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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents, Carers,



We've certainly been blessed with the weather this week. As the temperature looks to stay in the mid 20s, please ensure your son/daughter has plenty of water with them to keep hydrated. We have water points where bottles can be refilled. Please also ensure they apply sun cream before school.

Our students are on the summer uniform now, where they don't have to wear their blazers but must wear their ties. If the weather changes, they are to put their blazer back on and not jumpers or hoodies.

Yesterday we had our Sports Day event at Erith Athletics Stadium. Students were well behaved and displayed great camaraderie for their peers. There are some pictures on our Social Media accounts and I'm sure the VIP next week will display some great photos too.

The house winners are as follows, congratulations to Wickham house and to all the students that participated in a very hot day!

Wickham	704
Cray	640
Brampton	599
Eardley	586
Hurst	586
Abbey	500

Next week sees the end of the public examinations, our students have displayed great resilience to their exams. We look forward to sharing their results with them on results day in the summer.

Have a wonderful weekend,
Richard Blyghton



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KS3 ECO CLUB

ECOBYTES- WORLD OCEAN DAY

On June the 8th the world partook in an event that shook the very foundations of this very earth-World Ocean Day.

What is World Ocean Day?

World Ocean Day is a day to inform us about the impacts of what we humans are doing to harm the oceans such as throwing plastic in the ocean. This day helps us to understand about what we should start doing to save the ocean and prevent climate change.

Why should we save the oceans?

Oceans are life savers. Oceans produce over half of the Earth's oxygen is produced from the oceans. In addition, the oceans absorb 50 times more carbon dioxide than the atmosphere. Furthermore, many people eat fish in their daily lives. However, harming the ocean with our rubbish could kill off the fish and sea creatures in the sea. The ocean contains many sea creatures such as turtles, whales, dolphins and many more. Many animals are going to become extinct such as vaquita, whale sharks, river dolphins and blue whales. To help them, we need to take action.



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KS3 ECOBYTES- WORLD OCEAN DAY

What can we do to take action?

To take action, you can go to <https://worldoceanday.org>. You can find out facts and donate. Also, we should use less water so wastewater will not flow into the oceans. We should reduce the use of nontoxic chemicals and clean products properly. We should reduce waste and buy less plastic and use reusable bags. We should use efficient vehicles like scooters or bikes.

In the end we should save the oceans as they are some things that keep us alive and prevent floods and keep carbon dioxide out of the oceans. We should use less plastic and do many other things to save our oceans.



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GENDER EQUALITY SOCIETY

On Monday 13th June, we were lucky enough to have Charlotte Miller, who works in recruitment, come in to the Gender Equality Society to speak to us about the world of work. She shared invaluable information with us about what to and what not to do when writing a CV and cover letter, how to approach and prepare for interviews and how to behave in the workplace. She also spoke about the importance of making appropriate and informed decisions with regards to careers rather than simply hoping for everything to fall into place entirely by itself. The GES all greatly enjoyed the time that we had speaking to her and have taken on all of the information she shared with us.

By Demi, Year 12



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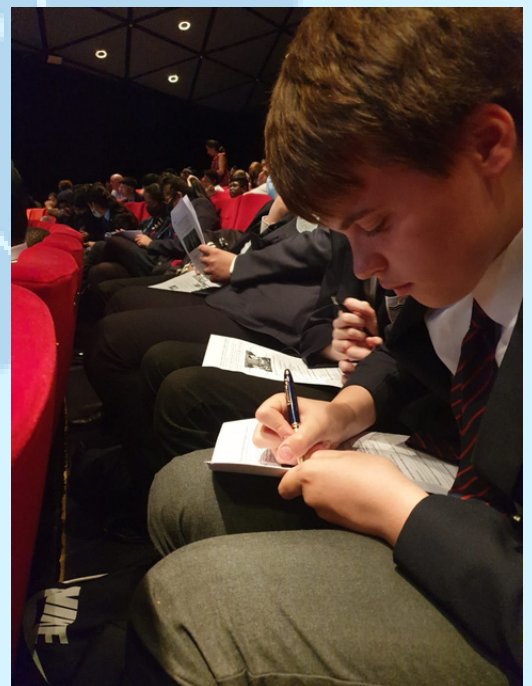


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YEAR 9 BFI SPANISH

On Friday 10th June, 50 year 9 students joined MFL staff on a trip to London, to explore how they could improve their Spanish by watching films. Beths students were able to explore cortometrajes (short films) and create and perform dialogues, including on stage in front of a crowd of around 400, before settling in to watch a film. Year 9 student Riley shares his experience below:

Last Friday, year 9 Spanish group went on a school trip to the British Film Institute on the Southbank in London. In the morning, we went to the Southbank by train, and upon entry to the auditorium, we were handed a task booklet. We watched some short film clips in Spanish and answered questions in the booklets related to these. Then, people from all schools had the opportunity to share responses with the rest of the students.



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All the tasks were aimed at building on our Spanish knowledge and introducing new phrases and vocabulary to describe the films. There was also a task in which two representatives from each school went up on stage and performed their dialogue in Spanish.

After a break for lunch and some pictures, we returned to the auditorium to watch a film in Spanish. The film was called Atlético San Pancho. It is set in Mexico and follows a small football team of children who aim to restore the popularity of football in the area they live.

Overall, we had a great time and benefitted from the new Spanish vocabulary we had learned from the educational clips and the Spanish film.

- By Riley, Year 9



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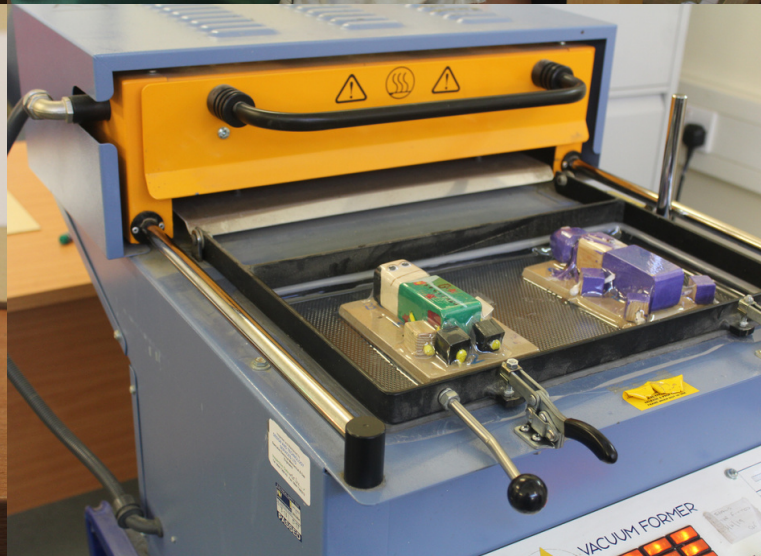
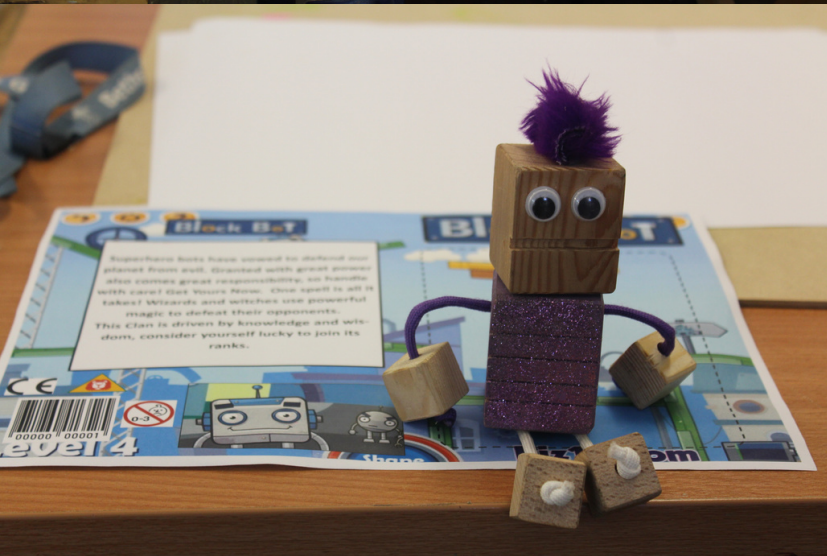
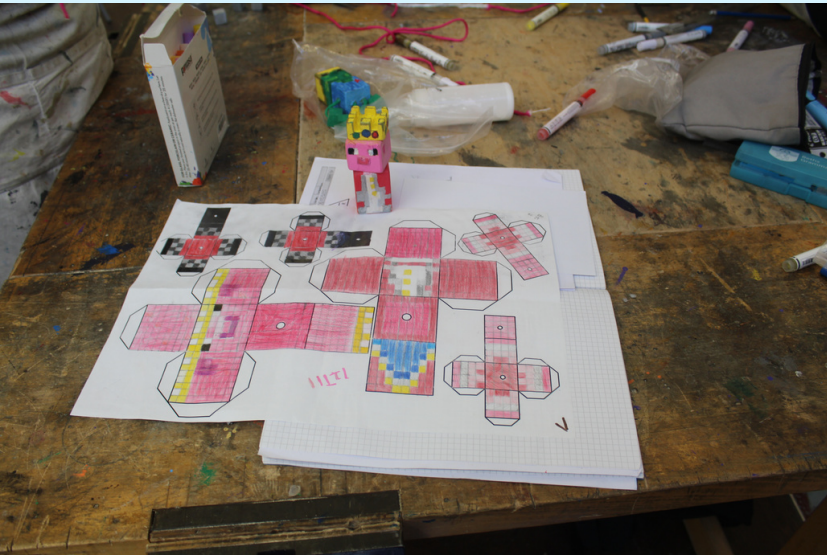
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YEAR 8 DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Year 9 Design and Technology students are in the process of designing, creating and packaging their own Block Bots.



SUMMER ART EXHIBITION 2022

We will be holding a Summer Art Exhibition filled with many wonderful pieces from various year groups on Saturday 25th June at Gallery 32. Please pop along to see many exciting pieces from our students!



Beths Grammar School Summer Art Exhibition
Saturday 25th June 2022. 10am - 4pm
Gallery 32, Manor Way, Bexley. DA5 3QG
(Next to Bexley Cricket Club). Free Admission



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BEXLEY ECO FESTIVAL

FREE

BEXLEY **ECO FESTIVAL 2022**

WELL-BEING • ENVIRONMENT

SATURDAY 25 JUNE 2022
11AM-4PM

**THE NEST, CYGNET SQUARE, SE2 9FA,
THE MUGA SPORTS AREA, SE2 9TN
& THE ATRIUM COMMUNITY CENTRE
& GARDENS IN THAMESMEAD, DA18 4DG**



11am kick off with **FREE** demo and taster of
Zero-Waste Brunch with Kitche and OLIO, with Chef Dan.
Formerly a private Chef, Dan went on to become
Head Food Champion at Recipease by Jamie Oliver!

Over 50 stalls including food vendors, workshops,
FREE food tasters, smoothie bikes, entertainment
and activities throughout the day!

A family fun day out for all.

This event is
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FREE BIKE LESSONS



Free Bikeability Cycle Training this Summer Holidays

Is your child ready to cycle on busier roads, maybe to get to school or leisure activities? Then sign them up on one of our FREE Level 2 cycling courses being run during the Summer Holidays (July 28th to September 2nd 2022).

The courses are for one day only each. Limited places available email: roadsafetyeducation@bexley.gov.uk

Children must be 10 years old and above to apply. They should be able to ride a bike. The course will be held at Bexley Grammar School. 9.30 to 2.30 (latest depending on numbers attending) for one day.

Please bring your own working bike, helmet, suitable clothing, and lunch.



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KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE ONLINE

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

LONELINESS ONLINE: What Causes It and Ways to Feel Better

Have you ever been online and felt a little bit lonely?
In a recent study, 14% of 10-12-year-olds said they often felt lonely, so you're not the only one who sometimes feels that way. We spoke to a group of children and teenagers, who they told us some of the things that make them feel isolated when they're online.

CAUSES OF LONELINESS ONLINE

-  Seeing photos or videos of friends having fun without me
-  Being excluded from group chats or games with friends
-  Friends or family not replying to texts or answering my calls
-  People being unkind to me online
-  When friends leave my group chat

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

So if these things happen to you and you start to feel down, what can you do? The same young people also told us how they make themselves feel less lonely when they're online – and we've collected some of their advice to share with you.

- Tell a friend or a trusted adult that you feel lonely
- Watch funny videos of cats and pandas
- Watch yoga videos and do some exercises
- Play single-player games you enjoy
- Listen to happy music
- Listen to your favourite audiobooks
- Send nice messages to your friends and family
- Play games with friends who you trust, if they're online too

TAKE A BREAK

Sometimes the best thing you can do is to take a break from technology and do something offline that makes you feel happy.

Here's what our group suggested!




- Paint or draw pictures
- Play with a pet
- Write about your feelings
- Hang out with your family
- Get outdoors & enjoy nature

FURTHER SUPPORT

Remember, it's normal to feel a bit lonely sometimes – but if it's really upsetting you, and you have no-one to talk to, you can call Childline for free on

0800 1111

 **National Online Safety**
#WakeUpWednesday

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SPORT RESULTS AND FIXTURES

Results for week commencing 13th June

FOOTBALL					
15.06.22	KS4 North Kent Comp Finals	U15A	V King Henry	Away	Won 1 -3



Fixtures for week commencing 20th June:

CRICKET					
17.06.22	Kent Cup	U12A	V Maidstone Grammar	Away	Start time 2:20pm
20.06.22	Area Cup	U14A	V Chis and Sid Grammar School	Away	Start time 4pm
21.06.22	Area Cup	U14A	V Bexley Grammar School	Away	Start time TBC
23.06.22	Area Cup	U13A	V Bexley Grammar	Away	Start time 3:30pm
23.06.22	Area Cup	U15A	V Hurstmere Foundation School for Boys	Home	Start time 3:30pm



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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 KS3 Composition club Composing for Video Games	KS4 Basketball
Lunch time KS3 12.00 – 13.00	Year 7 and 8 Robotics club- A6, Year 9 Basketball (Mr Temple), KS3 Chess Club – A2,	Year 10 and 11 Coding Club, Memrise club, KS3 Chinese Experience Club - S18,	Year 8 Basketball ALL (Mr Webb) ODD WEEK, Year 7 Rugby (Mr G.S + Mr Smith), KS3 Eco – Club – A4,	KS3 Badminton (Mr Temple), KS3 Drama (2:15-1:45) – P3 (Ms Grady), KS3 Design and technology club,	Year 7 Basketball (Mr G.S + Mr Smith), Year 8 Football – Team Training (Mr Webb) ODD WEEK ONLY, KS3 LGBTQ+ Club (S16/S17),
KS4 KS5 12.50 – 13.50	Year 10 Basketball (Mr Smith), Beths Bar (KS4 and KS5), KS4 & KS5 Chess Club, KS5 Gender Equality Group,	Year 10 and 11 Basketball, KS5 Maths Olympiad Club- B12,	Elective in French (ODD week), Elective in Spanish (ODD week), Music KS4 revision, KS4 Eco-club – A7A, Sixth form: Football, Rugby, Basketball, Netball	Girls Fitness - Sports Hall, Year 10 Debate Club - B4,	Sixth form Basketball (Team), KS4 and KS5 LGBTQ+ Club, KS5 Music Revision,
After school 3.20 – 4.45pm	Rugby Training Year 7-9, KS3 Badminton, Song writing club P2, Computing Year 11 and Year 13 revision, KS4 Robotics club- A6,	Year 8 and 9 Basketball Orchestra	Year 7 Japanese Club - S17, Year 8 and 9 Basketball, 6th Form Band (Session 3 in P2, 2-3pm), Piano Orchestra, Anime Piano Club - P2, Warhammer Club - S1,	KS3 Football (ALL) Year 7 STEM Club - S12 KS3 Violin Club, KS4 Basketball, Student and Staff Choir - P1 (Ms Marriott), Beths Singers,	Robotics club (open to all) – A6, Year 7 and 8 Basketball, Big Band rehearsals, KS5 Maths Olympiad Club- B12,

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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BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION:

1. Latest Parents' Association events

Beths PA is planning next academic year, why not get involved and help much needed funds to improve our children's learning experience?




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Thank you to all families who are generously supporting our fundraising activities

Reuse, Reduce, Recycle Scheme: PA's new 3Rs scheme

Coming soon... Second-hand Uniform Sales: We are asking for any donations of nearly new blazers and unembroidered PE kit. Please do consider donating to our PA Uniform Shop. Simply drop them off at the School Reception! We are selling these items, please email the PA via beths.parents.association@gmail.com.



BETHS PA NEARLY NEW UNIFORM SHOP



Price List:	
Blazers	£10
Trousers	£3
Jumpers	£3
PE Shorts	£3
Tracksuit Bottoms	£5
Tracksuit Top	£5
Long sleeve Games top	£5
Short Sleeve Games top	£5
House colour PE top	£5
White shirts	£3 New £5
House Tie	£1

Uniform Donations are very welcome.

Please contact for donations and purchases:
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BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION:

2. PA's exciting fundraising campaigns

Lighting for drama



The new lights which the Drama department is requesting are state-of-the-art remote-controlled lights which vary in colour and will provide an even better experience for future theatrical productions.

Our target of £1,000 should not take too long to reach so please kindly donate via this QR code anytime from now on or by following this link: <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/17269>

Foreign Coins Collection: the counting and weighing on Wednesday 20th April

We have collected 21kg of foreign coins (to be sent off and cashed in), plus 175 Euros, 49 USA dollars plus lots of other notes to convert into £s.

We'll keep you posted on the final total raised!

THANK YOU for your continuous support.



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BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION:

Raise money for these thrilling projects and Giftaid it!

Nowadays, most of us are shopping online! Help us raise more funds while you do your shopping!

1. Please go to smile.amazon.co.uk and search for Beths Parents' Association. You need to start each of your shopping sessions at the URL smile.amazon.co.uk.



2. If you shop elsewhere online, please join Easyfundraising. Again, 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.



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

Over £3,200 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:
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THANK YOU!

Important dates



Next meeting: on Tuesday 14th June 2021 @ 7.30pm - Zoom

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



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