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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Dear Parents, Carers,

Our first week back after the half-term break and everything is in full swing.

This week, professional actor Blake Harrison kindly came in to speak to selected KS4 and KS5 drama and film studies students about his experience as an actor and gave them all a chance to ask questions about his career.

Next week is National Careers Week. The Virtual Careers Week Fair is going live on the 2nd of March and will be available to students via the link <https://ncw26.co.uk/>. During lessons, students will be given information about careers related to that subject. Career links are also available on our website <https://beths.bexley.sch.uk/curriculum-maps/>

Next week on Thursday the 5th of March, Beths will be celebrating World Book Day by asking scholars to dress up as a character from a favourite book or as a writer they admire. For more information, please read the email that was sent out to parents via Schoolcomms.

From Monday 2nd March, scholars will receive behaviour points for incorrect uniform (i.e trainers instead of shoes) and not wearing their lanyard. All lanyards have been issued to scholars now. Mobile phones and headphones should not be seen in school, Sixth Form are allowed only in the Sixth Form centre.



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Tickets for Shrek The Musical are still available on [TicketSource](#)

The Spring Concert/Spring Festival is taking place over two nights starting at 6pm on the 17th and 24th of March. Tickets are priced at £7 for adults, £4 for children and £5 for concession. We have performances from band classes, the orchestra and solo performances. To get your tickets for either night, or there is an option to attend both nights, visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/beths-grammar-school. We look forward to seeing you there!

The process for opting in to the 11+ testing for September 2026 will open the 1st of March and close on the 31st of March. This is instead of the usual May time. Late registrations will not be accepted.

Best wishes,

Richard Blyghton



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Monday 2nd March - National Careers Week begins. The Virtual Career Week Fair goes live on <https://ncw26.co.uk/>

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day

Thursday 5th March - Year 7 Parents Evening (Virtual)

Thursday 12th , Friday 13th March and Saturday 14th March - Shrek The Musical School Production - book your tickets on TicketSource

Tuesday 17th March - Spring Concert - Book your tickets on go to TicketSource

Tuesday 24th March - Spring Festival - For more information and to book your tickets go to TicketSource (there is a poster in this VIP with information)

Wednesday 25th March - Spring Afternoon Tea for the retired and semi-retired

For more dates: visit the Events Calendar on our website

<https://beths.bexley.sch.uk/events-calendar/>



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BLAKE HARRISON



On 24th Feb, we had a special guest speaker, Blake Harrison. He is a professional actor whose break through role was one of the leads from the UK hit sitcom, *The Inbetweeners*. He spoke to our A level, GCSE and a couple of year 9 students who are looking to pursue acting further or the film industry.



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DEBATE COMPETITIONS KS5



Four scholars: Saphia A, Justin C, Teddy A and Ewan T; from KS5 competed in two debating competitions before half-term.

On the 12th February, Saphia A and Justin C engaged in the Oxford University Union Schools Debating competition. This round took place online and our scholars were faced with competition from schools all around the country. While our Beths scholars did not progress to finals day, this was a great learning experience and an amazing start to debating.

The second competition for all 4 scholars, which was the regional round of the Cambridge University Union Schools Competition, was held on Saturday 14th February. There were 4 rounds of debate, with each topic or 'motions' given to participants 15 minutes before the debating starts. Competitors are not allowed any mobile phones or other devices, just their brains, knowledge and skill to prepare. Although unsuccessful in getting through to finals day in Cambridge, all were agreed that this was an amazing opportunity and experience.

Debate Club is on every Thursday from 1pm in M4 and it is now open to Years 10 through to 13. Debate is a great way to think logically, develop ideas, back up opinions and analyse arguments. There is lots of evidence to link proficiency in debate with improvement in writing and overall confidence. But ultimately it is about having fun!

We are looking to arrange opportunities to debate with local schools in the next half of this year and hope to see more students get involved.



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AMY WINEHOUSE FOUNDATION



During PSHCE this week, Year 13 had a presentation delivered by two guest speakers from the Amy Winehouse Foundation.

The Amy Winehouse Foundation was set up in memory of Amy Winehouse.

Through their collaborative work, the charity aims to help young people make informed choices about drugs and alcohol, as well as helping young people with their mental health and self-esteem.



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Gabriel C in 11W:

We would like to congratulate Gabriel C in 11W for his continued success in Taekwondo and share more of his amazing success in this sport:



Gabriel's first formal Poomsae competition of the year took place on the 14th February 2026. In this event, he managed to secure a Silver medal in the Individual category with a score of 7.20, maintaining his consistent performance above the 7.0 benchmark. While he narrowly missed the Gold medal by 0.37 points, this small margin and his podium position reflects both the exceptionally high standard of the division and the quality of his performance on the day.



Gabriel achieved further distinction by winning a Silver medal in the Pairs event at this competition. He demonstrated strong synchronisation, technical precision and composure in partnership competition.



Gabriel's success through medal results contributed to Win Taekwondo Academy earning the 3rd Place Team Trophy at the event. His performances played a meaningful role in the club's overall standing, highlighting not only his personal progress but also his contribution to the wider team effort.

Congratulations to Gabriel for all of his achievements in this competition and what a brilliant start to a new year of competing. Good luck in all your future Taekwondo championships.



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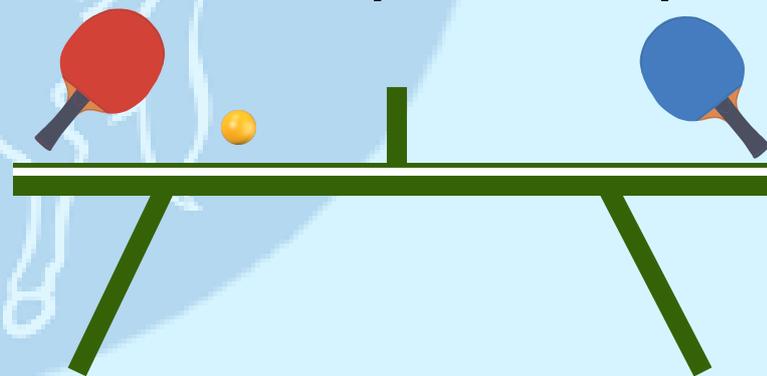
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Daniel P in 7E:

Daniel competed in the table tennis qualifiers at Morpeth School on Sunday 15th February.

During this, he won the U13 competition, which means he will now represent Beths and London South at the U13 national schools finals in Wolverhampton in April.



Congratulations to Daniel for all his achievements so far and good luck to him in the finals!



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KS3 BAKE SALE FOR SUDAN RELIEF CHARITY



Before half-term, a group of Year 7 scholars organised and held a bake sale to raise money for a Sudan Relief charity. The total amount of money they raised is... **£228.82**



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FIXTURE RESULTS

Below are the Sports Fixtures Results from before half-term:

9th Feb	Football	U14A	Dulwich College	Neutral	Mr Temple	5-1
11th Feb	Basketball	U15A	Bullers Wood School	Away	tbc	62-64



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You are warmly invited to...
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Easter Afternoon Tea

for the retired & semi-retired

Please join us for a delightful afternoon filled with music, games, food and laughter. Enjoy wonderful company as we host a community afternoon tea.

Wednesday 25th March 2026 - 2:15pm- 4pm
Beths Grammar School, Hartford Road, DA5 1NE
Price: £4 per person.



Please register your interest by emailing
Admin@beths.bexley.sch.uk or call 01322 556538
by Wednesday 18th March 2026.

Beths Grammar School Present



SHREK

THE MUSICAL

Based on the Dreamworks Animation Motion Picture and the book by William Steig

Book and Lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire
Music by Jeanine Tesori

Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI
www.mtishows.co.uk

Dates and times are:

- March 12th and 13th at 7pm
- March 14th at 1pm

Scan the QR code or visit:



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Spring Concert

17TH MARCH 2026, 6PM

Spring Festival

24TH MARCH 2026, 6PM

Beths Grammar School, Hartford
Road, DA5 1NE



To book a ticket or for more information, please visit
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We look forward to
seeing you there!

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We are pleased to invite you to our event for Preparation for Adulthood for **Hobbies, Health and Living Skills**

This event is aimed at Young People with SEND (age13–25) as well as their Parent Carers, Schools and Settings

Date: Friday 6 March

Location: Civic Offices, 2 Watling Street, Bexleyheath

Session 1: 9.30-11.00,  **planned fire alarm test at 11.00**

Session 2: 11.30-1.00,

Session 3: 1.30-3.00

-  **Find our more** about opportunities and options Visit our **market place**
-  drop-in (no need to book) For young people to attend our Aspirations,
-  Next Steps, and Wellbeing **workshops, please book here!**



PARENTS' ASSOCIATION MEETINGS



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Parents' Association Meetings 2026

Please find listed below, the dates for the online Parents' Association meetings (using Microsoft Teams).

Please contact the PA at info@bethspa.co.uk for further information or join the Beths community on Classlist at <http://join.bethspa.co.uk>

The links to join will be sent out on Classlist and in the VIP newsletter.

Wednesday 11th March @ 7pm
Wednesday 15th April @ 7pm
Wednesday 13th May @ 7pm
Wednesday 10th June @ 7pm
Wednesday 8th July @ 7pm



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**Our next meeting will be held on Microsoft Teams on
Wednesday 11th March at 7pm**

Why not join us?

Link to meeting...

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MzFmNzM3YmMtMWEwZS00OTMzLWJmNGEtZmJkNWZlODhjMjM3%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22807c193e-d765-45d0-9e7e-6a79c9117688%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22bb65cafd-9bfc-4b76-9043-04fc4d12ad56%22%7d

**Meeting ID:
386 659 312 654 26
Passcode:
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ALUMNI



Whether you left Beths Grammar School last year or a few decades ago, we would love to hear from you!

Join our alumni community to catch up with old friends, hear about future events or even see if you can help with contributing to the development of current and future students of Beths

Fill out the contact form and we will be in touch. We look forward to hearing from you!

Beths Alumni Student contact form : <https://forms.office.com/e/UB4Z2iHS3b>



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BETHS PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The logo for Beths Parents Association features the word 'BETHS' in large, bold, blue letters, each letter contained within a blue shield-like shape. Below this, the words 'PARENTS' and 'ASSOCIATION' are written in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font, stacked on two lines.

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