday 5<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October

Tutor Grp BY - Year 7 visit to Tir-y-Cwm

### Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October

Tutor Grp SHB - Year 7 visit to Tir-y-Cwm

### Monday 12<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October

Tutor Grp ML - Year 7 visit to Tir-y-Cwm

### Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October

Piano Concert at St Lukes Church 7pm - 9pm

### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Tutor Grp KPB - Year 7 visit to Tir-y-Cwm

### Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October

Sixth Form Open Morning 9am-12.30pm

### Monday 19<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Tutor Grp SHA - Year 7 visit to Tir-y-Cwm

## Menu of the week - Week Commencing 28th September

**Monday:** Pork with a Peppercorn and Mushroom Gravy, Smoked Cheddar and Red Onion Turn Over (W,D)

**Tuesday:** Chicken Tagine, Aubergine Courgette and Bean Hot Pot

**Wednesday:** Roast Chicken, Homity Pie (W,D)

**Thursday:** Pasta Arabiatta (W,GF), Stuffed Pepper with Ratatouille and Halloumi (D)

**Friday:** Fisherman's Fie (D), Mozzarella and Roasted Vegetable Toasted Wrap (W,D)

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

Mr D Keal  
Head Chef

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

# Upcoming Parent Information Evenings

We are delighted with the positive start our pupils have made to the new academic year. As highlighted by the letters sent out last week, we have a number of Parent Information Evenings taking place over the coming weeks. These events are designed to provide parents and carers with useful information, practical guidance and opportunities to work in partnership with us to support their sons' continued success as they move through key stages of their education. For those intending to attend these events, please complete the appropriate google form which are also attached to the year group specific letter:

## **Year 11 – GCSE Course Parent Information Evening**

Tuesday 29 September | 5.30–6.00pm Refectory | 6.00–7.00pm Main Hall: [Link](#)

## **Year 10 – GCSE Course Parent Information Evening**

Thursday 1 October | 6.00–7.00pm | Main School Hall: [Link](#)

Mr K P Morris  
Assistant Headteacher

## Looking ahead to the Sixth Form Open Morning and applications - 17th October

Year 11 Parents, this week you will have received an email from Applicaa, the programme we use for our Sixth Form Admissions. Please have a read of this initial application information.

Your son has been sent his login details to his school email address. Please use this login to book onto the Sixth Form Open Morning on the 17th October. The booking form is on the school homepage.

We recommend that Year 11s come along to the Open Day as this is a great opportunity to hear from Miss Mather, Head of Sixth, and to attend course specific talks which will help your son decide on their A Level choices.

Following the Open Morning your son will need to complete the application form for Sixth Form which opens on the 17th October. The deadline for applications is the 11th December. One-to-one Admissions Conversations with our Sixth Form team and SLT will take place in the spring, after mocks.



  
**BEECHEN CLIFF**  
A vibrant, academic  
mixed Sixth Form

**Sixth Form Open Morning**  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October  
9am - 12:30pm

Book your place at  
[www.beechencliff.org.uk](http://www.beechencliff.org.uk)

 @beechencliffbath

# Online Safety

Firstly, I would like to say how well our pupils have responded to the mobile phone ban in school and the use of their pouches - they have adapted to new routines very quickly. However, even with the ban in schools in place, digital devices, homework platforms, and online games still play an increasingly central role in our children's daily lives—regardless of their age. Whether your child is taking their first steps online or navigating social media and group chats independently, helping them build safe digital habits is a shared priority.

To support families across every year group, we recommend bookmarking this practical resource from Internet Matters: [Online Safety Advice Hub for Families](#).

This interactive hub allows you to access tailored advice for your child's exact age and activities, including:

- Age-Specific Guides: Clear boundary-setting advice tailored from early years through to older teenagers.
- Step-by-Step Control Guides: How to set up age-appropriate privacy controls and screen-time limits on phones, consoles, and tablets.
- App & Gaming Overviews: Simple guides explaining popular platforms like Roblox, WhatsApp, YouTube, and TikTok.
- Conversation Starters: Tips on how to talk openly with your child about online safety so they feel comfortable turning to you if something goes wrong.

We hope you find this resource helpful as you establish home routines for the term ahead. If you ever have questions or concerns regarding your child's online safety or wellbeing, please do not hesitate to contact your son's tutor, Head of Year or me

Mr C Hall  
Designated Safeguarding Lead



## Could Your Child be Eligible for Free School Meals?



The Government **has expanded eligibility for Free School Meals from September 2026**, meaning more families receiving Universal Credit may now qualify.

Many families who have not previously qualified may now be eligible, so we encourage you to check.

To apply, please visit:-

<https://www.bathnes.gov.uk/form/apply-free-school-meals>

Any questions you can contact:-

Bath & North East Somerset Council  
Tel: 01225 477277  
Email: [freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk)

**Bath & North East  
Somerset Council**

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# Online sessions - Keeping Your Child Safe Online from Grooming and Exploitation

I am pleased to be able to pass on this information regarding free online sessions for parents and carers on "Keeping Your Child Safe Online from Grooming and Exploitation", delivered by Avon and Somerset Police. The speaker has been into school on several occasions and is incredibly knowledgeable and will talk very openly about key issues.

The sessions are designed to help parents and carers better understand how grooming and exploitation can occur online, recognise warning signs, and learn practical steps to help keep children and young people safe online.

## Session dates:

Tuesday 29 September 2026, 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Tuesday 6 October 2026, 1:00pm to 2:30pm

The sessions will be led by Andri Nicolaou, Child Exploitation Prevention and Coordination Officer, and are free to attend. Participants can join without using their camera or microphone if they prefer.

## Booking links:

**BOOK NOW** - 29 September 2026 - 19:00 till 20:30

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/free-keeping-your-child-safe-online-from-grooming-and-exploitation-t...>

**BOOK NOW** - 06th October 2026 - 13:00 till 14:30

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/keeping-your-child-safe-online-from-grooming-and-exploitation-ticket...>

Mr C Hall  
Designated Safeguarding Lead



## PTA News

The PTA held a very successful pre-loved uniform sale last Saturday, raising over £1,100 funds for the school – a great fundraising start to the year!

There were also lots of rugby activities going on at the same time and thanks to year 8 parent Simon Bowden, who brought along his coffee cart, we raised a further £100 for the PTA from his sales. Many thanks Simon!



Below is the PTA calendar until the end of 2026:

- **Thursday 15 October** – there will be a PTA Bar at the School Piano Concert in St. Lukes Church;
- **Friday 13 November** – PTA Quiz night – look out for the flyers and tickets going on sale in due course – always a fun night!;
- **Thursday 19 November** – PTA AGM, 7pm, The Bear – come along to meet the members of the PTA Committee and to learn more about how you could help in a big or small way; and a
- PTA collection at the Christmas carol service in Bath Abbey on **Wednesday 16 December**.

We will also be organising our second pre-loved uniform sale of the year in November alongside a sale of pre-loved ski clothing and equipment for the upcoming Austria trips – so please keep a look out for the date of the sale as well as a call for donations.

Beechen Cliff PTA

## 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>



# LIBRARY NEWS

## Exciting News from the Library!

We are delighted to share that the library has received funding from the PTA to purchase eight magazine subscriptions for students to enjoy. To make sure we choose magazines that our students will be interested in, they have been invited to complete a short survey telling us which titles they would like to see in the library - we will be sharing the results next week! Thank you to everyone who contributed to PTA events to enable this donation.

We are also excited to announce that the government funding for secondary school libraries has been awarded, and we will receive £1,376 to spend on updating and developing our library collection. A key focus of this funding will be encouraging reading for pleasure, helping us to provide a wider and more engaging range of books for our students. We have exciting plans to involve our whole school community in deciding which books we should add to the collection, and we will share more information about how everyone can get involved over the next few weeks.

## READING TIP

All reading builds vocabulary and comprehension just as well as traditional novels.



## OPENING TIMES

Mon - Thu: 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM  
Homework Club: Daily until 4:30

Students are welcome to come to the library after school to change their book and chat about reading. After 3.30, all students must be engaged in homework activities or silent reading to ensure all students get the support they need.

## Whole School Book Club.

This year, these will take place on the last term-time MONDAY of the month.

The first session will be in the library 3.15-4.15 on MONDAY 28th SEPTEMBER.

In this session we will be discussing our favourite books, considering books we would like to see in the library and perhaps even testing our knowledge with a book quiz for some prizes!

Dates for book club: **19th Oct, 30th Nov, Dec TB**

## Join Your Local Library

Joining your local library is free.

**You can access free digital resources such as eBooks and audiobooks without ever going to the library!**

You only need a parent's signature if you want to borrow physical books.

Just fill in the form here:

[Join the library network.](#)

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Questions? Contact Mrs Bridge  
(Library Lead & Literacy Coordinator) •  
[laura.bridge@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk](mailto:laura.bridge@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk)

"The library is for everyone. Keep reading!"

*Our library is a safe, welcoming space  
for all, supporting  
a love of reading and learning across  
the school community.*



**KS3**

Tuesday Lunchtime  
12.30 - 13.00

 In the Library

**KS4 and Sixth**

Tuesday Lunchtime  
13.30 - 14.00

 In the Library

## The Schools Challenge Quiz

This is a NATIONAL quiz, where we compete against schools from all over the country.

Last year, Beechen Cliff entered four teams with some excellent results!

Can you help us be quizzing champions this year?



SCHOOLS  
CHALLENGE

## We Need You!

Whatever your specialist subject!  
Come along every week  
or just now and again.



**ALL SUBJECTS**

**Hope to see you at one of these clubs soon!**

# Music

As always, please see the noticeboard in the music department foyer or the music website for instrumental lesson timetables.

Ensemble rehearsals are now in full swing, with the Choir beginning to prepare for the upcoming Carol Service at Bath Abbey. Choir rehearsals take place Mondays from 3:20 - 4:15 in the Drama Studio (old recital room) in the music department. It has been great to see so many new faces taking part and I would encourage pupils of all year groups and singing abilities to join. For the full list of music ensembles and details of weekly rehearsal times, please see the list of extra-curricular activities.

Also coming up is the regional Rotary Young Musician Competition. The event is open to students from ages 13 to 17 performing at Grade 7 level or higher. Instrumental and voice entrants are welcome. For more details and to apply, please see the following website:

<https://www.youngmusicianbristol.com/the-competition>

Mr S Thompson  
Head of Music and Drama

# Hospitality and Catering



Last week, Year 11 Hospitality and Catering students took part in a live mock. This involved cooking two dishes suitable for a formal meal being held at Bath Rugby Club. Here are some of the fantastic results.

Mrs K Gallagher  
Food Lead

# Extra Curricular Activities

## Extra-curricular Clubs and Activities for Terms 1 and 2

The List of Extra curricular Club and Activities on offer for terms 1 and 2 and can be viewed on the school website.

[Link](#) to Extra-curricular List

## Recent Sporting Fixtures Results

| Fixture                     |          |                               | Result |
|-----------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|--------|
| Thursday 17th<br>September  | RUGBY    | U16a v Kingswood (a)          | 43-17  |
|                             |          | U16b v Kingswood (a)          | 29-12  |
| Saturday 19th<br>September  | RUGBY    | U12a v Kingswood (h)          | 25-10  |
|                             |          | U12b v Kingswood (h)          | 30-15  |
|                             |          | U13a v Kingswood (h)          | 25-45  |
|                             |          | U13b v Kingswood (h)          | 25-20  |
|                             |          | U14a v Kingswood (a)          | 33-14  |
|                             |          | U14b v Kingswood (a)          | 32-17  |
|                             |          | U15a v Kingswood (a)          | 36-22  |
| Tuesday 22<br>September     | FOOTBALL | U18a v Gordano School (h)     | 11-12  |
| Wednesday 23rd<br>September | RUGBY    | U12a v Prior Park College (a) | 35-25  |
|                             |          | U12b v Prior Park College (a) | 30-0   |
|                             |          | U13a v Prior Park College (h) | 50-5   |
|                             |          | U18a v Gordon's School (a)    | 19-7   |
|                             |          | U18b v Gordon's School (a)    | 12-33  |

# Beechen Cliff Ska Band Needs You!



Joining a Ska band is like hitting the ultimate musical turbo button! You'll get to blast out high-energy tunes that make everyone want to dance. It's all about unleashing your inner rockstar and having an absolute blast making music with your friends every week!

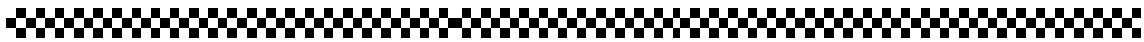
We will be playing all kinds of styles from Ska Punk to Reggae and I'm looking for all kinds of instrumentalists. Specifically, I'm looking for Drummers, Guitarists, Vocalists, Keys players and of course, the most important part, Brass Players! (Trumpet, Trombone, Sax etc). We will perform at school concerts, Bands nights and more.

We will perform at school concerts, Bands nights and more. In the past artists we have covered have been Madness, The Specials, Toots and the Maytals, The Selecter, Los Albertos, Smerins Anti Social Club, and more. As well as taking classic pop and rock songs, and putting a new twist on them. This is an ideal opportunity for all who want to get involved in a style of music that they have likely never played before, and I can promise it is a lot of fun to play!

For more information please see Mr Harriman, or come along on Wednesdays at 3:15 in the band room.

Many thanks,

Mr J Harriman  
Music Technician



## OddBalls Bobble Hat In The School Colours - now available to purchase on Arbor

The Beechen Cliff OddBalls Bobble hat is now available for purchase, OddBalls raises awareness of Testicular Cancer.

Hats cost £17.50 each (this includes a donation to the OddBalls charity and the Beechen Rugby Programme). More than one hat may be purchased.

Hats will be distributed to your child from the PE office by the start of November at the latest. Please make payment via the Arbor School Shop.

Thank you for your support!



# BEECHEN'S GOT TALENT

## Beechen's Got Talent Returns for 2026!

The annual school competition Beechen's Got Talent returns on Thursday 19th November. This is a great opportunity to show off whatever 'talents' people may have.

The Talent DOES NOT NEED TO BE MUSICAL. Can someone Juggle or Spin Plates? Do Magic Tricks? Do They Act? Can They Tell Really Bad Jokes? Do they have a secret passion for ballet? They should sign up to take part! Of course bands and solo performances of any type/instrument are also welcome.

If you need more convincing, the proceeds raised from the show will be going to a great charity which is currently to be confirmed. We also have 4 confirmed special guest teacher judges who will be announced closer to the date! Plus a small prize (TBC) and bragging rights for the year! Pupils from all years welcome.

If anyone is interested please contact [james.harriman@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk](mailto:james.harriman@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk)

## Upcoming Events

| Event                | Date                    | Location                  |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Piano Concert        | Thursday 15th October   | St Luke's Church          |
| Beechen's Got Talent | Thursday 19th November  | Beechen Cliff (Main Hall) |
| Carol Service        | Wednesday 16th December | Bath Abbey                |

If you are interested in any of the above events please speak to a member of the music staff or contact me at: [sam.thompson@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk](mailto:sam.thompson@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk).

Mr S Thompson  
Head of Music and Drama



# Coast to Coast Challenge 2026



Twenty three pupils set out on this challenge on Saturday 19th Sept. This involves cycling the 96 miles between Ilfracombe and Plymouth, across Devon in a day. The day chosen also happened to be the wettest and windiest day for some while set between days of warm autumnal sunshine.

It mattered not, the group took everything in their stride or under their wheels. There were opportunities to access minibuses at stops scattered throughout Devon, such as Braunton, Great Torrington, Hatherleigh, Okehampton and Tavistock.



We started from Ilfracombe Harbour at 7.15am and found ourselves in Okehampton for 1.30pm after a lumpy 60 miles. Okehampton was a key target as the Granite Way cafe kindly shut, just to accommodate our brief visit. They provided warmth, shelter and some proper cornish pasties. This was a huge morale boost and staff and pupils alike were very grateful to the cafe staff for allowing this.

The group communicated well all day and we managed to avoid the potholes and occasional cows that drifted onto the cycle path or road. The route is fantastic and links up three off-road trails, namely the Tarka trail, Granite Way and Plym Valley trail. This accounts for 70 miles of off-road cycling. It was briefly dry around the estuaries of Barnstaple and Bideford before the cloud lowered over the hills of mid Devon and western fringes of Dartmoor.

After this stop the highest point of the day, Brent Tor was still to be reached. This is a long steady drag uphill and as it happened, directly into a delightful headwind. This was a tough leg. Once achieved though, we descended into Tavistock to pick up the Plym Valley trail. This is almost freewheel time for twenty miles into Plymouth and a finish next to Smeatons tower atop Plymouth Hoe and Barbican.



Our total riding time was 9 hours 45 minutes. Extremely respectful in the conditions and for the group spanning year groups 9 to 13.

They should be proud of themselves and were part of a busy weekend of outdoor activities for Beechen Cliff. The new academic year is off to a flyer!

Many thanks to the staff who supported this venture, either cycling or as vehicle support. Their time is valued and such opportunities cannot exist without them.



# Sporting Fixtures for wc 28th September

Advance details below of fixtures planned for week commencing 28th September as at the time of publication. These are potentially be subject to change, so do please check the website ([link](#)) for any changes or updates.

| Fixture                  |          |                                     | Start time/kick off |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Monday 28th September    | RUGBY    | U13a v BGS (a)                      | 14:30               |
|                          |          | U13b v BGS (a)                      | 14:30               |
| Wednesday 30th September | RUGBY    | 1st XV v Hartpury (h)               | 14:30               |
|                          |          | U14a v Marlborough (a)              | 14:30               |
|                          |          | U14b v Marlborough (a)              | 14:30               |
|                          | FOOTBALL | U16 v King Alfred (Odd Down- grass) | 15:00               |
| Thursday 1st October     | RUGBY    | 3rd XV v Marlborough College        | 14:30               |
|                          |          | U15a v Marlborough College (a)      | 14:30               |
|                          |          | U15b v Marlborough College (a)      | 14:30               |
|                          |          | U16a v Marlborough College (a)      | 14:30               |



## Beechen Cliff Rugby Newsletter

The first edition of our Beechen Cliff Rugby Newsletter by Mr Geraint Lewis is published alongside this newsletter on the School website. [Link](#)

Future editions will be issued at regular intervals and will continue to be published alongside this weekly newsletters.

## CAREERS

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 [emma.pascoe@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk](mailto:emma.pascoe@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk)

Mrs E Pascoe  
Level 6 Careers Adviser

# WELLBEING



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are well and enjoying these unexpected few days of sunshine.

We wanted to share a little more information about the Solution Focused counselling provision at Beechen Cliff and how it sits within the school's wider Wellbeing Team.

Solution Focused counselling is available to support students who may benefit from some additional space to talk and think about what they would like to be different in their lives. Students are offered sessions with one of our Solution Focused practitioners, with Tara working primarily with students in the Lower School and Susie with students in the Upper School.

Sessions are usually weekly for 30 minutes, for approximately half a term, and are then reviewed. The conversations focus on the young person's best hopes for the sessions, what they would like to be different or wanted, and what is already working in their lives.

Solution Focused Practice developed from psychotherapy in the 1980s. It is a gentle, collaborative approach that sees people as experts in their own lives. Rather than focusing extensively on problems, it helps young people to notice the resources, skills and things that are already helping them, while also creating space to imagine what they would like instead.

We find this approach works particularly well with children and young people. It gives them space to be

heard and to explore their own ideas about what might make a difference, recognising that they often have a good sense of what matters to them and what they would like to see happening in their lives.

The sessions are confidential, with the usual safeguarding exceptions. If a young person shares something that raises a concern about their safety or wellbeing, this would need to be shared with the appropriate members of the school team, with information then shared appropriately with the young person and their family.

Solution Focused Practice is also systemic. Although the young person's individual conversations are confidential, we recognise the importance of the people and environments around them. Where appropriate, and with the young person's involvement, we may work alongside family and school to support the young person.

The Wellbeing Team and pastoral staff consider the support that may be most appropriate for individual students, and Solution Focused counselling is one of the approaches available within this wider provision.

We hope this gives you a helpful insight into the Solution Focused work taking place at Beechen Cliff.

*Warm wishes,  
The Wellbeing Team*

Tara Gretton

Advanced IASTI Accredited Solution Focused Practitioner, ACC ICF Coach and RQSW and Founder of Solution Revolution

[www.solutionrevolution.co.uk](http://www.solutionrevolution.co.uk)

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# SAVE THE DATE



## 9-10 April 2027

### Imagine a school where wellbeing comes first...

Imagine a school with a collective purpose, where people look through a lens of **what's working** and **what's wanted**.

A school where wellbeing isn't an add-on, but is woven through the fabric of school life — the classrooms, corridors, conversations, strategy meetings and everyday interactions.

Join us in a Solution Focus in Organisations gathering at Beechen Cliff School, Bath, where a Solution Focused approach has been growing in the community for the past eight years.

This gathering will explore what can happen when wellbeing becomes a catalyst for better outcomes — stronger staff retention, better pupil attendance, fewer behavioural issues, stronger relationships and greater engagement in learning.

This is **not** a show-and-tell conference.

It is a **working gathering** for school and trust leaders, governors, policymakers, practitioners and others who want to influence what happens in schools.

We'll share experience from Beechen Cliff and elsewhere — then work together to explore what's already working, what we want more of, and what we can take back into our own contexts.



COMMUNITY



WELLBEING



GROWTH



POSSIBILITY



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**To register interest with no obligation,  
please email [zoom@sfio.org](mailto:zoom@sfio.org).**



Beechen Cliff School, Bath  
*More details to follow.*



Hear the "**Biggest Bang For Your Buck**" case study here:  
<https://www.sfio.org/interaction/2025-1/beecheen-cliff-case-study/>

# 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.



## *Tennis designed for you*

Our highly experienced team truly understands the coaching process. There is no room for big egos, just integrity, empathy, passion and commitment to supporting every player. It is your journey, we are trying to make sure you enjoy the trip.

## *Tennis for all ages and abilities*

Our mindset is everyone has the potential to achieve their goals. Our role is to provide support and guidance as they progress on their journey and inspire them to push the limits.

[ENQUIRE NOW >](#)



# BATH BASKETBALL

## U14 WEBBA 26-27 SEASON

— WE ARE RECRUITING! —

Join Bath Basketball and be part of our  
**U14 WEBBA** squad for the **2026-27** season.



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SKILLS



COMPETE



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YEAR 7 TO YEAR 9

[bathbasketball.welfare@gmail.com](mailto:bathbasketball.welfare@gmail.com)



[@BATHBASKETBALL](#)





**SAT 26 SEPT 2026**  
**FROM 11AM 'TIL 4.30PM**

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED • ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

**FREE ENTRY**

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## 28 October - Workshops

0930-11am | 11.15-12.45pm | 1.30-3pm Ages 10-16

**Goal Scoring | Elimination/3D skills |  
Transition from Defence to attack**

## 29 & 30 Oct

Registration 0930 pick up by 3.20pm  
**Developers (ages 8-11) and Performers (ages 12-16)**

## 31 Oct Advanced Masterclass

10-11.30am | 12-1.30pm | Ages 12-16

**Disguised passes and Aerials |  
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**HOCKEY CLUB**



## New FREE activity group for boys

★ Weekly meetups with food, games and chat

★ A choice of activities and projects

★ Riverside Youth Hub, Tuesdays  
in termtime 5.30-7.30pm

Starts  
autumn  
2026!



Come along to try out activities like sport, music, bushcraft, art or enterprise with skilled adult male leaders & volunteers.

Each group runs for up to 19 weeks and is open to boys aged 11-14. Spaces are limited so reserve yours now!



Find out more:  
scan here or email  
[marguerite.woodward@mentoringplus.net](mailto:marguerite.woodward@mentoringplus.net)



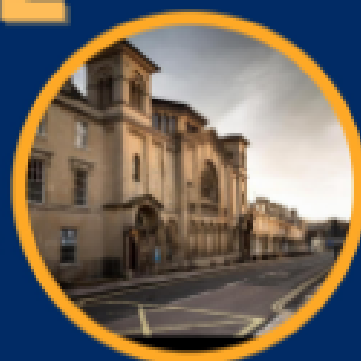
Mentoring Plus, Riverside Youth Hub, York Place,  
Bath BA1 6AE. Registered charity no. 1112534



# OPEN REHEARSAL

**28TH SEPTEMBER ELIM CHURCH, BATH**

*Come along to our Open Rehearsal and join in with the band. Whether you are an experienced player, looking to get back into playing after a break or want to experience playing in a brass band - we'd love to have you!*



## WHATS ON OFFER?

- ✓ **TRAINING BAND**  
18:45 – 19:45  
A relaxed opportunity to come along, play and meet other musicians.
- ✓ **MAIN BAND**  
20:00 – 21:45  
Come and sit in with the main band and experience a full rehearsal.
- ✓ **NO INSTRUMENT? NO PROBLEM!**  
We have instruments available if you don't have your own.



## LET US KNOW YOU'RE COMING!

- ✓ [Secretary@cityofbathbrassband.co.uk](mailto:Secretary@cityofbathbrassband.co.uk)



Follow us on Instagram & Facebook: @cityofbathbrassband

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# MARSHFIELD MUDLITE

5 km MULTI-TERRAIN • AGE 11+

## 5KM Inter-School Cup Challenge!

SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2026

WITHYMEAD, MARSHFIELD

Enter the Marshfield Mudlite – a 5km cross-country run. Compete for the Inter-School Cup and risk getting muddy!

### Six Categories:

|                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Year 7 Girls      | Year 7 Boys      |
| Years 8-9 Girls   | Years 8-9 Boys   |
| Years 10-11 Girls | Years 10-11 Boys |

The top three finishers from each school in each category are added together to form the school's team entry. The school with the lowest combined time wins the cup for each category.

Medals for every finisher. Accurate chip timing.

Also on the day : 2km Mudling fun-run and the 11km Mudlark  
See website for details.



The event is organised by the Marshfield Primary School PTA. Your entry helps supports our village school. No entries on the day.

[race-nation.co.uk/register/marshfield-mudlark/marshfield-mudlark-2026](https://race-nation.co.uk/register/marshfield-mudlark/marshfield-mudlark-2026)

# Family Support & Inclusion Day

Come together, find support, and see what's out there for your family



## Family Support & Inclusion Day - for parents, carers and professionals

Wednesday 14th October 2026

Doors are open from 9:30am - 7pm, join us at any time

Apex City of Bath Hotel  
James Street West, Bath, BA1 2DA

Ever wondered what support is out there for your family? Not sure where to start or who to talk to? Come along, meet the teams and hear more from services. Pre-book your place or just drop in on the day!



Scan here for more information and to find updates on the event  
[banespcf.co.uk/event/family-support-inclusion-day](https://banespcf.co.uk/event/family-support-inclusion-day)



# YOUTH GEEK CAFE

Bringing geeks together and to God



EVERY OTHER  
**SUNDAY**  
9:30AM-11:30AM  
@ GRACE CHURCH, BA3 1DD  
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 11-18  
A FREE SPACE TO MEET  
FELLOW GEEKS, ENJOY LOADS  
OF GAMES AND EXPLORE SOME  
OF THE BIG QUESTIONS OF LIFE  
GET IN TOUCH FOR MORE INFO



[childrenandyoung@gracechurchbath.org](mailto:childrenandyoung@gracechurchbath.org)

# SPARKS

Igniting ideas in film and media arts

## Filmmaking Classes for Ages 7-14 in Bath

Make friends, build confidence and experience the excitement of movie-making as part of a team.

Our fun, supportive classes help young filmmakers develop ideas, and learn the art of telling a story with their newly acquired digital media skills, through themed, hands-on classes.

Wednesdays

5-7pm

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Class...



[www.sparksarts.co.uk](https://www.sparksarts.co.uk)



### What is the Glasshouse Academy (GHA)?

Glasshouse Academy is a unique and supportive programme, delivered by Sporting Sensations in partnership with Bath Recreation, a charitable organisation committed to creating sustainable opportunities for young people to lead healthy, active, and happy lives.

We provide a safe, inclusive, and engaging environment where young people can develop essential life skills, improve their confidence, and build strong social and emotional foundations that will benefit them in school, work, and life

### A Fully Funded Programme

This is a completely free programme for families. All sessions, trips, resources, and experiences are fully funded thanks to the support of Bath Recreation and our local partners.

### How Will It Benefit My Child?

Your child will:

- ✓ Learn vital skills like teamwork, communication, and resilience
- ✓ Build confidence, motivation, and self-awareness
- ✓ Engage in a variety of creative, physical, and practical activities
- ✓ Develop life skills and career readiness for future success
- ✓ Be supported in a positive, nurturing, and inclusive environment

### Where is it to?

Glasshouse Playing fields, Bradford Road, Combe Down, BA2 5BX. However, venues may change during certain terms or to attend trips.

### How to Re-Enrol or Find Out More

If you would like your child to join the Glasshouse Academy, please get in touch with us directly to discuss enrolment or ask any questions.

✉ Email: [academy@bathrec.co.uk](mailto:academy@bathrec.co.uk)

🌐 Website: <https://www.bathrec.co.uk>

### Who is it for?

The programme supports children and young people from Year 5 to Year 8, with sessions and activities tailored to suit different stages of development.

Our current after-school sessions include:

Years 5 & 6 – Monday

Years 7 & 8 – Tuesday

Each session runs from as early as you can drop your child off after school until 5:45-6:00PM. The session includes hands-on learning, group activities, and experiences designed to be fun, purposeful, and age appropriate. We also provide a hot meal.



**To book –** <https://glasshouseacademy.ipalbookings.com>

## DRUM LESSONS AT BEECHEN CLIFF

**Spaces available now**

PLAY  
LEARN  
PROGRESS

Calvert Creative Music School is offering individual drum lessons at Beechen Cliff with our new drum tutor, Mr Tom Andrews.

Tom is an experienced drummer and tutor who also teaches at Bath Spa University and Music Workshop, and regularly performs across the UK and Europe.

Lessons take place during the school day and are suitable for both complete beginners and more experienced players. Students work on technique, coordination, songs and musicianship, and are encouraged to work towards graded drum exams.

-  1-to-1 lessons during the school day
-  Beginners welcome
-  Learn songs, technique and musicianship
-  Encouragement towards graded drum exams
-  Experienced professional drummer and tutor

 To register your interest:  
Jordan Calvert  
jordan@calvertcreativemusicschool.com

 **Calvert Creative Music School**

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**RUH** 

# Glow Run

2km or 5km in the dark

Family fun run for RUH Bath  
Friday 16 October, 5.30-8pm  
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that is suited to you* ♥



SATURDAY  
28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
2026

OR



SUNDAY  
29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
2026

## WHAT'S INCLUDED



### COSY WELCOME BRUNCH



Start the day together with freshly brewed coffee, tea, pastries, granola, fruit and yoghurt.



### TWO PILATES SESSIONS



Morning Flow and Afternoon Strength in our beautiful heated studio with wooden beams.



### FESTIVE WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP



Create your own beautiful seasonal wreath in our cosy outdoor barn. Heaters will keep the space warm and comfortable.



### SEASONAL NOURISHING LUNCH



A delicious seasonal platter served in the farmhouse kitchen beside crackling wood-burning fires.



### SOUND BOWL RELAXATION



We'll end the day with a deeply restorative sound bowl session to leave you feeling calm, refreshed and ready for the festive season.



### INCLUDED 30-MINUTE TREATMENT



Choose from a selection of massage and beauty therapies to relax, unwind and feel completely refreshed.

*Details shared closer to the date.*



### RETREAT TIMINGS

Arrival from 10:00am  
Retreat concludes at approximately 6:00pm



EARLY BIRD PRICE

£240

PER PERSON

UNTIL 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2026

AFTER 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST  
£260 PER PERSON



A £55 DEPOSIT  
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FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK

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*With love,  
Sara & Sophia x* ♥

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NEXT SEASON



**YEAR 10 / U15'S GIRLS**



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If you're interested in receiving online tutoring, please contact me on the email below. That includes students transitioning from GCSE to A-Level looking for support over the Summer!

Email: [harryplowright@icloud.com](mailto:harryplowright@icloud.com)

Session rate: £30