

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Dear Parents, Carers,

This week hosted many fantastic events, where Beths scholars participated in different activities.

KS3 Poetry awards was hosted by Dr Easton and winners as well as runners up were congratulated for their amazing achievements. It was wonderful for the students to be recognised and it was nice to see parents coming in to support these achievements.

In Year 13, Charles L was awarded the Jack Petchey award, which is a marvellous achievement, so well done to him.

This month is Black History Month and there has been a stall situated in the Jubilee Sixth Form building.

On September 15th, Beths scholars celebrated World Afro Day 2025 and the core message of the day is that hair is a personal choice and no one should feel pressured to style their hair in a certain way. Some photos were taken and positive messages were written by scholars to celebrate their hair.

Medicine Society raised £138 from running from England to Wales. Those that participated, managed to do it in 43 days. The money will go towards Doctors Without Borders.



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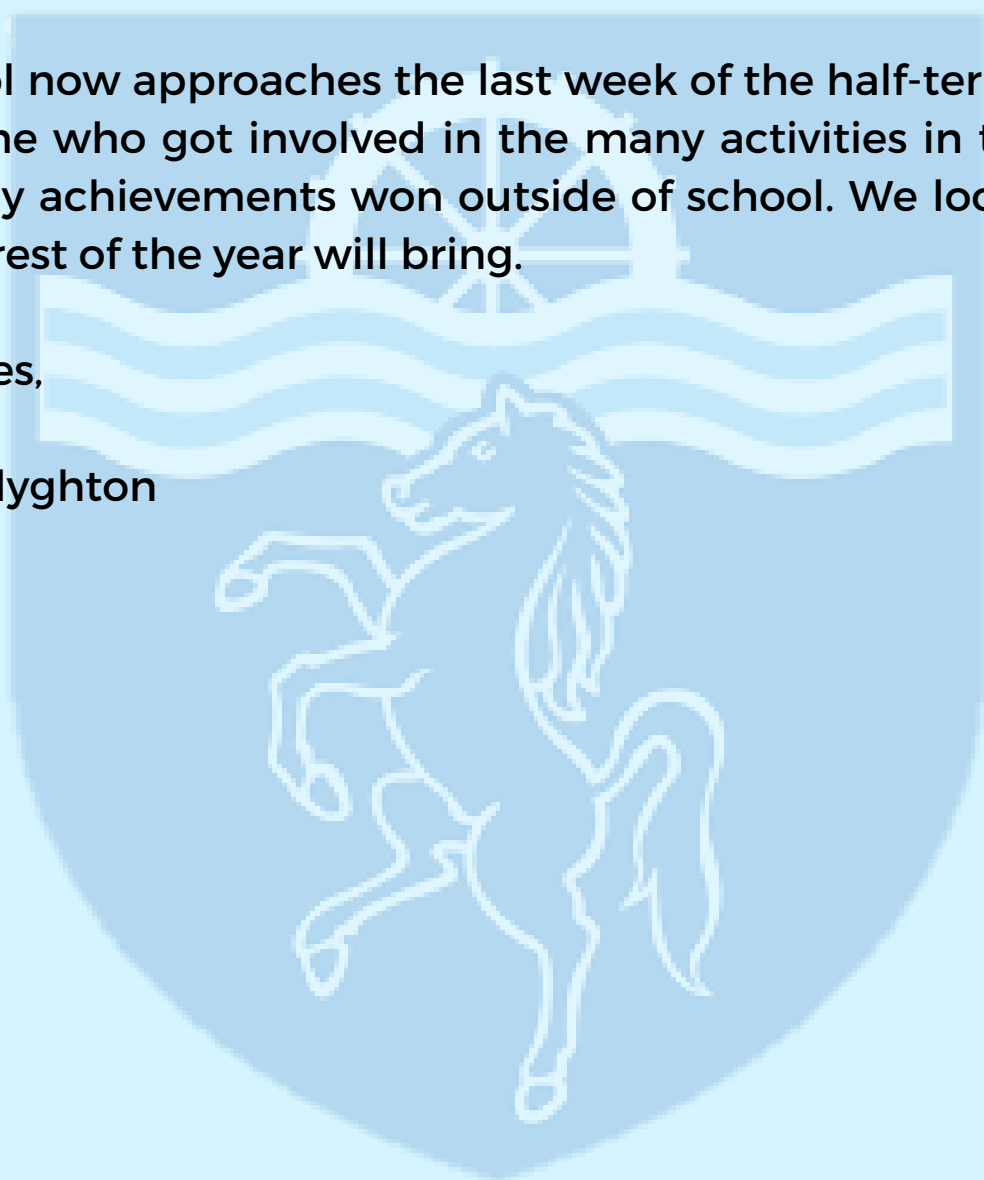
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On Friday, scholars were encouraged to wear pink or blues for Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The school managed to raise an astonishing £1,033 which will go towards The Pink Ribbon Foundation, Medicine Society and Prom Committee.

The school now approaches the last week of the half-term. Well done to everyone who got involved in the many activities in the school as well as any achievements won outside of school. We look forward to what the rest of the year will bring.

Best wishes,

Richard Blyghton



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Wednesday 15th October - Apprenticeships Fair Evening in the Sixth Form Centre for Sixth Formers

Monday 3rd November - Green Careers Week

Monday 3rd November - Year 11 MFL Speaking Mock

Thursday 6th November - 6pm-7pm Snow Union Ski Trip Parents Information Evening

Wednesday 12th November - Sixth Form Information for Year 11 Internal Students

Monday 16th November - Year 11 trial exams begin in the Sports Hall

Tuesday 18th November - Year 10 Work Experience Talk for Parents

Thursday 20th November - Sixth Form Guided Tours a video will be uploaded onto the website



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WORLD AFRO DAY 2025

On September 15th, Beths celebrated the 9th anniversary of World Afro Day, a celebration of Afro hair, culture, and identity as well as challenging the negative stereotypes surrounding it. Hair is a personal choice, and no one should feel pressured to style their hair in a certain way to fit in; this is the core message of World Afro Day.

Afro hair historically has been looked down upon, with the belief of it being unprofessional and untidy being prevalent, this extends to protective hairstyles such as braids or cornrows being looked down upon as non-traditional and as a part of gang culture. These ridiculous stereotypes restrict those with afro hair socially and more broadly within society, leaving people unable to express themselves freely via their hair and preventing black people from getting the same opportunities as others unless they conform. Michelle De Leon is the founder of World Afro Day, stemming from her belief that there aren't enough examples of natural afro hair being celebrated in the media. She wanted her daughter and other children to grow up seeing more examples of people with hair like their own, as well as people without afro hair gaining a greater understanding of it.

In the past, discrimination against afro hair was especially prevalent in UK schools. In 2009, a North London school turned away an 11 year old black child on the first day of school due to him having cornrows, which were banned due to fears that such styles could encourage 'gang culture', leading to a court case in which the High Court ruled against the Secondary School. Thankfully there has been progress on this front, the 2022 guidelines from the Equality and Human Rights Commission outlawed hair-based discrimination, moving us towards a more equal society for all people of all kinds.

On behalf of the MCC, thank you to anyone who took part in celebrating World Afro Day.



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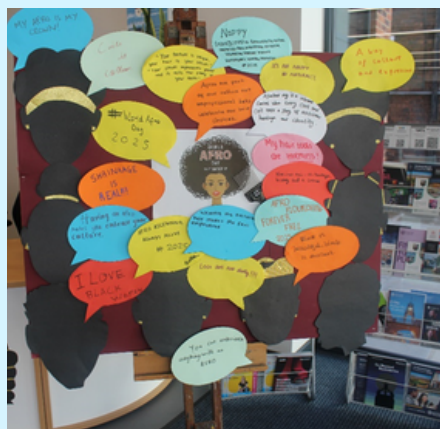
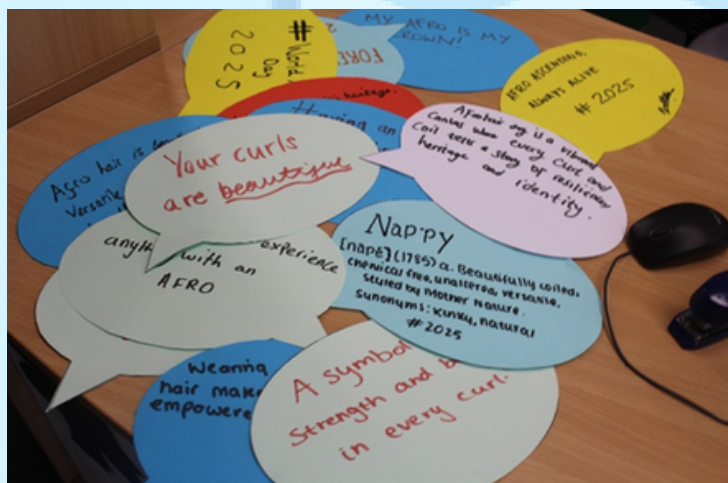


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POETRY AWARDS 2025



Poetry Awards took place yesterday evening, hosted by Dr Easton.



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POETRY AWARDS 2025

Year 7:

- 3rd - Darren I 
2nd - Aditya G 
1st - Daanish N 

Year 8:

- 3rd - Gabe A 
2nd - Aarav G 
1st - John T 

Year 9:

- 3rd - Jay C 
2nd - Jeevan D 
1st - Ehise E 

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



OWN CLOTHES DAY FOR BREAST CANCER AWARENESS



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BETHS MEDSOC ENGLAND TO WALES IN 28 DAYS

Medicine Society raised **£138** for the Medecins Sans Frontieres/ Doctors Without Borders (MSF)



Between late June and early August, Medicine Society held an event where members ran the distance between England and Wales - 760km - in order to raise money for Doctors Without Borders. Over 43 days, we managed to complete the distance, and raised £138.



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JACK PETCHEY AWARD



Charles L 13A1 was awarded the Jack Petchey award. Congratulations!



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You've
made a big
difference!

Beths Grammar School
for Boys

raised a fantastic

£259.50

through their
Cultural Dress Day

A stylized signature in black ink.

Dominic Holton
Chair of Trustees, National Deaf Children's Society

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A THANK YOU FROM THE NATIONAL DEAF CHILDREN'S SOCIETY



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03/10/2025

Dear all at Beths Grammar,

You are amazing, thank you!

Thank you for the incredible donation, raising a fantastic £259.50 through your Cultural Dress day. We are so grateful for the support you have given to us.

You've made a huge difference to the lives of deaf children and young people, helping to bring us closer to a world where anything is possible for deaf children. Because of you, deaf children like two-year-old Lola will be able to access services that help them to communicate with their families and friends.

"At first, I didn't know what life she would lead, but now I know Lola will be confident and strong and succeed at whatever she chooses to do."
Lola's mum, Ros

There are over 50,000 deaf children in the UK, and we strongly believe that every deaf child should be valued and have the same opportunities as any other child. Your kindness and support will help to make sure that nothing holds deaf children back across the UK – thank you.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ellen Vernon".

Ellen Vernon
Community Fundraising Team
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The charity for deaf children with any level of hearing loss.

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<http://join.bethspa.co.uk>

- ✓ Get in touch with parents in our school
- ✓ Ask questions to the parents in your child's class
- ✓ See what's coming up for you and your child
- ✓ Find like-minded friends in our community
- ✓ Organise meet-ups and birthday parties
- ✓ Buy event tickets & RSVP to invitations



I can ask the parents in my child's class questions

It helps me to see who's who at my school and see who lives nearby

I can organise my child's birthday party and see who's coming

I can stay in the loop with important school info & PTA events coming up

Now I know who my child is friends with, I can get in touch with their parents

Round-up emails help me keep up with what's going on even when I'm busy



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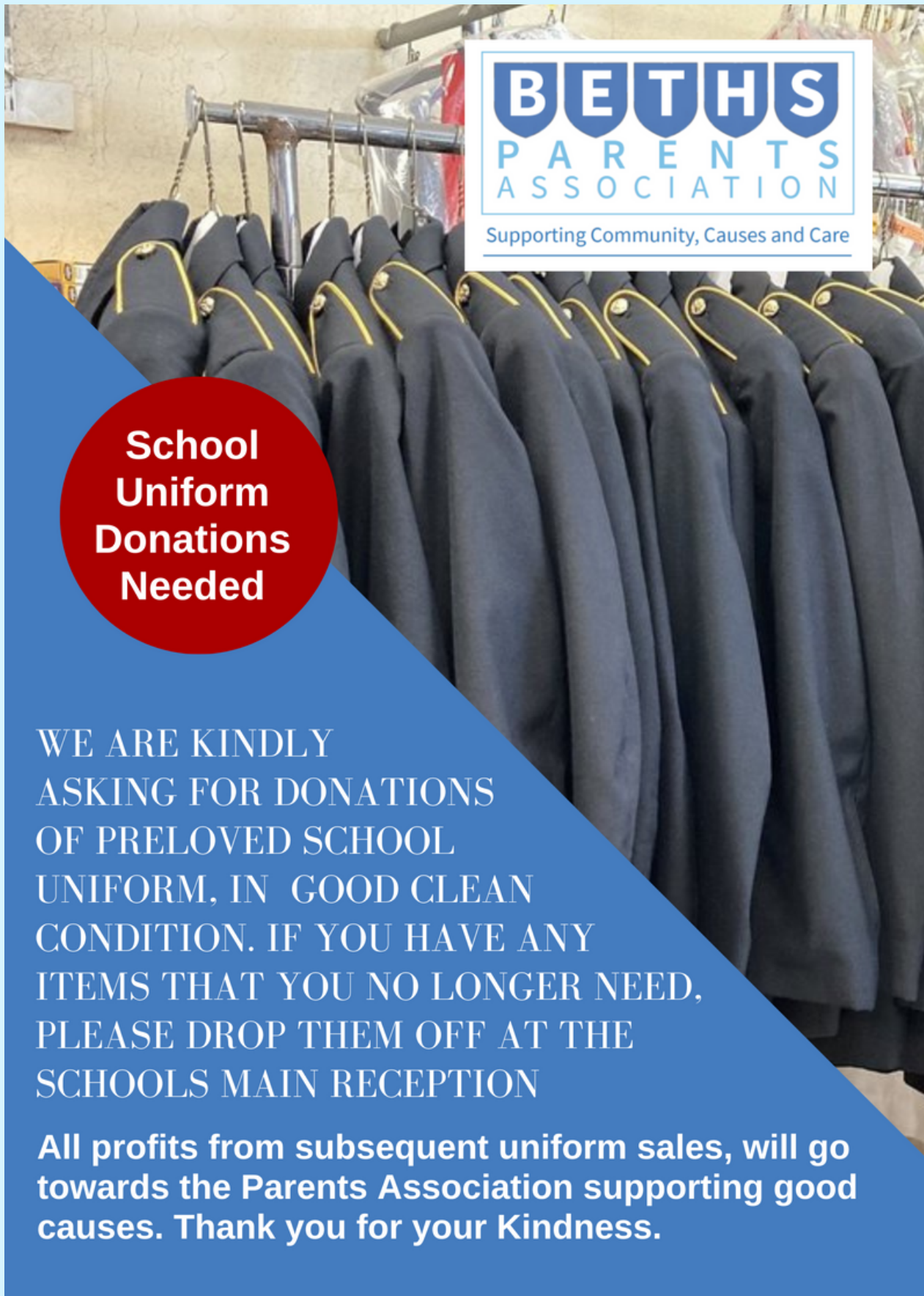


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