

an 11 – 18 selective school with academy status Headteacher: Mr R J Blyghton

Thursday 11th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers of Students in Year 12,

Our new Year 12 students are settling in extremely well and they have made a great first impression. The induction days went very smoothly, and students are engaging well with the demands of A-Level study. They are all looking very smart in their business-like attire and those new to school have quickly worked out how to navigate the school site. New friendships are forming every day, and we will continue to work to make sure they are fully integrated and happy in the school environment. Our sixth form students are role models to the lower school, and we naturally are very proud of them.

As we move further into the term, I thought I would write to bring to your attention a few important housekeeping reminders that I would appreciate your support with. Please discuss these carefully with your son/daughter.

Attendance and punctuality

All students should attend school every day. They should aim to arrive onto the school site for <u>no</u> <u>later than 8.30am</u>. They can go to the sixth form common room before registration.

Breakfast is served from the main school dining room at 8am every morning at a very reasonable price for all students.

Students are expected to be on time for registration and all lessons. Lateness to school will result in a school detention. Persistent lateness may result in a Saturday detention if there is no sign of improvement. We are proud that our sixth form students take pride in their work and should be mature enough to get themselves to school on time.

Please note that attendance to morning registration and assembly is compulsory for all students, even if they have a directed study session 1.

If you know of a planned absence or there is a reason your child is not able to attend school on the day, please inform the **sixth form attendance team** by either calling the school that morning on 01322556538 or emailing **6Fattendance@beths.bexley.sch.uk** stating the full name and form group of your child and their reason for absence. **Notification of absence must come from a parent and not the student.** If we do not receive notification in advance of an absence, please respond to the absence call as soon as possible.

Please try and avoid making appointments during the school day.

Lunchtime arrangements

Students must remain on site during the allocated break time every day. Food and drinks can be purchased either from the servery in the Jubilee Sixth Form Centre or the main school Dining Room.

As a privilege granted to sixth form students only at Beths, year 12 and 13 students are permitted to leave the school site for lunch. We feel that students are now at an age where they are mature enough and can be trusted. Students wishing to leave must sign out in the Jubilee Sixth Form Centre before leaving the school site.

All students leaving at lunch time must ensure that they **return back to school for no later than 1.50pm**. Any arrival after this time will be marked as late. If students are late back to session 3 lessons, we reserve the right to remove their privilege of leaving at lunch temporarily.

We have a very close working relationship with all local businesses, and they know our students and school well. We have a very proud reputation in the local area. Any student who brings the name of the school into disrepute while outside of school or engages in unsafe behaviour will be sanctioned in line with school policy and have the privilege of leaving the site for lunch removed.

The sixth form centre provides food at lunch time for those wishing to remain on site (which many already do).

Early finish days

If students do not have a lesson during the timetabled session 3 lesson (this will appear blank on their timetable) then they can leave after session 2 or after they have had lunch on site. Again, this is another privilege granted to only sixth form students. All directed study sessions are during sessions 1 and 2 and take place on site. We believe that students can use these sessions in the afternoon for independent study at home or to engage in additional activities outside of school (such as attending the gym or driving lessons).

During the year, if we feel that some students are falling behind in their studies and their academic progress is not hitting the expected standard, we will allocate them a compulsory directed study session during session 3 to ensure that they do not fall behind.

Directed study sessions

Directed study is a timetabled independent study session allocated to all students. This allows them to work on independent study and homework during the day. Students have responded very well to these sessions so far.

They must ensure that they bring plenty of work with them and use this time wisely. They are more than welcome to use their laptops and iPad's but must make sure these are fully charged before bringing them to school. If a student would like a school laptop, they should go to the main school reception to request one.

Attendance to directed study is compulsory and registers are taken.

Pastoral support and contacting the school

At Beths we are committed to ensuring that every child thrives and enjoys their time at the school. Whilst academic achievement is important, we also feel that children need to be happy and content in order to perform.

All students have been allocated a Personal Tutor that they meet with every morning. For general enquiries the Personal Tutor is the main point of contact.

Below is the names and email addresses of each of the Personal Tutors and senior staff for Sixth Form. You will have an opportunity to meet us in person on the **Year 12 Information "meet the tutor" evening on Thursday 25th September at 6pm.**

Tutor Group	Personal Tutor	Email address
12A1	Mr I. Alade	I.ALADE@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12A2	Mr N. Avery and Mr W. Daniels	MRAVERY@beths.bexley.sch.uk
		W.DANIELS@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12A3	Mr D. Knott	MRKNOTT@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12B1	Mr G. Bacak	G.BACAK@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12B2	Mrs A. Smart	MSSMART@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12B3	Mr I. Chamberlain	MRCHAMBERLAIN@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12C1	Mr J. Bright	J.BRIGHT@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12C2	Mrs S. Aziz	MSAZIZ@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12C3	Mrs W. Adriaans	MSADRIAANS@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12E1	Ms S. Irving-Gale	S.IRVING-GALE@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12E2	Mr S. Pavar	MRPAVAR@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12H1	Miss S. Zhai	S.ZHAI@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12H2	Mr O. Osisanwo	MROSISANWO@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12W1	Miss W. Chan	W.CHAN@beths.bexley.sch.uk
12W2	Mr R. Nagra	R.NAGRA@beths.bexley.sch.uk
Head of Year	Mr D. Parkes	MRPARKES@beths.bexley.sch.uk
Assistant Head of Year	Ms P. Brobbey	MSBROBBEY@beths.bexley.sch.uk
Senior Teacher (Sixth Form – Year 12)	Mr R. McBeth	MRMCBETH@beths.bexley.sch.uk

When emailing the school please make sure you include the **full name and tutor group of your child**.

Uniform

Thank you to all parents who ensure their child arrives to school in the correct uniform. We want our students to dress smartly and take a pride in their appearance.

All but a small number of students are fully compliant with the uniform policy.

A few issues noted already:

- All students must wear a blazer. This should be worn around the school site.
- We are more than happy for boys to wear a quarter-zip jumper, but they must wear a blazer over this. The jumper is not a substitute for the blazer.
- Girls who choose to wear a skirt must ensure that it is of a suitable length.

Please see attached the sixth form uniform policy.

Thank you in advance for your support on these important matters.

I look forward to seeing you all on **the information evening on Thursday 25th September** in the Main School Hall. If you have any questions, then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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