



Week ending Friday 10 May 2019

BFI London Trip

On Friday last week, nine Year 10 students studying Spanish attended a film study day at the BFI in London.

They were given questions to answer regarding the short films they were about to see. Afterwards, they described film posters (in the new GCSE style) and watched a Mexican film, 'La Jaula de Oro', about young Guatemalan immigrants trying to cross borders to reach the United States.

There were also opportunities to participate, to learn new vocabulary and ideas and to know more about Hispanic culture. Our students did an amazing job answering questions in front of a cinema packed with peers from around the country.

I may be biased but I would genuinely say that they contributed the best information and in Spanish! There were gasps from the audience... It was great!

Thank you for a great day, Year 10, and you should be proud of yourselves!

Miss Price

North Kent Football Final

Unfortunately the U12 football match against St Columbas was postponed on Wednesday due to the heavy rain. When we are advised of the new date for the match we shall let you know. We hope you will all be able to make the re-match and give our students some well-deserved support!

The U16s match against Hurstmere takes place today at 5.00pm at Fleetdown FC. Good luck everyone!!

National Basketball Finals

The National Basketball Final are being held today in Manchester. We will let you know how our U12 team got on our social media posts throughout the day!





Last day for Year 11 Students

Yesterday was the last day for our Year 11 students allowing them to prepare for their forthcoming GCSE exams. Don't forget that students will still have the opportunity to attend timetabled lessons, should they wish to do so, and teachers will be available to provide extra support up until the end of this half term.

A reminder that students should arrive at least 15 minutes before the exam is scheduled and should wear full school uniform. Morning examinations start at 9.00am and afternoon examinations start at 1.30pm.

Good luck to everyone sitting exams in the coming weeks.

House Hero's April/May 2019

Each month our House Co-Ordinator awards six 'House Heroes'. Teachers are asked to nominate students that they feel have displayed the Beths Core Values. This month's 'House Heroes' are:

Abbey	Thabiso M	8A
Brampton	Frankie L	10B
Cray	Alexander S	7C
Eardley	Omotayo B	10E
Hurst	Sachin M	9H
Wickham	Owen W	10W

For further details as to why they received the House Hero Accolade, please follow the below link:
<https://www.beths.bexley.sch.uk/page/?title=House+Hero&pid=208>

Comedy Night

The PA are proud to present their ever popular, Comedy Night, hosted by Out of Bounds Comedy.co.uk.

Tickets cost £10.00 per person and this is for over 18's only!

Come and enjoy some comedy performances, drinks and snacks!

Please contact beths.parents.association@gmail.com for more information and tickets.

OUT OF BOUNDS COMEDY.CO.UK
18+ Tickets £10
Please email the PA to order beths.parents.association@gmail.com
Friends welcome!

Saturday 8 June 2019
Beths Grammar School PA
Entrance via main School reception
Doors at 7.00pm – Show starts at 8.00pm

Headline Act
The Raymond and Mr Timpkins Revue simply have to be seen to be believed. They are without a doubt the maddest, wilkiest, stupidest, cleverest, strangest and everything else (as well as the funniest double act of comedians on the circuit). After nearly 20 years on the comedy circuit – because don't think it these boys are great comedians as well as complete killers – Raymond and Mr Timpkins continuously change their wit list with new rearrangements to catch out even the biggest musical know-it-all in the audience.
"A knockout duo – really out there!" - *The Guardian*

Comedians:
Brian Damage & Krystal Brian won the 2012 BBC New Act Competition in April '08 and has won several awards – still to win the best comedy show he is looking consistently at the top of the comedy world. Brian has since become a comedian, but it is again he decided to take comedy as a serious option!
"... as tight and hilarious as they are funny..." - *The Stage*
"Always enjoyable... incredibly funny..." - *The Daily Mail*
"Always there to entertain!" - *Charlie*

Kelsey de Almeida Winner of South East Comedy Festival's Best Newcomer competition award. Ranked by one of the youngest working comedians in the UK. She has supported Stephen K Amos on his UK tour and also performed on the comedy UK tour, as well as being a circuit regular.
"Always ready to be funny. Gosh how now, he's got it!" - *Stephen K Amos*
"Very excellent performance... lots of laughs!" - *Jason Mansford*

AJ Roberts has reached the finals of one of the most prestigious comedy competitions in the country - the 2014 So You Think You're Funny & The Annual Mosaic Laugh off. AJ's comedy is an amazing mix of observational, one liners and story's all delivered in his very own unique style.
"Amused, confused and above all funny!" - *Mark Pegg*

Beths Grammar School Parents Association
Comedy Night
*** Licensed Bar ***
For drinks & snacks

Comedy night performance will contain some adult humour as well as occasional bad language. ADULTS ONLY
Maximum 18 years - 18 and over only. All 18+ shows are subject to the discretion of the venue and the organiser.



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Art Show

On Wednesday 3 July, the Art Department will be hosting their annual Art Show. This will be showcasing all the work that has been created by Art GCSE and A Level students. This show is open to the public and it would be wonderful to see you all there!

If you would like to come along and join us, the Art Show will be taking place between 6.30-8.30pm on 3 July.



Supporting Your Child During Exam Time (Young Minds)

As we start to move towards exam season, Young Minds have launched advice for parents about supporting their children.

Tips include:

- Encourage your child to take revision breaks and find a balance between studying and doing things they find enjoyable and relaxing.
- Make sure they are eating and drinking at regular intervals.
- Reassure them – reinforce that you are and will be proud of them no matter what happens.
- Remain positive and hopeful!
- Let them know their feelings are valid and normal, but also offer support and solutions where possible.
- Anxiety is often worst at night and this means it is useful to encourage a good bedtime routine.

You can find out more here: <https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/parents-guide-to-support-a-z/parents-guide-to-support-exam-time/>.



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.

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.



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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.

Coming up

Upcoming Events

GCE and GCSE Exams commence – 13 May

Emilia – Evening performance 14 May

Last day of Half Term – 24 May

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.

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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