

# Beths Blog Week ending Friday 28 September 2018

#### **International Dress Day**

We celebrated International Week with a special 'International Fancy Dress Day' on Wednesday. Students and staff came in wonderful outfits, from all over the world and showcased a number of different cultures. It was great to see so many of the school community participating and raising money for a fabulous charity, WaterAid. Information on how much we raised will be posted on social media shortly, so please keep an eye out!







#### **International Menu**

One of the best parts of this week was the food! From Mexico to Japan, America to Germany, the food was amazing! For more photos, check out our social media posts!





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# **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Thursday saw the staff raise money for Macmillan by hosting their own coffee and cake morning. We will post the total raised shortly on social media so keep a look out!

# 'Welcome to Beths' Evening

On Thursday evening we hosted a small informal event for the parents of our new Year 7 Students. Parents were able to meet the Form Tutors, the Head of Year, Key Stage 3 Manager and Headteacher and to find out how their sons were settling into Beths. The evening also gave them the opportunity to meet with other parents and share their experiences so far.

#### **Sport**

#### **FIXTURES**

FOOTBALL					
Kent	01.10.2018	U16 Invicta v Bonus Pastor	Home		
	03.10.2018	U14 v Woolwich	Home		
League	03.10.2018	1 <sup>st</sup> XI V Hayes	Home		
		2 <sup>nd</sup> XI V Farringtons	Away		
RUGBY					
NatWest Bowl	03.10.2018	U15 v Dartford GS	Home		
Friendly	06.10.2018	U12A v Maidstone GS	Home		
		U12B v Maidstone GS	Home		
		U14 v Maidstone GS	Home		
		U13 v Maidstone GS	Away		
		U15 v Maidstone GS	Away		

# **RESULTS**

FOOTBALL						
<u>Kent</u>	24.09.2018	U12B V Bishop Justus	<u>Home</u>	<u>5-1 (Won)</u>		
		<u>U13 V Ravensbourne</u>	<u>Home</u>	2-3 (Lost)		
	25.09.2018	U12A V Ravensbourne	<u>Home</u>	2-2 (AET) 6-5 (Pens) (Won)		
	27.09.2018	U16 V Norton Knatchbull	<u>Away</u>	<u>2-5 (Beths)</u>		
<u>League</u>	26.09.2018	1 <sup>st</sup> XI V Gravesend	<u>Away</u>	<u>2-1 (Lost)</u>		
		2 <sup>nd</sup> XI V Christ the King	<u>Home</u>	1-5 (Lost)		
<u>Friendly</u>	27.09.2018	U14 v Cleeve Park	<u>Home</u>	7-1 (Won)		
ESFA Elite	27.09.2018	U14 V TWGS	Away (TBC)	Postponed (11.10.2018)		
<u>RUGBY</u>						
<u>Friendly</u>	22.09.2018	Simon Langton U12A	<u>Home</u>	<u>10-10</u>		
		<u>U12B</u>	<u>Home</u>	<u>0-15 (Lost)</u>		
		<u>U15</u>	<u>Home</u>	<u>14-35 (Lost)</u>		
		<u>U13</u>	<u>Away</u>	<u>45-35 (Won)</u>		
		<u>U14</u>	<u>Away</u>	34-24 (Won)		
NatWest Bowl	26.09.2018	1st XV V Brentwood	Away	Withdrew		
<u>Kent</u>	26.09.2018	U15 V Howard	<u>Home</u>	50-7 (Won)		
<u>Friendly</u>	25.09.2018	<u>U13 V Hurstmere</u>	<u>Home</u>	<u>35-5 (Won)</u>		
	29.09.2018	<u>U14 V Hurstmere</u>	Away	Result next week		

#### Coming up

#### **Year 13 Trial Exams**

Year 13 Trial Exams start on Monday and continue until the end of Monday 8 October. Students will return to normal lessons on Tuesday 9 October. These exams, when the results are in, will hopefully shed a light on where the students are academically and will give them potential end of year grades to help determine their future, whether they decide University is the right move, or internships, college, apprenticeships etc. Good luck to all students sitting the trial exams.

## **Student Council Meeting**

The first of our Student Council Meetings begins on Thursday 4 October, kicking off with the Year 7 meeting. The main agenda points that will be discussed in this meeting will be how the new Year 7 students have settled in and will review previous comments from past Year 7 meetings.

#### **Work Experience Meeting**

On Thursday 4 October we will be hosting a short Work Experience meeting for parents in the Hall from 17.30-18.30. Parents will be advised on ways to help their son find a placement and the processes that will be undertaken ahead of him taking up the placement on 1 July 2019.

#### **Open Day Events**

October sees the beginning of our Open Events. First up we are inviting Year 6's to visit the school. Tuesday 9, Wednesday 17 and Tuesday 30 October are our Open Mornings, with Thursday 11 being our evening event. We would like to remind students and parents that, due to the Open Evening, there will be an early finish of 12.50 on Thursday 11 October and a late start of 10.00 on Friday 12 October. We expect all students to be on their best behaviour, as always, and are thankful to all students who will be helping us out by showing prospective parents and pupils around the school. Parents and carers should expect a letter from the school shortly with further details about timings and expectations.

#### <u>Traffic</u>

We have been advised by Thames Water of works that are going to be carried out in Bexley Village between 01.10.2018-05.10.2018 and again from 08.10.2018-12.10.2018.

We have been advised that there will be two way traffic lights in the village. We will be expecting heavy traffic during the above dates so please make sure you allow yourself adequate time to arrive at school.

Should we receive any further update from Thames Water or Bexley Coucil, we shall let you know.

#### **PA Quiz Night**

Quiz

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By popular demand the quiz night returns! Swat up and bring your friends and family – let's see who's the smartest! It is arranged for Saturday 17 November and you can book tables for up to eight via the PA at <a href="mailto:beths.parents.association@gmail.com">beths.parents.association@gmail.com</a>.

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#### **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.