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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Dear Parents, Carers,

With the hot temperatures last week and typical weekend rain, I think we are having our British summer weather now. Please continue to ensure your son/daughter has enough drink with them and to use the water points to refill their bottles.

Our public examinations are all but over now, with just one more GCSE exam on Tuesday.

Well done to all our students, we wish them a well-rested summer and look forward to seeing them on results day.

Following on from the Sports Day event last week, I would like to congratulate our Year 7 and Year 8 Athletics students who won the Bexley Champion Athletics who came 1st in practically all events.

This week, for the first time since 2019, we held a Parents Information Evening for our new Year 7 students who will be starting in September. Next week we will be holding the Year 6 Induction Day, giving the students a taste of life at Beths with the assistance of our House Captains and Year 7 Ambassadors. We will begin to embed the Beths Scholar with our new students ready for September. We will also be running some bookable Taster Sessions for Year 5 students from next week for a couple of weeks. School will be closed on Monday 27th June 2022, for the Queen's Jubilee Day, which was held during our May half term break. We will resume as normal on Tuesday 28th June, when the Year 10 Trial Examinations continue.

This term is always a busy one with so much packed in before the summer break. We will be looking forward to some Enterprise Days in Year 7 and 8 as well as cheering on our 6th Form students at the National Final of the UK Rocket Competition.

If you can spare some time on Saturday 25th June 2022, please do come along to the Beths Summer Art Exhibition which is taking place from 10am-4pm at Gallery 32, Manor Way, Bexley DA5 3QG (next to Bexley Cricket Club). Admission is free and you will see the artistic talents of our students.

Our Summer Concerts will be coming up soon too. Tuesday 5th July 2022, 6pm features Chamber Ensembles Small Groups and Soloists and Tuesday 12th July 2022, 6pm features Beths Big Band, the Orchestra, Chamber Ensembles, Soloists and so much more! Tickets available on the door or via ticketsource.co.uk next week.

> Have a wonderful long weekend, Richard Blyghton







STUDENT SUCCESS

London Youth Games - By Charlie , 9A

This year the London Youth Games Tennis had more entries so we played a Qualifying Day in May at Redbridge Sports Centre. I was really proud to be selected as the Junior Boy for Bexley once again and our team were fantastic, beating Hackney, Haringey and Islington to top our qualifying group.

On 18th June we returned to Redbridge for the Finals Day with the top eight teams competing for the medals. On arrival we were told it would be three knockout rounds which added a bit of pressure as we'd previously been told it would be a round robin qualifier group in the morning.

We headed on to court against Redbridge, last year's silver medalists, and won all four matches sending us in to the semifinals. This was probably going to be our toughest test yet as we knew we now had to play Bromley who have always

done well in this tournament. The senior girl and I played first, both winning and giving our teammates a bit of a cushion. One win from the next two matches was enough to send us into the finals and we got it.









STUDENT SUCCESS

The final against Havering, last years gold medalists, was tough. I had to play a boy who beat me last year in a really close match but, this year, I got the win. Again, it went down to the last two matches with us having a 2-0 lead and we won 3-1... Bexley had gone from bronze medalists last year to bringing home the gold this year!

Our medals and trophy were presented by the Chief Executive of London Youth Games with Havering and Bromley in silver and bronze places respectively. It was a real achievement to be able to bring the trophy back to Bexley for the first time since 1998!

Thanks to Beths for supporting my training for this again as well as my ongoing training. I'm proud to be able to represent Bexley due to being a pupil at Beths and hope to do so again in future years.









MFL JAPANESE TRIP

On 21st June, Year 7 and Year 9 Japanese student had the opportunity to watch a Japanese theatre performance by renowned 'Rakugo' storyteller: Katsura Sunshine. Originally from Canada, Katsura Sunshine lived in Japan for 22 years and studied the art of Rakugo from a master storyteller before embarking on his world-wide career. They were enthralled by the comical stories told in the traditional Japanese style of 'Rakugo'. He is currently performing at Leicester Square Theatre and on Broadway in New York, and gave a special performance for one night only at Dartford Grammar School! So, it was a real treat for our Japanese students to see this performance in action. 'Rakugo' is a traditional form of storytelling, involving humorous monologues - delivered in English with Japanese cultural references. The students also had a opportunity to ask questions following the performance and it was a pleasure to see how engaged they were in finding out more about this ancient Japanese art form.





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MFL JAPANESE TRIP

Student comments:

Vihnson H: I found the Ruguko very exciting! It was entertaining yet incredibly funny as well! I loved the performance!!

Oscar S: I loved the stories and how he exaggerated aspects of the Japanese culture by comparing them to western culture.

Samuel T: He looked very authentic in his kimono and was kneeling in the traditional way for the whole performance!

Felix F:

I loved the way he built up lots of small stories to one big punchline at the end. It was very clever!!









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YEAR 10 MANDARIN EXCELLENCE PROGRAMME

On Thursday 16th June, the Year 10 MEP students attended a day trip to the University of Kent. The day included learning about student life, a tour of the campus, fun activities regarding learning many foreign languages and a competition against local schools in the afternoon! I am honoured to represent Beths to deliver the presentation in Mandarin and display the Mandarin video we made. Due to great support from the audience, we managed to win first place. Overall it was an enjoyable and insightful experience.





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It was a glorious day for Sports Day 2022 as the year 7 & 8 students began to arrive in their numbers. As the staff and Senior Prefects got set up for the day, the students began their mass warm up led by Ms Ewing, which, if not already, got their blood flowing for an exciting day ahead.

The events kicked off at around 9.30am with the year 8's starting in the field, and year 7's on the track. Following an announcement from Mr Hayman, the students made their way to their events with the cheering and encouragement from their forms behind them. Despite the heat, everyone showed a great enthusiasm and energy, which really made for a fantastic atmosphere for the day.

On the track Derek O 7E and Kyros O 8E won their respectable 100m races in outstanding times, with Sean M 7C and Harvey O 8H winning the 200m. With the continued support of the crowed, Ethan D 7E and Daniel F 8H ran brilliantly in the 800m, which were then followed by Ollie A 7C and Leo 8W in the 1500m. As the temperature continued to rise it did make the long distance events challenging, however it was great to see Jack B and the Senior Prefects run alongside the participants for some additional encouragement.







Some noteworthy performances in the throws were Ethan S in 8W winning the year 7 Discus, and Josh T 7A and Raynon R 8H in the Shotput. It was a dominant performance from Brampton in the High Jump, with Fegor A 7B and Oscar E-L 8B both coming out on top, showcasing some excellent Fosbury Flop techniques.

It was a clean sweep for Cray in the Tug of War finals winning both the year 7 and year 8 competitions, and as the morning drew to an end, Eardley finished on a high winning both 4x100m competitions, putting on an excellent display.





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Once the results had been announced and year 7 and 8 had departed, it was quickly time for the year 9 and year 10 competitions to begin. Following several complaints, Mr Beaney had now taken over on the microphone duty, and began directing students towards their first events.

With some brilliant performances and sportsmanship shown, we had Zadaine 9W and David O 10W winning their 100m races, and Jacob 9B and Osbourn 10C winning the 200m. Meanwhile in the field David 9E and Ola 10W were triumphant in the Shotput, adding to their House totals. It was a double for Brampton as Chinaemere in 9B and Aidan 10B won the High Jump with some outstanding jumps, reaching over 1.60m. In the long distance events, Aidan 9W and Alex 10W were successful in the 800m, with Max 9B and Michael 10E winning the 1500m.











The penultimate event of the day was the Tug of War, which saw Eardley winning both the year 9 and year 10 competitions. Finally, we had reached the 4x100m relays, of which everyone was visibly excited for, knowing this could be the deciding event. As they set off and came round the final bend it looked extremely close, with Cray edging it in the final 100m in both races; a thrilling end to what was a fantastic day.

Whilst the final scores were being calculated, it was then time for the annual Staff v Sixth Form Tug of War event. The Sixth Form had a good start, however, despite having more people, the Staff quickly showed their experience and eased over the line, giving us another year of bragging rights. Once the scores had been finalised, Mr Beaney then addressed all of the students to announce the overall winners. In ascending order, it was confirmed that Wickham were the winners of Sports Day 2022, which was followed by a loud cheer and celebration by the Wickham cohort. Well done to Wickham, and well done to everybody who took part!

Sports Day 2022 video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=UG4ttvbb4xI</u>











YEAR 5 OPEN EVENTS

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Year 5 Open Events 2022

Calling all current Year 5 pupils, parents and carers. You are warmly invited to join us for our Year 5 Open Events. This is an exciting opportunity to learn about life at Beths, filled with taster sessions and fun activities !

Please note: there is no parking onsite.

Meet the Headteacher, staff and students.

To book a space please visit https://bit.ly/3wO7n4g or scan the QR code

Each session will run from 9am - 11am on the following dates:

> Wednesday 29th June Monday 4th July Wednesday 6th July Monday 8th July Monday 11th July Tuesday 12th July Wednesday 13th July

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SUMMER CONCERTS



Summer Concert Series





KS 3 Open Mic July 18th KS 4/5 OPEN MIC/ Hip Hop Jam*

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In the main school hall

Concerts are at 12:10-12:30 unless marked with an *, then they are 1:00-1:30pm.







SUMMER CONCERTS

 Beths Grammar
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 5th July 2022
 2022 6pm

featuring

Chamber Ensembles, Small Groups and Soloists

featuring

Beths Big Band, the Orchestra, Chamber Ensembles, Soloists and so much more!

Summer Concert Series

Tickets available on the door or at ticketsource.co.uk next week







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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Why does it happen?

GOING ONLINE MAKES IT EASIER FOR PEOPLE TO SAY AND DO THINGS THEY PROBABLY WOULDN'T DO FACE TO FACE. ONLINE Bullies don't get to see their victims' reactions in Real Life, so this can cocoon them from the real DAMAGE THAT THEY ARE DOING, QUITE OFTEN, PEOPLE BULLY Because they are going through something difficult Themselves and taking it out on others is the only way THEY KNOW HOW TO GET CONTROL OF THEIR OWN EMOTIONS.

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How does it feel to be bullied?

BEING BULLIED CAN IMPACT ON YOUR SELF-ESTEEM, Confidence and social skills. Because it happens on your phone, tablet or computer, it can feel Like you are under threat even when you're in a safe environment, such as your bedroom. Don't FORGET...IT IS NOT YOUR FAULT IF YOU'RE BEING BULLIED.



Am I an online bully?

SOMETIMES IT ISN'T OBVIOUS THAT WHAT YOU ARE DOING IS WRONG, BUT IF YOU USE DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY TO UPSET, ANGER OR EMBARRASS SOMEONE ON PURPOSE, THIS MEANS YOU'RE INVOLVED IN ONLINE BULLYING. IT MIGHT BE AS SIMPLE AS 'LIHING' A MEAN POST, LAUGHING AT AN ONLINE VIDEO, OR SPREADING A RUMOUR, BUT THE PERSON BEING BULLIED COULD FEEL LIKE THEY ARE BEING GANGED UP ON. THINK ABOUT HOW IT WOULD MAKE YOU FEEL IF IT HAPPENED TO YOU. EVERYONE CAN MAKE MISTAKES, BUT IT'S IMPORTANT TO LEARN FROM THEM - GO BACH AND DELETE ANY UPSETTING OR NASTY POSTS, TWEFTS OR COMMENTS YOU'VE WRITTEN IWEETS OR COMMENTS YOU'VE WRITTEN

Who do I tell?

YOU DON'T HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE BULLYING ON YOU DON'T HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE BULLYING ON YOUR OWN. TALK TO AN ADULT THAT YOU TRUST – A PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR TEACHER. MOST WEBSITES, SOCIAL MEDIA WEBSITES AND ONLINE GAMES OR MOBILE APPS LET YOU REPORT AND BLOCK PEOPLE WHO ARE BOTHERING YOU. YOU COULD ALSO CONTACT CHILDLINE (WWW.CHILDLINE.ORG.UH), WHERE A TRAINED COUNSELLOR WILL LISTEN TO ANYTHING TURYED WING YOU YOU WHE ANYTHING THAT'S WORRYING YOU – YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TO GIVE YOUR NAME.



WHEN CYBERBULLYING HAPPENS, IT IS IMPORTANT TO DOCUMENT AND Report the Behaviour, so it can be addressed – Record the dates and times when cyberbullying has occurred, and save and print screenshots, emails, and text messages.

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How can I stay safe?

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Phone - 0800 368 8061



SPORT RESULTS AND FIXTURES

Results for week commencing 20th June

CRICKET						
17.06.22	Kent Cup	U12A	V Maidstone Grammar	Away	Won	
20.06.22	Area Cup	U14A	V Chis and Sid Grammar	Away	Lost	
			School			
20.06.22	Area Cup	U12A	V Wilmington Grammar	Home	Won	
			School for Boys			
21.06.22	Area Cup	U14A	V Bexley Grammar School	Away	Lost	
23.06.22	Area Cup	U13A	V Bexley Grammar School	Away	Won	
23.06.22	Area Cup	U15A	V Hurstmere Foundation Home		Conceded	
			School for Boys			

Fixtures for week commencing 27th June:

CRICKET							
28.06.22	Kent Cup QF	U12A	V Langley Park School for	Away	Start time 2pm		
			Boys				
29.06.22	Area Cup	U12A	V Bexley Grammar	Away	Start time TBC		
20.06.22	Area Cup	U14A	V Hurstmere Foundation	Away	Start time TBC		
			School for Boys				

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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.

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







1. Latest Parents' Association events

Welcome to our next Year 7 boys and their families!!!

The PA were glad to meet some of you at the Year 6 Parents Evening on Monday 20th June and very excited to share your fundraising ideas.





To help the PA prepare next academic year, why not get involved and raise much needed funds to improve our children's educational opportunities? Come and meet us at the coming fundraising events. Thank you to all families who are generously supporting our fundraising activities.

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

Second-hand Uniform Shop = Nearly new blazers and PE kit. Give another life to your child's school uniform.

Summer is fast approaching and it is nearly the end of the academic year, if your children are leaving Beths or simply grown out of their uniform, 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.**













3. Raise money for these thrilling projects and Giftaid it!





This is a simple way that not only supports our fund raising but also gives you the chance to win either a £20 or £10 monthly prize. To purchase your lucky numbers please complete the enclosed form and return it to the school office. Each number costs only £7, payable via the link below:

https://checkout.square.site/merchant/MLJBMNWTMAZ24/checkout/QU7DMNSRYWZOIBWFUXH72VOH or scan below QR code: or via school's Parent Pay system when your son starts in year 7, which allow entry for the 12 monthly and 4 quarterly draws. The winning numbers are randomly drawn at the monthly PA meeting.

Please register now by completing the form available on Beths Parents Association web page: Beths Grammar School - Parents Association or simply contact us on: beths.parents.association@gmail.com









They will be deeply missed by the PA!

We would like to thank Mr O'Regan, Adele Swart and Irene Obaskei for their fantastic support and time. (From left: Adele Swart, Mr O'Regan and Irene Obasaki)

This week your PA is sharing its parent's experience as members so families can see how each of us can make a huge difference for our children and the wider community!!!

Adele Swart: During my 2 years' service (2019-2021) as chairperson for Beths PA I found the PA a very supportive entity that can thrive in time of adversity. We set up electronic banking measures and virtual fundraising campaigns. It enabled us to give generously back to the school to improve the experiences of our young people (2020/21: £4898 vs 2019/20: £3356). This couldn't be done without the PA members, the parents as well as the teachers and admin staff that donated lots of their time, going above and beyond the burden of home schooling and later under the restrictions of running a school with COVID restrictions.

I am hopeful that you will all continue to support Timmy and Irene Obaseki; the new chair and vice chair and the PA, by becoming active supportive members, that will carry on the good work.







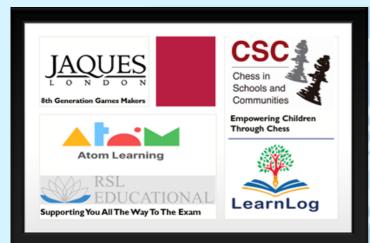
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We would like to say a special THANK YOU to our sponsors and William Jones who have generously donated towards our three editions of Beths Parents Association Online Chess Tournament, with cash functions and prizes for the winners.



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



Next meeting: on Tuesday XX July 2021 @ 7.30pm – Zoom (TBC). Beths School Art Exhibition Bexley: Saturday 25th June 2022 10am – 4pm Summer Concert: July 5th and July 12th (evening – Time to be confirmed)

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



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