



Beths Blog

Week ending Friday 11 January 2019

Welcome back everyone!

We hope you all had a great Christmas and New Year!

This year we have lots of things going on and we can't wait to share them with you on our blog, website and social media pages.

Honours Ties

The second batch of Honours Ties have now been awarded to students in Years 10 and 11. These ties have been awarded to students who have exemplified the school's values: Excellence, Respect, Nurture and Community. Congratulations to them all.



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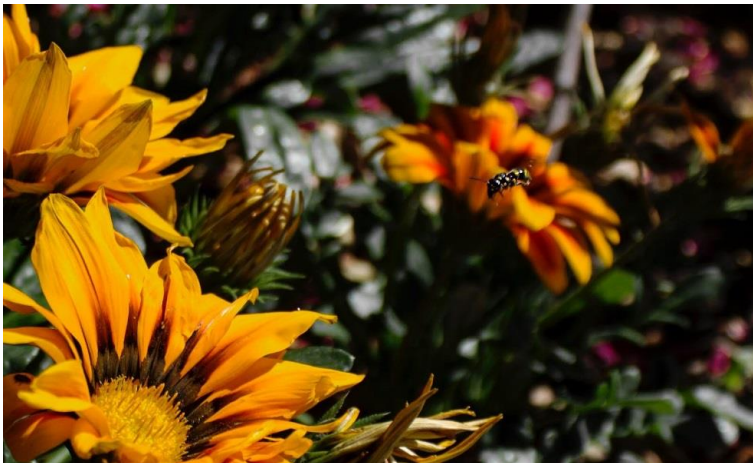
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Stop and Notice the Beauty About you

As part of our Five Ways to Well Being campaign to teach students about developing habits for life which support high levels of well-being we challenged all students to send in pictures of natural beauty that they had taken. There were a large number of excellent entries demonstrating some astounding talent from our students. Three leading pictures have been selected to celebrate the experience from across key stages:

KS3 – James Russell

(taken in local park)



KS4 – Zeshen Rezak

(taken in the Garden of Shakespeare's birthplace Stratford upon-Avon)

KS5 – Joshua Hurley

(taken in Maasai Mara Park Kenya)



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Wallace Gallery Trip – Thursday 10 January 2019

'I found the trip to the Wallace Gallery really informative and helpful, where I learnt useful skills I intend to include in future work, such as using measurements to help with perspective when drawing figures. I really enjoyed drawing figures of ancient Gods such as Hercules, as I found using highlight was especially effective in portraying light in reflecting the figures.' Written by a Year 13 Student.



Social Media

Don't forget that we are on various social media platforms and would love you to get involved! We try and post about events 'as they happen' in school along with up and coming trips, visits, events etc. We then use this Blog to tell you about what we've been doing in more detail and try to post a different selection of photos to accompany the articles.

So social media is where you'll see everything first so, why not join us on our social media pages? We'd love to receive your input too!



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Sport

FIXTURES

FOOTBALL			
Kent	16.01.19	1st XI v Norton Knatchbull	Away
N Kent	17.01.19	U12 v Cleeve Park	Away
ESFA	15.01.19	U14 v Langley School, Norwich	Away
	14.01.19	U14 B v Shenfield School	Away

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RUGBY			
Friendly	19.01.19	U12A Rochester Math	Away
	19.01.19	U13 and U14 v Rochester Math	Home
BASKETBALL			
Kent	14.01.19	Year 9 v Ravens Wood	Home
	16.01.19	Year 7 v King Henry	Home
Bexley Schools	17.01.19	Year 8 at HACA	Away

RESULTS

FOOTBALL				
Kent –Quarter Final	08.01.19	U14 v Hurstmere	Home	Won 2-1
League	09.01.19	1st XI v Ravensbourne	Home	Won 5-4
	09.01.19	2 nd XI v Hayes	Home	Won 6-2
RUGBY				
Friendly	12.01.19	U12A v WGSB	Away	Postponed
		U12B v WGSB	Away	Cancelled
		U13 v WGSB	Home	Results next week
		U14 v WGSB	Home	Results next week
		U15 v WGSB	Home	Cancelled
BASKETBALL				
National	09.01.19	U19 v Alleyns	Home	Lost 63-88
Kent	10.01.19	Year 10 v Canterbury	Home	53-43 Won
	10.01.19	Year 7 v NTC	Away	35-40 Lost
	11.01.19	U11 v Ravens Wood	Home	Results next week

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Coming up

'The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time'

On Tuesday 15 January, some Year 10 drama students are heading up to London to see 'The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time' at the Piccadilly Theatre. If you haven't heard about the play, here is a taster from the National Theatre website:

'Christopher has an extraordinary brain, exceptional at Maths while ill-equipped to interpret everyday life. He has never ventured alone beyond the end of his road, he detests being touched and he distrusts strangers. But his detective work, forbidden by his father, takes him on a frightening journey that upturns his world.'

Winner of 7 Olivier Awards and 5 Tony awards® including 'Best Play', The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time brings Mark Haddon's best-selling novel to thrilling life on stage, adapted by two-time Olivier Award-winning playwright Simon Stephens and directed by Olivier and Tony Award®-winning director Marianne Elliott.

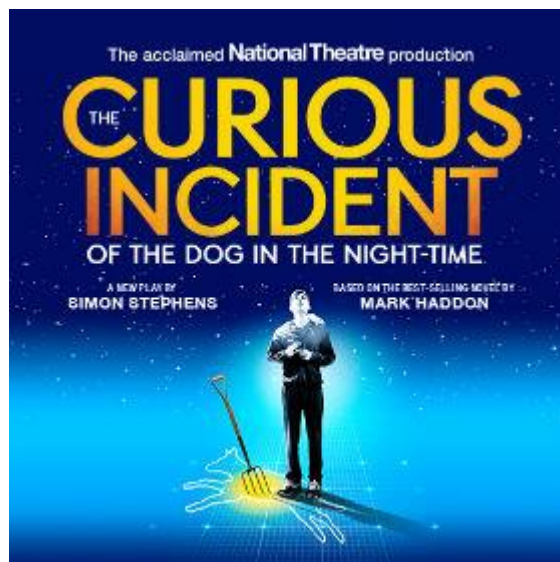


Photo: londontheatre.co.uk

Year 12 Parents Evening

A reminder that Thursday 17 January is the Year 12 Parents Evening. Year 12 students have been asked to arrange appointments directly with their teachers.

Year 12 – Anthony Nolan

Peter Hodes from Anthony Nolan will be delivering a talk to all Year 12 students in the Hall on Friday 18 January. The talk will cover blood, stem cell and organ donation and explain the process of how these three things can be donated and why donations are needed. As these can be sensitive issues to some; any student who has been affected by donation, suffered a bereavement or been touched by cancer will be given the option not to attend.

Students on Site

A reminder that there are still an increasing number of students arriving particularly early in the morning and staying late into the evening. The school actually opens for students at 8.00am in the morning and we would encourage all students (unless they are remaining for pre-arranged activities) to have left the site by 5.00pm.

The school is unable to ensure there is a qualified first aider on site before 8.00am in the morning and after 4.30pm in the evening. This request is being made as we are unable to supervise students outside of these times and we can therefore take no responsibility for them, should they be involved in any form of accident.

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Safety and Courtesy

On a more serious note, we would like to remind parents, students and staff to continue to be respectful of our neighbours and not park across their driveways. The safety of our students continues to be our utmost priority and so we also ask that, if you are dropping off or collecting your son or daughter, you abide by the road markings and refrain from parking on zig-zags or double yellow lines.

We have also received a couple of calls from members of the public about parents dropping students in the morning actually on the roundabout at the top of Bourne Road – close to Dartfordians. This is obviously extremely dangerous not just for other road users, but also for the students themselves. We would urge that parents please find a safe place to drop-off their child/children for school.

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