

# **BETHS PE NEWSLETTER**



## 27TH NOVEMBER – 21ST DECEMBER

## **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November**

Year 7 A Football v Howard of Effingham (National Cup)



First ten minutes, we dominated possession of the ball. Awesome made an awesome pass to a rapid As'ad who got our first goal. From there, we just kept the flow going. Yemi gets fouled in the box and gets us a penalty. He gracefully gave the responsibility of taking the penalty to Raphael. Raphael missed the first shot but followed it up to make it 2 - 0 to Beths. We had many chances after that but we weren't clinical enough. However, before the half ended, Yemi broke through on goal and scored. It was halftime before our opposition lighted up with a few chances with their tall man upfront. Just before they could score, Caleb scores from a brilliant solo run. It is 4 - 0 to Beths. Before we could celebrate and think this game was over, our opposition scored 2 goals in the speed of light. Luckily, we managed to hold on and win this game.

Written by Awesome 7B



## Tuesday 28th November

#### Year 8 Basketball v Eden Park (Kent Cup)

We got off to a good start in the first quarter and we played very well on defence. We did end up committing a lot more fouls than we should have. In the second and third quater Eden Park played very well and the score was very close. In the fourth quater although we didn't score that much we played excellent with our interior defence. Massive shout out to Remi, Emmanuel, Nathan, Pistis, Ethan, David, Joshua, Daniel

#### Written by Pistis 8A

#### Year 9 Rugby v St. Olaves (Friendly)

On a 7 game winning streak ahead of this game, spirits were high as wished to extend this monstrous streak. We kicked off and started off brilliantly, denying our opponents access to their own 22. This domination led to our first try curtesy of a powerful run by Temi who scored under the posts. 7-0. Only minutes later, we had a scrum on the halfway line and decided to run a 'S1' move, which paid dividends as Josh ran through to score our 2nd try. 14-0. Once again, we were dominating the possession and smoothly scored our 3rd as Temi glided past their defense after a pick and go from the scrum, to score our 3rd. 21-0. Our opponents did have chances; however, we were superb in defense and perfected turnovers time and time again. Later on, towards the end of the half, we were in again as a weighted pass to Temi, saw him score his 3rd and our 4th try of the game. 26-0.

An obliterative first half had our heads high, but we still had to be grounded as we wanted to keep a clean sheet. Unfortunately, in the 2nd half, we were going uphill and our opponents downhill, which aided them in scoring their 1st try. 26-7. Nonetheless, we persevered on, despite the occasional handling errors, we still looked ferocious to score. It took some time, but in the end, it happened, with a fantastic solo effort by Lami, to score under the posts. 33-7. We found a flow as the next try came quickly after several phases of gaining metres we were a few metres short of the line, which Mateusz ate up to score our 6th. 40-7. Finally, an effort on the blindside saw Ollie draw and give the ball to Daniel D who scored right in the corner. 45-7. Very good win, with some amazing defensive efforts. Man of the match was Ethan D, rightfully deserved due to his bravery in his tackling against their biggest players.

MOTM: Ethan D

Written By: Neel P.

## Wednesday 29th November

#### 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Gravesend GS (League)

Gravesend Grammar v Beth's gave us a good battle at the start of the season with a new team and didn't hesitate to bring the heat to our home ground at Hartford Road. A slow start from Beth's allowed them to take advantage with an early lead at the start the first half but this sparked a fire in the Beth's squad, entering the second half with something to prove. Tactical subs from Mr Webb and a great finish from David OB made the game finish at a narrow 2 points to 1, increasing our lead at the top of the league and setting us off nicely for the new year. Good 3 points!

Written by Prince

## **Monday 4th December**

#### Year 7 Basketball v Sevenoaks School (Friendly)

#### Lost 50 - 40

An excellent performance by the year seven basketball team in their inaugural match against Sevenoaks School. The hard work and training under the guidance of Nauros, lead the team to an early lead, which they only let slip in the final minutes. The level of skill shown, not simply in attack, but also their enthusiasm to defend was impressive. Slick passing and some excellent shots allow the team to stay in contention throughout.

Although a good performance, there is plenty for the team to work on, and we look forward to seeing how they develop in the coming months as they strive to make the County final.

#### 9A Football v Bexleyheath Academy (North Kent Cup)

It was the first game of the North Kent Cup and we knew that it was an important game to win in our group. Beths comfortably won the game 6-0 with Erik coming on in the second half to secure his hattrick. Beths look ahead to the 4<sup>th</sup> round of the national cup which is to be played on Tuesday against Ravens Wood school.

Goals: Erik Poga (x3), Josh Odaro, Ethan Makambe, Tio Rabiu

MOTM: Erik Poga 9W

## Tuesday 5th December

#### **9A Football v Ravens Wood (National)**

Beths started the game well and they created a few attacks in the first 10 minutes. However, Ravenswood began to get into the game with a few chances down the left wing. The game was pretty even until Ravenswood's striker was through on goal only to be taken down by Finn. The referee waved the game on, a bit of luck for Beths. Beths thought they had made it to the second half until Ravenswood's left winger was put through on goal and he buried it in the bottom corner. The second half started slow, with Beths on the back foot. Ravenswood created chance after chance until after a few consecutive corners, they scored from a header: 2-0. The rest of the game Beths tried to get back into it, but they never found a way through. Final score 2-0 to Ravenswood

#### Sam Edwards 9E





## Wednesday 6th December

#### 1st XI Girls v Ravens Wood

In their first ever game for the school the Girls 1<sup>st</sup> XI faced a tough Ravens Wood side. Beths started well and were positive going forward, however Ravens Wood took an early lead with a good finish. The game was competitive with both sides working hard and playing some great football, however Ravens Wood continued to be clinical in front of goal and increased their advantage. Beths pushed in the second half to try and get a goal back, but the Ravens Wood goalkeeper was as talented as their attackers. Despite the final result, the Beths players enjoyed themselves and did the school proud – well done to all involved!

Mr Webb





## Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December

#### Year 7A v Bexley Grammar (North Kent Cup)

As Bexley Grammar started the game off we got an easy tackle from the defenders and got it to the wing. It was like a scramble in the box and then the ball came out to demi and he volleyed it precisely in the bottom corner. After that we let in a sloppy goal. As we got back on offence we got a good pass to Raphael who followed through with an easy goal. Bexley grammar earned a throw on and got it straight over the defenders. The ball was in the air and their striker headed it right over our keeper. It was 2:2 and it was getting really scrappy, but Caleb got a goal right at the end securing the 3:2 win.

Written by Morgan B 7B

#### Year 7B v Tunbridge Wells GS (Kent Cup ¼ Final)

Started badly with a few mistakes leading to shots and many brilliant saves by our keeper, Maxwell Brauer. Tunbridge Wells GS were dominating in the first half with about ten shots on target to our two. But we kept it 0-0. During the second half, they kept pushing to get a goal but we had more attacks. At the last minute, they scored a goal from inside the box. Seconds later, the referee blew the whistle.

Man of the match was Lucas Musgrove.



## Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

#### Year 10 v Eden Park (Kent Cup)

#### 3-0 to Beths

It was a very dominant performance from Beths who continue to improve every game. After a slow start Beths began to control possession and create many goal scoring opportunities, where the players knew it was only a matter of time before they got the breakthrough. Finally, minutes into the second half, a composed David C was able to find Raynon's feet, who turned and calmly dribbled past the defenders and goalkeeper to slide it into the bottom corner. An excellent goal and a well deserved 1-0 lead. With around 20 minutes left Beths continued to push, and score two more very similar goals.

It was an excellent team performance but a special mention to Will and the back four for keeping a clean sheet, and to Raynon who scored a superbly taken hat-trick.

They will now face St Pauls in the quarter final of the Kent Cup!

Mr Webb





## Saturday 9th December

#### Year 7 - 9 Rugby v Robert Clack

Year 7

A wet and windy Saturday but that did not stop us or put our spirit down.

We met with Robert Clark(who came down from Essex) at Home. The match started at fly-half Baranaby scored a wonderful try by exploiting the space created but Robert Clack weren't going down without a fight and came back with a try. Both teams went back and forth with tries until it got to 35-25 to Robert Clack. Jinmi scored a wonderful try, running through all of their team and everyone celebrated and the parents cheered. Then, captain Logan was inspired by Jinmi's try and scored one for himself. 35-35. Robert Clack knew they had to comeback and so they did. They passed it out to their fastest player and he ran past everyone. 40-35. How were we going to come back? We won a throw-in and knew what we had to do. Pass it to captain Logan and he will score. And he did. 40-40. Mr Temple says next try wins so both teams-determined to score next- put their heart on the line to score but neither team could. Final whistle blows and both teams shake hands.



## Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December

#### 7A Football v Royal Russell (National Cup)

Beths started well and were unlucky not to go ahead early on, with some great saves from the Royal Russell goalkeeper. Raphael, Yemi and As'ad continued to pile on the pressure, with Caleb also hitting the post. Then, with a long ball, the Royal Russell striker suddenly found himself in a 1v1 situation to which he comfortably slotted it past Riley to go 1-0 up. Beths responded well and were determined to get an equaliser. However, with a free kick on the halfway line, the RR keeper stepped up and struck the ball cleanly into the top corner – a fantastic goal to double their lead. Despite dominating play, Beths found themselves 3-0 down, but straight from KO Caleb decided to take things into his own hands, and dribble past the whole of their team to poke the ball past the keeper, 3-1 to RR at half time.

In the second half Beths gave it their all to make a comeback. Mason and Awesome were superb in defence, and substitutes Sargam and Demi proved a threat going forward. Finally, with 5 minutes remaining Yemi is able to get a well deserved goal, however it was too little too late as RR were able to hang on and secure their spot in the 6<sup>th</sup> round of the National Cup. A tough loss, but lots to learn for our year 7's who continue to improve and show great spirit.

Mr Webb





#### Year 10 Basketball v Northfleet (Kent Cup)

Beths won 66 - 64!

## Thursday 14th December

9A Football v Trinity (North Kent Cup)

The game started intense with many chances from Beth's testing the keeper, but the defence was tight. Shortly after, Beth's slotted one in and maintained control for the first half. After understanding how they play, Beth's started the second half with an enthusiasm like no other scoring two very good goals by Tobenna Aboh and Ethan Daley, then a final by a penalty scored by Rhys Wells. Soon after the game ended, and Beth's have advanced in our group stage.

Goals: Tobenna Aboh (x2), Ethan Daley 9E, Rhys Wells 9E

MOTM: Tobenna Aboh 9E

Written by Josh Odaro 9W

## Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December

#### 7 Rugby Festival

An exciting series of Games gave the year 7 squad a chance to build on a series of excellent recent performances. Captained for the first time by Marc, the boys fought out a really competitive opening fixture, where some excellent tackling by Maxwell and powerful forward runs by the captain himself, resulted in a 2-2 draw. The second fixture saw us take to the field against Langley Park and although twice being in the lead, we were again held to a 2-2 draw. We can all agree that the performance from the first game was an impressive step up and showed how much the team has progressed.



## Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December

#### **7A Football v Hurstmere (North Kent Cup)**

Following their defeat in the National Cup, this Beths year 7 side were looking forward to redeeming themselves against local rivals Hurstmere however they knew it was not going to be an easy task.

Beths started quickly and went 1-0 up with a confident finish from Raphael. Hurstmere responded quickly and with some good play from their right winger, were able to equalise with a well taken header from their striker. It was clear this was going to be an entertaining match, with both sides battling it out and playing some excellent football, where either side could win. 1-1 at half time.

Into the second half and both teams continue to create goal scoring opportunities, however it is Hurstmere who are more clinical and within quick succession, go ahead 3-1. Beths respond brilliantly and are unfortunate not to get a goal back, with Caleb and Awesome dominating the

midfield, and Yemi continuing to be a threat in the final third. Despite their best efforts, Beths concede another late on and lose 4-1. A result that arguably does not reflect the performance.

Although this side have not had much luck this year, they show great potential and continue to improve every game. They have done us proud, and we look forward to their success in years to come!

Mr Webb





## **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

#### **U18 Basketball v Gravesend (Kent Cup)**

A rematch of last year's County final between Gravesend and Beths Grammar School was always going to provide a great deal of interest. Gravesend were passionately supported by a host of sixth formers, beating drums, and jeering our every success. Still, the boys rose to the occasion, taking an early lead in the first quarter, 18 points to 12. A number of outstanding baskets by Zion left Gravesend chasing shadows. Whilst the defence forced them to take a number of three-pointers which fell well short of the mark. The game ebbed and flowed throughout the next 2 quarters, until we reached the final five minutes. The game could easily have gone either way, but unfortunately it slipped away from us, as fatigue set in and the impassioned support of the Gravesend students lifted their team to victory.

## Tuesday 19th December

#### U18 Basketball v Hayes (Kent Cup)

#### Lost 86 - 71

Another great performance by the year 11 basketball team, which saw them sadly for just short of victory against Hayes. The game was probably lost in the first quarter when the team turned around 18 points behind. However, through the second and third quarters we managed to get the lead down to 8 points, some excellent defensive performances when we moved to man to man marking. Unfortunately, we were never able to get any closer, and although Eyad sank a number of baskets late on. Hayes ran out victors, 86 to 71.

## So far...

## Viewing: All Sports; 2023/24; All Age Levels

Sport		# Teams	Р	W	D	L	Win Ratio	More Details
Vice	Basketball	6	12	8	0	4	66.7%	<b>&gt;</b>
•	Football	11	55	37	0	18	67.3%	<b>&gt;</b>
<u>(15)</u>	Rugby Union	6	35	13	3	19	37.1%	<b>•</b>
Totals:		23	102	58	3	41	56.9%	



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