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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER



I would like to welcome everybody to the new Autumn Term. I hope you have had a great summer and are ready for the challenges of the academic year ahead.

The GCSE and A Level results were the School's best ever and proved what fantastic students we have here at the school. I am looking forward to what our current Year 11 and Year 13 have to offer in the coming months and expect them to continue our very successful trend.

At the end of the first full week, we concluded the LFD Testing required by the Government for each student and I am very grateful to our Admin and Support Staff who took on this onerous task with an extremely professional attitude and patience. Thank you very much for keeping the School safe.

This week, we concluded the 11+ plus selection tests where some 1200 children visited the school over the three days. I am very grateful to all the staff who were involved and I am appreciative of the intricate plans to move a large number of vehicles about on very narrow roads before and after the tests. Virtually all of our neighbours understood what we were trying to achieve and understood our intent. The results of the tests will be made available in early October before the beginning of our open mornings.

That is it from me at the moment and I hope over the coming weeks to be discussing key calendared items and introduce The Beths Scholar to you.

Many thanks
Richard Blyghton.

COVID TESTING

Students are encouraged to test at least twice a week and record the results on the school's test register website via the email sent to you, in line with government guidelines.

HM Government

NHS
Test and Trace

Rapid Covid-19 testing twice a week will help us stay ahead of the virus

Report your test result each time, whether it's positive, negative or void.

Test at home, report online and keep life moving.

GET YOUR TESTS FROM SCHOOL OR COLLEGE

www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result



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YEAR 7 WELCOME DAYS



On the 1st-2nd September, the Year 7s embarked on a range of fun activities to get to know the school, their classmates and their teachers. Across the two days a range of activities including ice breakers, first aid training, form group photos, rugby coaching and a talk about gangs and firearms from Met police took place.

CONSIDERATE PARKING IN OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD



Please can we ask that if you are dropping off or collecting your child, that you do not park across our neighbours driveways, and are courteous of the roads surrounding the school and other road users.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Year 7, 9, 10 and 12 had their photo taken on Friday 10th September and students were all sent home with a QR code which will allow parents to view and purchase these photos online.



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PE KITS

Students can come into school wearing their Beths PE kit on the days when they have PE/Games for this term. This will be reviewed as the weather changes.

For students attending lunchtime or afterschool games clubs, they should come to school in their full uniform and change into their PE kits for these clubs.



RESULTS AND FIXTURES

Results:

RUGBY					
11.09.2021	Friendly	U12A	v Colfes School	Home	Lost 5-35
	Friendly	U12B	v Colfes School	Home	Lost 5-70
	Friendly	U13A	v Reigate Grammar A @Colfes School	Away	Lost 15-35
	Friendly	U13A	v Reigate Grammar School B @ Colfes School	Away	Won 40-0
	Friendly	U14	v Colfes School	Away	Lost 25-50
	Friendly	U15	v Colfes School	Home	Lost 5-20
15.09.2021	U18 School Vase	1 st XV	v Sutton Vallance	Home	Lost 69-3
FOOTBALL					
15.09.2021	NK Premier League	1 st XI	v Bexley Grammar School	Away	Drew 2-2
	NK 2 nd Division	2 nd XI	V Langley Park	Home	Won 7-1
17.09.2021	Friendly	U13	v St Pauls Academy	Away	Won 6-1

Fixtures:

RUGBY					
18.09.2021	U15 School Vase	U15	v Gravesend Grammar for Boys	Away	
	Friendly	U13	v Gravesend Grammar for Boys	Home	
22.09.2021	Friendly	1 st XV	v Colfes	Home	
BASKETBALL					
21.09.2021	Friendly	U13	v Sevenoaks School	Away	
FOOTBALL					
22.09.2021	NK Premier League	1 st XI	v Christ the King	Home	
	NK 2 nd Division	2 nd XI	v Farringtons	Home	

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

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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
Lunch time KS3 12.00 – 13.00	Year 9 Basketball (Mr Temple)		Year 8 Basketball ALL (Mr Webb) Year 7 Rugby (Mr G.S)	KS3 Table Tennis (Mr Temple)	Year 7 Basketball (Mr G.S) Year 8 Football – Team Training (Mr Webb)
KS4 12.50 – 13.50	KS4 Basketball (Mr Smith)		<u>Sixth form:</u> Football Rugby Basketball Netball (Ms Deane/Ms Ewing)	Girls Fitness Sports Hall (Ms Ewing)	
After school 3.20 – 4.45pm	Rugby Training Years 7 – 10 KS3 Badminton (Mr Healy)	Year 8 Basketball – Team Training (Mr Webb)	<u>NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS</u>	KS3 Football (ALL)	



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WIZARD OF OZ AUDITIONS

Beths Grammar School Presents

The Wizard of Oz!



**Vocal and Acting Workshops – 20th September
and 21st September (you only need to attend one)**

Auditions – 27th and 28th September

3:45pm in P3

See Ms Grady or Ms Marriott for more information



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MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK:

We have two Musicians of the Week: Owen W and Saskia H both from Year 13.

Here is a really excellent video of them performing David Bowie's "Life on Mars" which was created by the talented Owen, who has performed all of the instrumental parts and Saskia is featured on the vocal.

Link to video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zy9KDXfykJU>



Any student who would like to be featured in the Beths 'Musician of the Week', whether it be a group or solo performance or a composition, please send your entries to Ms Marriott.



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BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION:

1. Latest Parents Associations' events
2. How much we need to raise?
3. What are raising money for?
4. Simple and quick ways to donate

We want to thank everyone that has supported Beths Parents association this year and welcome all new families in our school community!

Beths Parents Association aims to raise funds and improve the learning environment for our children. Last year we raised £ 1, 344! To simplify the way you can donate, we have set up an annual campaign with a donation link to raise funds for our fantastic projects. By clicking on the link, you could promote your favourite project and help us reach our goals!

1. Latest Parents Associations' Events

We have been busy this summer planning for our new academic year full of new fundraising activities! Please stay tuned as all information will be published shortly!

Coming soon: Online Chess Tournament:
Second Online Chess
Tournament:

**Friday 1st October
2021, 7.30-9pm**

*Save
THE
Date*

Registration will open
soon!



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BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION:

Reuse, Reduce, Recycle Scheme:

Collection of old foreign currency notes or coins campaign: Our brand new 3Rs scheme

We are collecting old foreign currency, notes, coins or any old currency which are not used anymore. This is an exciting and refreshing event as the whole school will be involved as a house competition.



Start spreading the word !

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 parents 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:

PA's vacancies: Chairperson and Secretary:



We are sad to inform you that our PA Chairperson Adele Swart and Secretary Dele Ojomo are both stepping down from their positions, after serving two terms each in the roles. Consequently, both roles will be vacant and open to

nominations/elections at the next AGM in October 2021. Adele and Dele will remain committee members and will be available to support their successors. These two key positions are vital for running the PA and pursuing our objectives. Details of these vacancies can be found on [Beths Parents Association](#) page within the Beths website.

Thank you to Adele and Dele for their fantastic contribution and work!

2. How much do we need to raise?



Our goal is to raise £10,000 for these fantastic projects:

- Outdoor chess tables-£2,000
- Radio Beths - £5,000
- Musical instruments - £2,000
- Lighting for drama - £1,000
- Among our ambitious future projects, may well include a new mini bus for away PE fixtures!



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3. What are we raising money for?

Outdoor chess tables - £2,000

We have already raised £ 868!!!!

Due to the success of our first online chess tournament, we are organising the next one in October. Thank you to everyone who has donated for this inspiring project. Please donate via

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/16829>



Radio Beths: We aim to raise £5,000!

We are looking to launch another ambitious project: running a school radio at Beths and encourage students to use this media channel to broaden horizons and improve cultural awareness in an inclusive environment. Thank you for helping us ensure Beths students are given the best educational opportunities to develop their creativity and communication skills. Share the NEWS and DONATE HERE!!!!

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/17268>



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Drama lighting: £1,000!

At Beths, our aim is to encourage students to engage in high quality learning experiences.

We would love to provide new lights and special effects in the drama studio. With new lights, we can bring our drama lessons and smaller productions alive.

DONATE HERE!!!!

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/17269>



Musical instruments - £2,000

We are very proud of Beths students who excel in the art of mastering musical instruments. The student musicians have been entertaining the Beths community via live concerts in the past as well as virtual performances during the past year and a half. It is the mission of the

school to afford this opportunity to all students and therefore they require more instruments for equal opportunity for all.

Thank you for investing in this cause by using this link:

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/17270>



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4. Simple and quick ways to donate.

Help us raise funds at no cost for you! It is simple and quick!

1. Generate even MORE funds for Beths Parents Association while doing your shopping

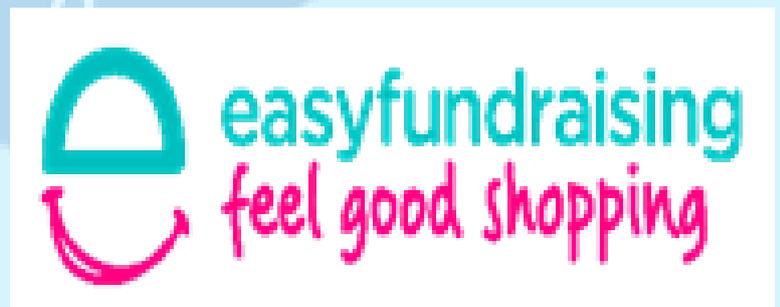
Please go to smile.amazon.co.uk and search for Beths Parents Association. You need to start each of your shopping sessions at the URL smile.amazon.co.uk.



It doesn't cost you anything!

2. Continue generating donations with Easyfundraising

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. If you are eligible, please also give gift aid to maximise the donation.



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3. Match funding scheme: 65% of large companies have a match funding policy

Employers are willing to support their employees in their charitable work by matching pound - for - pound anything employees raise for beneficial causes within certain rules (e.g. only for registered charities, with supporting evidence, up to certain limits per event or per year).

Beths Parents Association is a registered charity, any work parents do to raise money for the school is eligible for fund matching. Parents can claim by checking with their company if they do match funding by either:

1. Company intranet

2. Manager

3. HR department

3. Contact us and we will provide you with a letter evidencing your great involvement in our events with the amount raised.

All your support is appreciated,
every pound will help us to get closer to our target goal



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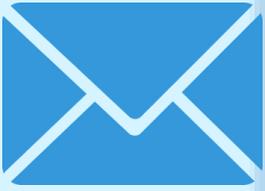
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Next meeting: AGM on Tuesday 12th
October, 2021 at 7pm

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



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