



**BETHS
GRAMMAR
SCHOOL**

**Excellence – Community
Respect - Nurture**



Week ending Friday 22 March 2019

Oliver! Production

Oliver! will take place on Wednesday 27, Thursday 28 and Friday 29 March, with the performances starting at 7pm.

Ticket prices are:

Adults: £4.00

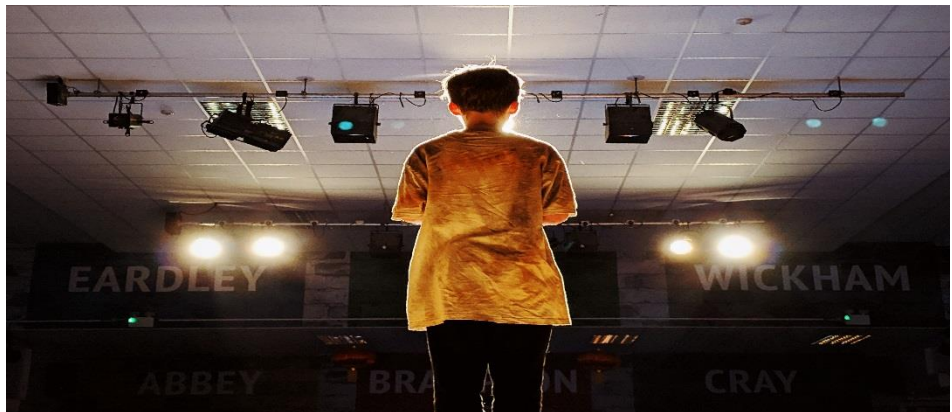
Concessions: £2.50

Family (2 adults, 2 children): £10.00

If you would like to come and see the performance, please ask your son or daughter to purchase tickets from the school's reception. You can also email us on line at admin@beths.bexley.sch.uk and a member of staff will be able to put tickets to one side for you whilst payment is awaited.

Please also don't forget to check out our Instagram stories for an Oliver! Music quiz on the run up to the shows and to keep an eye out for sneak peek photos and a teaser trailer!

We hope to see you there!



Spring Concert

We are delighted to invite you along to our Spring Concert that takes place on Tuesday 2 April. Please come along and support our very talented musicians who, as well as rehearsing for our production of Oliver!, have also been practising for the concert too! Tickets are available to purchase on the door.

Beths Grammar School 
presents their

Spring Concert

**Tuesday
April 2nd
7:00pm**

Tickets available on the door



Beths Grammar School



@Bethsgs



Beths Grammar



**BETHS
GRAMMAR
SCHOOL**



**Excellence – Community
Respect - Nurture**

Community Afternoon Tea Event

On Monday, Beths held its monthly Community Afternoon Tea, which this time was St Patrick's Day themed.

Guests were treated to a short video of Michael Flatley's 'Lord of the Dance', a comedic routine by the great Max W in Year 12, a violin recital by the very talented Will G in Year 9 and an Ireland-themed quiz, led by the brilliant Jack B and Nish D in Year 13 and Year 12. Guests laughed along to the jokes, hummed and sang to the music pieces and scratched their heads over the quiz! Our visitors had a great time and commented on how lovely the entertainment was and how wonderful our top-hat donning Year 8 assistants who served and chatted to them were.

Guests were also treated to a four leaf clover gift made by students and a laminated keepsake card with a Leprechaun design, created by the fantastic artist, Bolu H in Year 9. Thank you to all of the students above for their contributions – it wouldn't have been the same without you and to the staff who assisted in bringing the event together.

Also, a big thank you to our guests – we love welcoming you and having you with us; new AND old faces. We look forward to seeing you again/meeting you at our next event which is being held on Wednesday 24 April at 2pm-3:15pm. Please do phone in or email by Wednesday 3rd April to reserve a place. Until the next time!



Othello Revision Conference

This was a Conference which was run by The A Level Conference Company, held at the London Irish Centre.

This event offered Sixth Formers an opportunity to extend, clarify and consolidate knowledge of the plays studied in the lead up to their examinations. It was an intensive day which allowed the students to make connections to enrich their understanding of the play.

The event was delivered by renowned Shakespeare scholars from Oxford and Warwick and took the form of four, 40 minute presentations.



Beths Grammar School



@Bethsgs



Beths Grammar



**BETHS
GRAMMAR
SCHOOL**



**Excellence – Community
Respect - Nurture**

PA Quiz Night

Beths Parents Association's next Quiz night takes place on Saturday 30 March! Good luck to all those who are attending – we hope you are well prepared!



There are still tickets available so please contact beths.parents.association@gmail.com and let's see who's the smartest of them all!!

We look forward to welcoming you.

Inspired Through Sport Day

Team GB's Chad Miller raced into Beths Grammar School on Thursday for a successful 'Inspired Through Sport'. Beths' students rose to the occasion to complete their sponsored fitness circuit in the Sports Hall and listened intently to the Q&A with the GB sprinter.

South Londoner Miller gave the boys impressive words of wisdom to help them with their academia, sport and life balance as part of the ITS 'Giving Back Programme'.

The Year 11s enjoyed a personal Miller assembly which included a pep talk for their upcoming GCSE examinations.

Later, the GB speedster put KS3 through their paces and engaged them in a gruelling HIIT training session. Each boy had raised money for the ITS charity and for some new sports equipment at Beths as part of the event.



Head of Department, Mr Temple, impressed the boys with his strength and stamina in the HIIT workout in accompaniment to the challenges presented by the National U20 Champion.

Amongst the sporting excitement, the Year 7s had an amazing house dance-off battle to NSG and Punjabi MC to celebrate our dance scheme of work. Chad even took time out to race one of our quickest boys in the school in a spectacular event which the boys loved.

Prizes will be awarded to the best fundraisers across KS3. The big winner of the games console will be revealed when all Year 7 and 8 fundraisers have given their sponsorship money into the school office.



Beths Grammar School



@Bethsgs



Beths Grammar



Thank you to Inspired Through Sport, Chad Miller, all the facilities staff, teachers and student for an inspiring day of sport at Beths Grammar School.

Good fun was had by all. Check out our social media pages for all the photos!

Year 13 Testicular and Breast Cancer Presentation – Friday 22 March



On Friday 22 March, our Year 13 students had a PSHE session concerning breast and testicular cancer. The presentation highlighted the symptoms and signs along with treatment and current, ongoing research.

At the end of the presentation, all students were issued with a leaflet.

Cancer affects everyone and the only way we can fight this is together!



Spanish Home Stay by Ollie

Dark, dismal, wet and rainy. But enough of London, we were going to Salamanca.

Buzzing with anticipation we entered London Gatwick. Duty free, a scene of organised chaos, bustling bodies but everyone had a place to be, and so did we. After a quick stop where the Burger King queue was too long to wait and the supposedly cheaper merchandise was too expensive to buy, Alex finally found his boarding pass and we boarded the plane. Following a relatively short flight in which I watched Schlinders List, a terribly depressing movie. I would not recommend if you wanted to be in a good mood afterward, we were in the warm early spring air of Madrid.

Madrid – a wonderful place. However our tightly regimented task force of Miss Price, Mr Ogilvie and Miss Clarke only had one destination in mind: The Real Madrid Stadium. Now, I cannot say that I am a football fan, or have any knowledge of football, but that stadium was impressive!

However, before we could enter its somewhat sacred walls, Mr Ogilvie and Miss Price did a snack run. Now this is no turn of phrase, they ran! That's right, something Mr Ogilvie had sworn not to do on this holiday but low and behold, with a bag of food in each hand, he came toward us at quite a pace. When all snacks had been distributed and consumed, we entered the stadium.

Football is not something I have a lot of knowledge on, but by the look of awe that struck the other students' faces when they laid eyes upon the intricately carved trophies and old tattered footballs, they clearly had a lot of meaning. Projected infographics adorned each wall and as we moved through years of football history, I gained some respect for the sport. Finally, we entered the field. Amazing, truly amazing! 81,044 seats staggered to the rooftops, lush green finely cut grass. The people who have been there, right where I was standing – incredible! The tour finished up and we were back on the coach, heading for Salamanca...

Read the rest of the article on our website by following this link:
<https://www.beths.bexley.sch.uk/news/?pid=3&nid=4&storyId=103>





**BETHS
GRAMMAR
SCHOOL**



**Excellence – Community
Respect - Nurture**

Year 13 Prom Committee – Easter Hamper Raffle

Tickets are now available (in Form Rooms) for £1.00 per strip to be drawn week commencing Monday 1 April.

Each House has their own hamper and include:
3 large eggs, 1 bag Mini Eggs, 2 Cream Eggs, 1 Mint Aero, 1 Twix, 1 Mars Bar, 1 Fredo, 1 x bag of Strawberry Laces, 3 Maoam Bars.



All proceeds go to the Year 13 Prom Committee.

Are you a creative writer or can critic films/shows/sports events?

We are looking for students to write articles for the weekly blog, whether you've been to the cinema lately and want to review a film, attended a sporting event and want to write about your experience, or even have your thoughts on equality for instance, what is your stance. Email your article to msgeorge@beths.bexley.sch.uk for the chance for your articles appearing in our weekly blog.



London Marathon

Ben Huggon is a former student studying medicine at Oxford. He is still a key member of the Beths community and is running the London Marathon on Sunday 28 April. Ben is raising money for 'Born on the Edge', a charity striving for better new-born healthcare worldwide. They work to improve the survival of new-borns by:

- Providing training for local doctors, nurses and health workers in new-born care
- Supporting young healthcare workers involved in international new-born health research
- Developing sustainable projects to improve new-born healthcare facilities.

If anyone would like to make a donation, please do so by following the link:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/BenHuggon2>



Changes to the Blog

We are looking at ways of updating the weekly blog to make it even more reader friendly. Let us know if there is anything you would like us to start incorporating, ways that we could alter the look of the Blog or anything else you can suggest. Would you like to see more interviews with students or perhaps an end of the week quiz to get you ready for the weekend, for example? Please get in touch by emailing msgeorge@beths.bexley.sch.uk.



Beths Grammar School



@Bethsgs



Beths Grammar



This blog is for you all to read and enjoy and we would love to hear your thoughts!

Emailing the School

Should you need to email the school with items/concerns of a more 'sensitive' nature, please email headspa@beths.bexley.sch.uk rather than the generic admin email address.

Sport

FIXTURES

FOOTBALL			
N Kent Quarter Final	25.03.2019	U13 v Bexley	Away
	25.03.2019	U15 v Cleeve Park	Away
N Kent Semi Final	27.03.2019	U12 v Haberdashers	Away
	29.03.2019	U16 v St Columbas	Home
RUGBY			
Sevens	27.03.2019	U14 7s v Various	Home
BASKETBALL			
National	26.03.19	Year 7 v Canterbury and NTC	Home
Kent Final	29.03.19	Year 8 v Canterbury	Neutral
	29.03.19	Year 10 v Hayes	Neutral
	29.03.19	Year 12 v Northfleet	Away

RESULTS

RUGBY				
Sevens	21.03.19	U13 7s at Eltham College Kent	Away	TBA
BASKETBALL				





National	18.03.19	Year 9 v Trinity Crawley	Away	Lost 50-47
	20.03.19	Year 7 v NTC and Canterbury	Home	Won 18-6 v Northfleet Won 34-28 v Canterbury

Coming up

Upcoming Trips and Visits

Bird College Royal Festival of Music at Festival Hall – 26 March

Year 12 UCAS Convention at Excel – 26 March

School Production of Oliver! – 27 March

Epping Forest – Year 12 – 28 March

Brighton University – Year 12 and 13 – 28 March

School Production of Oliver! – 28 March

School Production of Oliver! – 29 March

PA Quiz Night – 30 March

Mothers Day – 31 March

‘Everybody’s Talking About Jamie’ – Year 12 – 1 April

Spring Concert – 2 April

Community Afternoon Tea – 24 April

Students on Site – one arriving at 6.40am earlier this term!

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.

As the title suggests, one student arrived at 6.40am earlier this term – just ten minutes after the first member of the site team – as we hope you understand, this is really not acceptable.





**BETHS
GRAMMAR
SCHOOL**



**Excellence – Community
Respect - Nurture**

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.

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



Beths Grammar School



@Bethsgs



Beths Grammar