



## Beths Blog

### Week ending Friday 9 March 2018

Last week saw the entire country experiencing adverse weather conditions and, unfortunately, this led to Beths Grammar School being closed last Wednesday and Friday.

A big thank you to all those staff and students who did make it into school on the Thursday and a special thanks to the Site Staff who worked tirelessly to ensure that the school site remained safe for all.

Our Art Technician, Mr Metcalf, filmed a video of the snow falling around the school (a link to which can be found here: <https://vimeo.com/257871245>), plus Mr Neylan became the school photographer for the day taking action shots of students throwing snowballs on the field during their lunch break.



#### **Thursday 8 March**

We were delighted to welcome into school on Thursday, PC Andy Hopton from the Metropolitan Police who gave a couple of very successful sessions to Year 10 and 11 students warning them about the dangers of knife crime and gang culture. It is hoped that we will be able to run a session for Year 9 students during the summer term.

#### **Wednesday 7 March**

On Wednesday 28 February our KS3 students were due to be treated to a Chinese New Year assembly, however, this became a casualty of the adverse weather but they were able to put on their performance during this Wednesday's assembly instead. The whole production was done in Chinese by students currently studying the subject and they all dressed in typical Chinese attire. Look out for photos and a detailed account in next week's Blog.

#### **Lord of the Flies**

Our School Production – Lord of the Flies – will be taking place on Wednesday 21 and Thursday 22 March and we warmly invite parents and carers to come along and join us for what promises to be an

excellent performance. Students will probably be aware of the 'Vote Ralph'/'Vote Jack' campaign currently being waged in school and we have further information about the performance and the cast on our website at: <https://www.beths.bexley.sch.uk/page/?title=Performing+Arts&pid=26>. Tickets will shortly be on sale so do come along and support the show.

On a more serious note, members of the public have been in touch with us this week. One of our neighbours who frequently has issues with people parking across their driveway and another was from a lady who nearly ran a couple of our boys over as parents had parked on the zig zag lines outside of the school. Please can we remind all staff, visitors, parents and carers that they should be both respectful to our neighbours when dropping off and picking up their children and also adhere to the road markings – the zig zag lines are there for a reason and student safety is our utmost priority. Thank you.