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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER



This week we celebrated International Women's Day through our assemblies and our 6th Form Girls Club carried out a bake sale for our local charity Bexley Women's Aid. As you can imagine the cake sale went down well with our students and they managed to raise over £161.00 for the charity. We also held an 'Own Clothes Day' on Tuesday which also raised a £1,800.66 and will be split between Bexley Women's Aid and our Parents Association.

I am proud that our students have a sense of community spirit and want to help others. Within this VIP you will see another charity fundraiser from our Wellbeing Champions in Year 10, who raised over £700 for Young Minds charity through a competition in Key Stage 3. Thank you to those students and parents who helped raise these important funds.

British Science Week commences today until the 21st March 2022. The Science and Careers Departments have some exciting events and activities for the students which we look forward to sharing with you in next week's VIP.



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Don't forget to book your tickets to see our school production, *The Wizard of Oz*, which is running next week: Thursday 17th March at 7pm, Friday 18th March at 7pm and Saturday 19th March at 1pm.



Beths Grammar School event tickets from TicketSource. Still on the musical theme, a date for your diary – Tuesday 29th March 2022, 6:30pm, is when our Spring Concert will take place.

Have a great weekend
R. J. Blyghton



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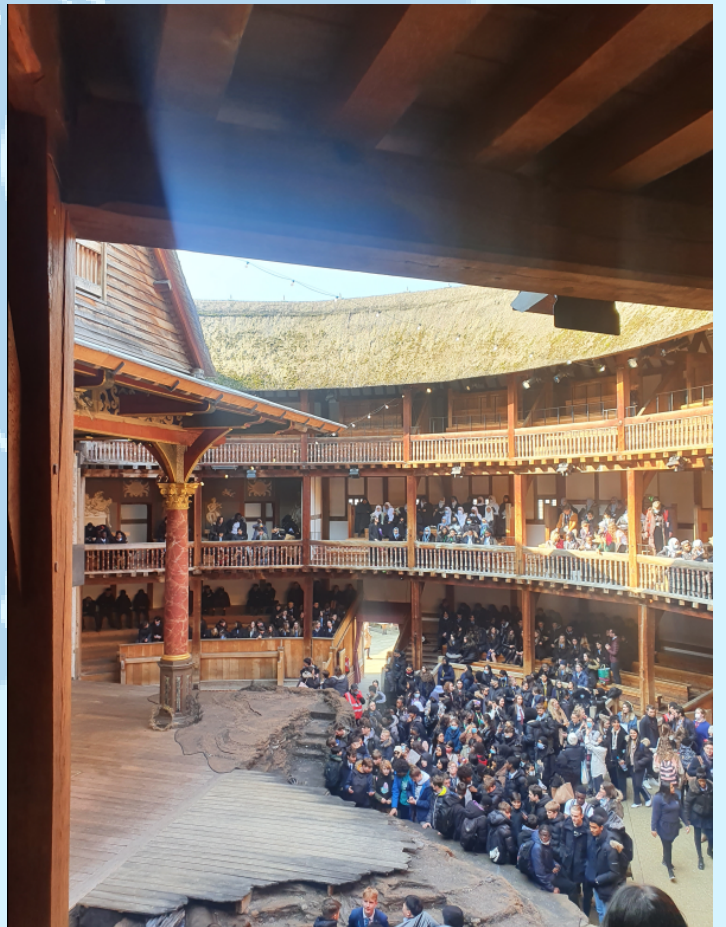
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YEAR 10 TRIP TO MACBETH

Some of our Year 10 students had the amazing opportunity to see Macbeth at Shakespeare's Globe!



ETHICS CUP AT KING'S COLLEGE

Debating in Beths continues to grow as a team from Year 12 entered the Ethics Cup this year. Hosted by King's College our team of philosophers battled it out with other top schools from London. Despite not progressing to the finals the team can be proud of their scores achieving a higher total than some of London's top fee paying schools. Good effort people!



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YOUNG MINDS CHARITY

Over the course of 6 months, the Wellbeing Champions in 10E organised a charity fundraiser event for the Young Minds charity, raising over £700 in total. This event involved students filling a recyclable plastic water bottle with coins in return for commendations. This event was exclusive to those in KS3 with a competition running between the separate year groups to see who could raise the most. In Year 7, Abbey won by a small margin, in Year 8 Wickham won and in Year 9, Wickham also won. The event raised over £600 as well as an extra £100 from Ms Takeda's Christmas card sale.



- By
George
10E



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YOUNG MINDS CHARITY

The bottle charity fundraiser was organised by George in 10E, who is a new member of the Wellbeing Champions, joining only at the end of last year. George was motivated to start a fundraiser event as he wanted to raise awareness not only for the Wellbeing Champions and the services they supply, but more importantly the whole topic of mental health. George states "I feel that the term mental health is overlooked and not many understand the true meaning and effect it can have on yourself and those around you." George also said that it his duty to raise awareness and goes on to say students can expect to see more events hosted by the Wellbeing Champions in the coming weeks.



- By Ms Takeda



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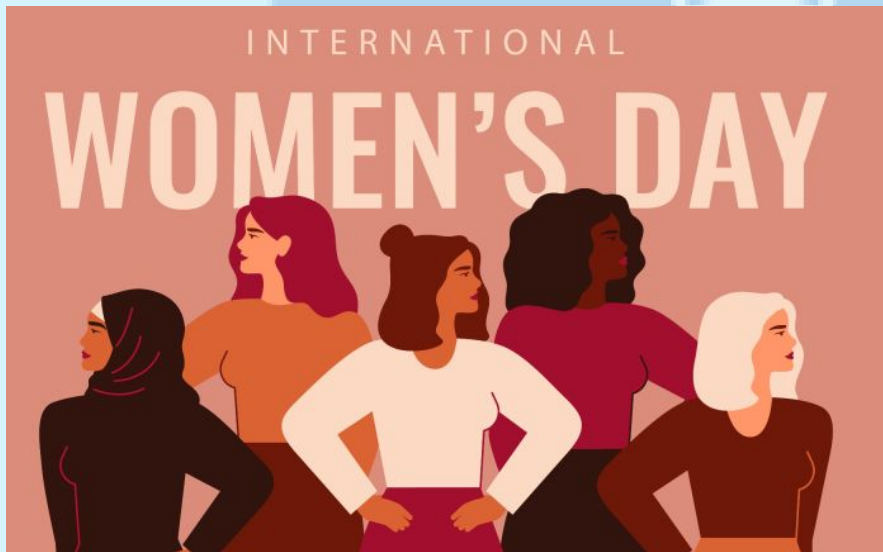
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INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY

Happy International Women's Day! The theme this year is #BreakTheBias. At Beths, one of the ways we are celebrating is with an own clothes day. From the event we raised a whopping £1,800.66. The money that was raised will be split between Bexley Women's Aid and Beths Parents Association.



£1,800.66



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INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY

As part of International Women's day celebrations, the girls club ran a sixth form bake sale and raised £161.62 for Bexley Women's Aid.



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CHINESE EXPERIENCE CLUB

During KS3 Chinese Experience Club, students have participated in a range of activities over the last couple of weeks including Chinese Chess and Panda Foam Clay. Next week (14th March) will be about Kongming Lock which is a traditional Chinese puzzle.



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YEAR 7 LATIN FORUM

WHEN: EVERY THURSDAY (STARTING 28TH APRIL)

TIME: 3.20-4.15PM

WHERE: S15

5 WEEKS ONLY

LATIN FORUM

An exclusive 5-week
workshop for Year 7

Did you know that you can take
Latin as a **second language** in
Year 8?

Come along to the Latin Forum to get
a taster of **Latin**, explore the **myths**
behind Percy Jackson, debate whether
the **Romans** or the **Greeks** were
superior and much more, all through **fun**
and games!

EMAIL MS HARRIS FOR MORE INFORMATION



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BETHS SCIENCE WEEK PROGRAMME

11-20 March
British
Science
Week
2022



Our Science and Careers Departments have thrown themselves into planning a week of exciting events and activities to celebrate British Science Week for almost all year groups. We look forward to showing you next week some of those activities.

Year 7

- Poster competition around the theme of growth
- Making slime

Year 8

- Constructing marshmallow and spaghetti towers
- Hands on scientific methods workshop

Year 9

- Engineering and careers talk by Katie's Cranes
- Making pizza box solar lamps

Year 10

- Workshop focused on lactose intolerance
- Constructing jelly baby and spaghetti towers
- Alchemy workshop turning copper into silver
- Making bouncy balls

Year 12

- Talk about life learnings from DNA
- Career pathways and research in chemistry talk
- Careers in engineering talks

Years 12 and 13

- Dr Salem, Head of Chemistry will be discussing his research and PhD.



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SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Beths Grammar School Presents

The Wizard of Oz

(RSC VERSION)

17th March & 18th
March - 7pm start

19th March
1pm start



Tickets
£8 Adult

£5 Child and Concession
production@beths.bexley.sch.uk

Tickets are now available and can be bought through <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/Beths-Grammar-School>. Tickets are limited and will sell out quickly so make sure you purchase your tickets today!



SCHOOL PRODUCTION BEHIND THE SCENES

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SPRING CONCERT

Beths Grammar School

Spring Concert

29th March 2022

6:30pm



Tickets are
available on
the door or at

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

There are a range of activities/ clubs on offer for students. These activities run before school, lunch time, and after school. Below is a list of all activities currently offered. Please speak to the member of staff listed below if you would like more information.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Before school 8 – 8.30am	KS3 Basketball	KS3 Basketball	KS3 Basketball	KS4 Basketball	KS4 Basketball
Lunch time KS3 12.00 – 13.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 9 Basketball (Mr Temple) Chess club – Week 1- All key stages in A2, Week 2: KS3 Online (Mr Runacres) Chinese Experience Club – S18 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 10 and 11 Basketball, Coding Club, Memrise Club, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 8 Basketball ALL (Mr Webb) ODD WEEK Year 7 Rugby (Mr G.S + Mr Smith) Eco – Club (KS3) – A4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS3 Badminton (Mr Temple) KS3 Drama – P3 (Ms Grady) Year 7 and 8 robotics club – A6 (Mr Morgan) Year 8 Design Technology club – A8/A9 (Mr Knott) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 Basketball (Mr G.S + Mr Smith) Year 8 Football – Team Training (Mr Webb) ODD WEEK ONLY KS3 LGBTQ+ Society – (S16/S17)
KS4 and KS5 12.50 – 13.50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 10 Basketball (Mr Smith) Chess Club - Week 2 KS4 and KS5, A2. (Mr Runacres) Beths Bar Year 7 and 8 Robotics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 8 and 9 Basketball, School Production Rehearsals – P3, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sixth form: Football, Rugby, Basketball, Netball (Ms Deane/Ms Ewing) Eco-club: KS4/5 –A7A (Geography department) Music KS4 Revision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls Fitness Sports Hall (Ms Ewing) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sixth form Basketball (Team) KS4 Badminton LGBTQ+ Society – S15 (Ms Harris) KS5 Music Revision
After school 3.20 – 4.45pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rugby Training Years 7 – 10 KS3 Badminton (Mr Healy) School Production Song writing Club, Computing Year 11 and 13 revisions, KS4 Robotics Club – A6 Song Writing Club – P2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 8 Basketball – Team Training (Mr Webb) School Production Orchestra 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warhammer Club, S1 (Mr Turnbull) Year 8 and 9 Basketball 6th form band (session 3 in P2, 2-3pm) Piano orchestra Anime Piano Club – P2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS3 Football (ALL) KS4 Basketball Year 7 STEM club -S12 (Mrs Sarkar) Choir (all staff and students invited) – P12 (Ms Marriot) KS3 Violin Club, Beths Singers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Big Band Rehearsals Year 7 Basketball

The full list of clubs and activities can be found on the school's website

<https://www.beths.bexley.sch.uk/page/?title=Extra+Curricular+Activities&pid=50>



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EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

A range of new music clubs have been added to the extra curricular clubs list.

Club	Description	Time/place	Year group
Song Writing Club	If you write rap lyrics, songs or poetry, this club is for you!	Mondays After school in P2 3.30pm	All year groups welcome
Sixth Form Band	I am looking for a band (drums, bass, rhythm guitar, keys and vocals) to perform an original song written by Perfect, Esther (13.3)	Wednesday Session 3 in P2 2-3pm	Sixth Form only
Anime Piano Club	We will be learning well-known anime tunes on the keyboard.	Wednesdays After school in P2 3.30pm	KS3
Composing for video games	Learn how to compose your own music for your favourite video game!	Thursdays During form time in P1 8.30am	KS3



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RESULTS AND FIXTURES

Results for week commencing 7th March:

FOOTBALL					
07.03.22	KS3 North Kent Comp	U13B	V St Columba's Boys School	Home	Won 2 - 1
09.03.22	League	2 nd XI	V North Kent College	Home	Won 7 - 1
BASKETBALL					
08.03.22	Jr NBA	U12A	V Harris Garrard V Strood Academy	Home	Postponed
09.03.22	Kent Basketball QF	U14A	V Hayes	Home	Won 60 - 57
10.03.22	Kent Basketball QF	U12A	V Northfleet Technology College	Home	Won 54 - 11

Fixtures for week commencing 14th March:

FOOTBALL					
11.03.22	KS3 North Kent Comp	U12A	V Harris Garrard	Away	KO 2:30pm
BASKETBALL					
14.03.22	Kent Basketball	U13A	V Raven Wood School	Home	Tip off 3pm
15.03.22	Kent Basketball	U16A	V Bexley Grammar	Home	Tip Off 3:45pm
16.03.22	Kent Basketball	U18A	V Hayes School	Home	Tip Off 2pm
17.03.22	Kent Basketball	U15A	V Bexley Grammar	Home	Tip Off 4pm
Rugby					
18.03.22	South London Super 10s	1 st XV	V Roebucks Rugby Academy	Away @ Charlton Rugby Club	KO 6:45pm

*Please note that some matches may be cancelled/postponed and therefore we ask you to keep an eye on the SOCS website.

Beths Grammar School | Sports Home (bethssport.co.uk)



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SPORTS BULLETIN

Highlights of the various games our students played over the past week. Well done for all your hard work and dedication, you've done us all proud!

Please see link to the video highlights:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iXCNGpYYdEQ>



Link to full sports bulletin for 7th March to 11th March <https://www.beths.bexley.sch.uk/page/?title=Sports+Bulletin&pid=393>

BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION:

- 1. Latest Parents Associations' latest events**
Bring in your Coins Collection of old foreign currency every Wednesday @PSHE



- 2. The countries where your coins are coming from will be showcased on Beths' giant map, please share your stories!**

After hearing about Dominik's initiatives, WaterAid wrote on Beths' Instagram page:

“Hi Dominik, that's an excellent idea you had. It's such a lovely and unique way of fundraising and supporting our work at WaterAid. Thank you! You really will be changing lives by bringing the gift of clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene to communities living without these basic human rights. You should be proud of your hard work and this excellent initiative. Well done and keep up the good work. Aminur at The WaterAid Team”

Dominik's initiative to support this fantastic fundraising idea has inspired many other students! THANK YOU all for your great involvement



Beths Parents Association and Beths PSHCE department invite you to bring in any old foreign coins and notes

Why not clear out those old foreign coins and bank notes lying about by donating them to the school? The funds will be split 50/50 between the school and Wateraid. You must ask permission from parents before donating. Any donations should be brought into school on a Wednesday and taken to Mr O'Regan's office during PSHCE



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BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION:

Coming soon: 4th Online Chess Tournaments...

Beths Parents' Association next Online Chess Tournament will help to raise funds for the school's Chess Clubs!!!! Please donate your Chess Board Games

With our 3Rs scheme, the PA is launching a new idea link to its 3 Rs scheme "Reuse, Reduce, Recycle" by asking for donations of any used or non-used chess kit for the students at the school's Chess club.

If you have a Chess Board Game at home that you are not using anymore, could you please give them a new life by kindly donating them for our students.

THANK YOU for your continuous support.



Our virtual Nearly New PTA Uniform Shop is now fully open! We are asking for any donations of nearly new blazers and unembroidered PE kit. If you have any of the specified school uniform items that your son has grown out of, please do consider donating it to our PTA Uniform Shop. Simply drop them off at the School Reception.

We are aiming to sell these items for you to purchase once we have received donations and can provide an inventory. If you require any items, please email the PTA via

beths.parents.association@gmail.com.

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BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION:



Before half-term, Beths PA have been busy shooting a video to share its enthusiasm and motivation to make a difference by helping the school to provide wider opportunities to our children... please watch out for our video!

Generating donations and it doesn't cost you anything!



If you shop elsewhere online, please join Easyfundraising. It costs nothing to you and Beths PA will automatically receive a donation. You can sign up at www.easyfundraising.org.uk/BethsPA and we will receive a donation anytime you shop. **If you are eligible, please also give gift aid to maximise the donation.**



The other exciting projects chosen by parents with the aim to raising £10, 000 which can be increased by 25% with Giftaid

- Radio Beths – £5, 000 donate here <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/17268>
- Musical instruments – £2, 000 donate here <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/17270>
- Lighting for drama – £1, 000 donate here <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/17269>

£2,015 has already been raised! THANK YOU!
Every £ help us to get closer to our target goal.



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BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION:

Friends and Sponsors of Beths Parents Associations

We would like to say a special THANK YOU to our sponsors and William Jones who have generously donated towards our three editions of Beths Parents Association Online Chess Tournament, with cash functions and prizes for the winners.



Why not become a Sponsor by donating and having your business logo published on our pages! Please contact us for more details:
beths.parents.association@gmail.com THANK YOU!

Important dates

- Every Wednesday: Bring your Coins Collection @ PSHE
- PA – Refreshments available on School Production events: Thursday 17th and Friday 18th March from 6.30pm and Saturday 19th March from 12.30pm



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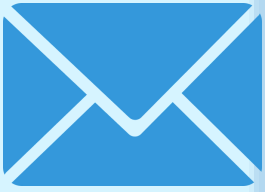
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BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION:



Next meeting: on Tuesday 19th April 2021 @
7.30pm - Zoom

Please keep checking on our website and social media pages
for upcoming events



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