



Becket Keys Church of England School

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CURRICULUM

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Curriculum Matters

Why do teachers teach? A question that we often ask teachers when they join Becket Keys is 'what made you want to be a teacher?' One of the most popular answers, happily, is 'to work with and help young people'. Another very popular answer is 'passion for my subject'.

We have taken teachers back to this fundamental principle recently, and asked them to review the curriculum with this in mind. What do we really want our students to learn? What content is non-negotiable in our subject, and what is the best way to teach it? What will students be able to take from our subject into the wider world?

At Becket Keys we are proud that we have an engaging, challenging

and robust curriculum that covers the National Curriculum and more, across all subjects and key stages. We have asked ourselves important questions about what we want students to learn and when; making sure that units of work are logically sequenced to build on prior learning and to maximise progress. We also make sure that we revisit certain skills and topics at regular intervals, so that students can retain information better in their long term memory. We have 'Learning Journey' displays around school in subject areas, so that students can see the learning journey that they are on.

In order to see our curriculum for yourselves, please visit our website. If you click on the 'The School' tab, you will find an area called 'curriculum'. This will take

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you to our Programmes of Study for every year group in every subject. For each unit of work, the key knowledge and skills to be learnt will be outlined, together with assessment opportunities and key words that students need to know and understand.

The links to the curriculum on the website can be found here:

Key Stage 3:

<https://www.becketkeys.org/curriculumks3.php>

Key Stage 4:

<https://www.becketkeys.org/curriculumks4.php>

Key Stage 5:

<https://www.becketkeys.org/curriculumks5.php>

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Trebess
Deputy Headteacher



Face Coverings? Where do we stand?

Current guidance is that schools should recommend and expect students to wear masks in the following areas:

- Corridors
- Communal toilets
- Bistro/Orangery/Deli queue

The reason we are encouraging this is because our corridors are not well ventilated compared to our classrooms and this means that "germs" can linger for longer. Wearing a face covering stops the transmission of saliva droplets given off by us when we speak and breathe.

With this in mind, please provide your son/daughter with a face covering (where possible in school colours: black, purple, gold, grey or white). If we all do our bit between lessons as well as following all of our other guidance, we can slow the spread of this virus that has significantly

affected our lives so far and therefore keep our school open!

If you are unsure about anything we have in place, please do not hesitate to contact any member of staff in school.

Mr. Shields
Assistant Headteacher



Homework Club is available for all students. Every afternoon after school students can stay until 4.20pm and complete their homework in C11.

Using Homework Club is just one way we provide for students who do not want to leave site at 3.10pm. Avoid the traffic! Stay here for a while!

Year 8 Extracurricular Opportunities

Day	Before School 7.30–8.15	Lunchtime 11.50–12.40	After-School 3.20–4.30
Monday	Squad Gymnastics (Main Hall)	Christian Union (W01)	Orchestra (Runcie) IT Helpdesk (W03) Debate Club (J16) History Club (J13) Netball (Sports Hall) Boys' Football (Astro) Time To Shine (RH1) Food Club (W31)
Tuesday	Open Gym (Sports Hall)	Technical crew 1pm–1.30pm (RH1)	Choir (Runcie) Girls' Football (Astro) KS3 Science Club (W23) Creative Writing (C24) KS3 Maths Support (J27) Maths Challenge (J25) Film Club (C25) Numeracy Club (J24) Food Club (W31)
Wednesday	Squad Gymnastics (Main Hall)	12.10–12.40 Mandarin excellence programme (C36)	
Thursday			Mixed Basketball (Sports Hall) Stage Band (Runcie) Dance Club (RH2)
Friday		Time to shine 12–12.30pm (RH2)	Rock Band (Runcie) IT Club (W01)

CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

Tuesday 3.15–4.15pm

For anyone who loves writing stories, poetry, plays and anything creative



FOR YEARS 7 TO 11



Room C24

Everyone welcome



Year 7, 8 and 9 Mandarin Clubs



Mandarin Excellence Programme



Year 7 Monday	Year 8 Wednesday	Year 9 Tuesday
1:00 --- 1:30pm	12:10 --- 12:40pm	12:10 --- 12:40pm
Miss Lin	Mrs. Zhang	Mrs. Zhang



All MEP clubs will start from the week commencing 20th Sept in C36.

The clubs are for Year 7, 8 and 9 Mandarin Excellence Programme students only.

How to Join a Club

1. Students turn up to a club they want to try and they are welcomed along.
2. Over the next few weeks, students can try different things and see how they get on.
3. Registers start to be written and then used to check that students are regularly turning up.
4. Students that attend three times are then effectively expected to make a commitment to stick with the club. It is not fair on others to chop and change!

If you have questions about the clubs and societies, please contact the school in the usual ways. Miss Schafer has oversight of our extra-curricular programme and will be well placed to help you. You can contact her here:

<https://www.becketkeys.org/contact.php>



MONDAY	TUESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>KS3 'TIME TO SHINE' 3.15pm-4.15pm RH1 (Mrs Palmer)</p> <p>YR9 & YR10 'PAGE TO STAGE' 3.15PM-4.15pm RH2 (Mrs Condon)</p>	<p>KS3 & KS4 'TECHNICAL CREW' 1pm-1.30pm RH1 (Mrs Barr)</p> <p>KS4 'Practical Showcase Rehearsals' 3.15pm-4.15pm RUNCIE HALL (Mrs Barr)</p>	<p>KS5 'Applause Co.' 3.15pm-4.15pm RH2 (Mrs Barr)</p>	<p>KS3 'TIME TO SHINE' 12.00pm-12.30pm RH2 (Mrs Barr)</p> <p>KS5 Applause Co. 3.15pm-4.15pm RUNCIE HALL (Mrs Barr/Mrs Palmer)</p>



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4.1 (Lunch 1)			*THEORY CLUB BAM	YEAR 7 KEYBOARD ORCHESTRA	
4.2 (Lunch 1)				YEAR 8 KEYBOARD ORCHESTRA	
3:15pm	<i>Orchestra</i>	CHOIR	FORTE DRUMMING	STAGE BAND	ROCK FACTORY

Note: Students who would like to rehearse in a music room at lunchtime need to book the room. This can only be done on the morning of the day you wish to book.

Made at Becket Keys Design & Technology Department

A new year in the workshop means new opportunity for design creativity, practical development, and the opportunity to make something from start to finish that hopefully will be kept for years to come. However, before we look ahead to this year, it is worth celebrating some of the many successes (there are too many to name) of the past year 7's who have just moved into year 8.

Despite one of the most challenging years we have all faced at school, the below students are a great example of the Becket Keys mentality and the high standards that each student sets for themselves!

For the new Year 7s who have just started this year, I hope you are as excited as we are down in the DT department to start this



project. We will start it next term and put your woodworking skills to the test!

Mr Bunyan
Head of Design & Technology



Konrad Buczak worked hard every lesson to ensure the joints of his box were perfect and it really shows. A great example of year 7 patience and perseverance in the workshop.



Although Mark Uthumpa accidentally cut one side of his box too small, it has resulted in a new design for the year 7 storage box technical make practical. A 'happy accident' that has resulted in a lovely piece of work.



For those that complete their work quickly and to a high standard, there are always ways we can develop and improve, as seen here in this example.

Wanting their box to have some dividers in for different items, a rigid card was used and with accurate measuring and cutting, a divider was inserted into the box.

This is the 'master' created by the DT department for students to try and replicate, stamped proudly with a laser engraved Becket Keys badge.



Road Safety



Did you know?

Teenagers are more at risk on the roads than they think. Most teenagers do not realise that they are more likely to be killed or injured in a road collision than any other age group. Find out how to help your teenager stay safe.

Help protect your child

Please talk to your son or daughter and reinforce road safety messages to help keep them safe:

- stress the need to concentrate and be careful at all times;
- warn of the dangers of distractions – listening to music, texting, phoning or even chatting to friends while walking are big distractions;
- keep talking about the dangers of traffic;

- point out people who are endangering themselves;
- encourage your teenager to practise judging the speed and distance of approaching vehicles on busy roads and identify safe gaps in the traffic;
- stress that you should never lose concentration and follow others blindly into dangerous situations.

Cycling

It is a good idea to:

- buy and encourage your son or daughter to wear a cycle helmet, and something fluorescent and reflective to improve visibility;
- encourage your son or daughter never to take lifts on the back of a friend's bike;
- remind your son or daughter not to listen to music while they are cycling;
- make sure your child is aware that cyclists must obey all traffic signs and traffic light signals.

Becket Keys has always had an outstanding reputation for the way our students behave when they are going home. We have teachers who walk with the students towards the High Street, however please remind your son/daughter to be considerate of other people and families using Sawyers Hall Lane, whether in cars or pedestrians and to acknowledge their thanks if they are given the right of way. We understand that the pavements may be congested so students must be patient and considerate.

We would also remind parents to take care and be mindful of pedestrians and other drivers when travelling. We do not want any student to be injured so please avoid driving down Sawyers Hall Lane if you can and meet your son/daughter at another location The Brentwood Centre is ideal and only a short walk away.

More information on road safety: <http://think.direct.gov.uk/education/secondary/>



New Staff – Welcome to Becket Keys!



Mrs Mullan Food Teacher

What an exciting time to be teaching a practical subject again after the time we have all had to endure online! It's a joy to see students getting involved with real ingredients and producing fabulous results!

My career journey started in banking of all things, specifically stockbroking for high-net-worth individuals. It required me to study for some of the toughest exams of my life. Futures, options, and equity trading exams and of course the super mind-numbing taxation and regularity certificates. I can remember a sensation of thinking that I had absorbed so much information that if I didn't keep my head still it might all fall out! I had an exciting time trading on several exchanges around the world and the fast pace, quick thinking, and exciting characters I

worked alongside still make me smile to this day.

Having my first child brought new challenges however, how on earth can one trade and be a hands-on parent? I decided that my passion for art and teaching would be an excellent match for a perfect balance of career and parenthood. With my degree in Art and Design (Leeds Metropolitan University) and newly acquired PGCE at Anglia University (The art and pottery department incidentally; was on the site of Phoenix Day nursery, Merrymeade) I became an Art and Design specialist.

It wasn't long into teaching (probably no more than a term or two!) when I was asked to teach DT. I can still remember my class made an oscillating wooden toy. I really enjoyed the variation of teaching across different departments and thrived on the positivity and energy I witnessed when students are engaged in practical tasks. Another term or two went by and I was asked to teach Food Technology. That was a mere 18 years ago and since then I have hopped between practical subjects and loved every minute (ok maybe not all the marking.) But I still find it incredibly rewarding when students proudly show me their creations!

In a warm, inclusive, and safe environment I have found the

Food Technology department at Becket Keys not only achieves super exam results, but we also pride ourselves on setting a standard for life long healthy eating.

With my own interest in healthy eating and fitness (I'm often seen pounding the pavements by my students!) it is this element of being a food technology teacher that makes me very proud indeed.



Miss Hanson History Teacher

I have always been interested in History. I am fascinated by the intricate mix of different people and perspectives that it consists of, as well as the challenge of using these to build a picture of the past. When it came to making university choices, I had a dilemma. I found English easier and at the time had thoughts about writing for a career. But I

enjoyed History so much more. I found it harder to achieve the grades I wanted but I had a genuine interest which gave me the motivation to work hard at it. Ultimately, I decided doing something I liked was more important than choosing a degree based on a potential career. Although it was a difficult decision at the time, looking back it was definitely the right one.

I completed my undergraduate degree at the University of Birmingham. I was fortunate enough to be taught by some inspiring tutors who helped cement my passion for the subject. I found the more I learned, the more I wanted to learn. I especially enjoyed modules on the British Empire and 18th and 19th century Britain and I developed a particular interest in the blurred lines between History and imagination, which ended up forming the foundation for my dissertation. When my final year came around, I decided that I wasn't quite ready to leave and so instead I applied for a Masters. I spent the next year studying for an MA in History at Durham University. It was a tough year, but so rewarding.

From University I went on to spend just over a year working in a busy communications agency in Leamington Spa. It was a challenging and exciting job, but I couldn't get away from how much I was missing learning. I also realised my favourite parts of the role were when I was

interacting with others, and I realised a people-based job was what I wanted. Teaching had been at the back of my mind for a while, but it was not until the Covid pandemic struck and turned things upside down that it seemed like a possibility to change track.

I joined Becket Keys last year to complete my teacher training with Billericay Educational Consortium. Despite all the difficulties and disruption, I really enjoyed my time in school and I am so pleased to be returning this year as a fully-fledged member of the History department. It has been lovely to see lots of familiar faces, students and staff alike, in my first few weeks.

When I am not working, I aim to spend as much time as I can outside. I have a passion for horses and have been lucky enough to have my own since my teens. Although it is a challenge fitting this in around a busy job, I can't imagine my life without him! I am also a keen runner and swimmer and hope to complete my first half marathon in a few weeks' time.



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Miss Morgan Science Teacher

Whilst studying Biology at the University of Nottingham, I developed a strong interest in life science and decided that I wanted to help others discover their passion for science by becoming a science teacher. I was then able to combine both my passion for science and teaching as I started my training year and PGCE. My placements during my training included two secondary schools in Nottinghamshire. Working at different schools in a different area to my hometown, really helped me develop and learn about education across the country.

In my spare time I love to play netball and enjoy travelling. I am very grateful for the opportunity to be working in an outstanding school and am very excited to be joining Becket Keys this year as a science teacher.



Miss Walker History Teacher

History is something which since a young age I have shown a love for, especially medieval and religious history. This appreciation for the subject is something that grew even more once I reached secondary school, especially at GCSE where this was solidified. Having gone to University at Royal Holloway I was able to tailor my studies to the exact periods which I enjoyed, focusing on topics such as the Crusades and Papal history meaning I was able to enjoy those eras of history which had fascinated me as a child. This love for the subject led me into teaching; the chance to inspire future generations and to transfer some of this enjoyment to others.

When I got to start my training straight from university, teaching was everything I thought it would be and I felt so grateful being able to express my passion for the subject to others. However five

months in all of this was put on hold due to Covid. This again happened in my NQT year, so starting a new school without completing a full year's teaching has been both exciting and scary. Finally I feel as if I have been given the chance to establish myself as a teacher along with taking on a tutor group. I am looking forward to what this next chapter here holds for me at Becket Keys.

Outside of school I enjoy going to museums and historical places (which is expected as a history teacher), along with spending time with my family and friends. These two activities often link together, getting family members and friends to go to different historical places across the country such as The Tower of London and the Roman Baths.

I am incredibly grateful to all the staff who have supported me in my first few weeks here, establishing myself both within the school and with the various classes. I look forward to developing my teaching and hope to encourage students to enjoy history in the same way that I always have.



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Mr Collins Science Teacher

I am excited to start my career as a teacher at Becket Keys teaching Science. Since first arriving at Becket Keys, I have felt very welcomed by all members of staff, students, and parents that I have met especially as I have recently moved to the area. Originally, I was born in Kent growing up in a town called Sevenoaks where I was always fascinated by natural history and science. I did the International Baccalaureate at Sixth form, where I studied Biology, Chemistry and Geography at Higher level. This led me to read Biology at the University of York. In my final year of studies, I specialised in Neuroscience and Ecology, having had the opportunity to travel around the world studying a wide range of flora and fauna. I am a keen amateur photographer and have many wildlife photos I would love to share with anyone that asks!

Having completed my undergraduate degree, I went on to complete a PGCE in Science at the University of York. I wanted to get into teaching because I have enjoyed working with children for many years, having coached and played tennis and volunteered at my local primary school for three years. I am a keen sportsman, enjoying many different sports including tennis, rugby, and skiing. I am excited to get involved in extracurricular clubs where I can share my knowledge of both sport and science to help the students at school to develop and progress.

As a Christian, I was drawn to this school with Christian values at the centre of everything we do. I am very grateful for this opportunity at Becket Keys and am excited to become a part of this community, hoping to inspire, challenge and support every student.



Mrs Kitchen Mathematics Teacher

I have always seen Mathematics as a subject where going into the unknown to discover something

wonderful. I am passionate about my subject and trying to inspire and help my students see what an amazing subject mathematics is. I don't see it just as a qualification that helps you go further in life and get a good job but as a mystery that needs to be revealed. I remember telling my mathematics teacher that I wanted to be just like her... She was an amazing teacher who inspired me.

After I completed my A Levels, I worked for three years in the community in an attempt to discover the world. A few years later I left my country and worked for an airline industry at the Dubai Airport for 6 years. Though I enjoyed it, I still didn't feel that it was my vocation, therefore, in 2003 I came to the UK to study. It was only in 2007 when I realised that I can still pursue my dream of teaching that I completed a PGCE course at Canterbury Christ Church University. I taught at Shenfield High School until this year, when I joined Becket Keys.

I enjoy being in the classroom surrounded by students and I love mathematics! Other interests include dancing, reading, swimming and travelling which I mostly do (believe it or not!) with my two-year-old son who I adore, and I hope that one day he will share my passion for numbers too.

I am happy to be part of the Becket Keys team and I look forward to meeting you all!

School Transport

Students are strongly encouraged to avoid public transport for their journeys to school wherever possible. As ever, we encourage walking and cycling to school as green modes of travel with clear health benefits. However, we recognise that it will not be feasible for some students to walk/cycle to our site.

If you travel to school by public transport, please make sure that you check the timetable for any changes that have been implemented for the new term.

Remember that you will require a face covering to travel on any public transport.

NIBS Buses

http://www.nibsbuses.com/?page_id=42



First Buses

<https://www.firstgroup.com/essex>

Trains

<https://www.greateranglia.co.uk/>

Food Department

This week's recipe is back by popular demand! All week our Year 8 students have been making Jambalaya, a Creole and Cajun rice dish of West African, French, and Spanish influence. The recipe we used was inspired by my mother. She taught me to make this dish when I was a teenager and I have been making versions of it ever since!

The students have loved making Jambalaya and many requested that we share the recipe, so that they can make it at home. Many of the spices and ingredients we use today, such a chorizo and Cajun spice mix, were simply not available in the UK when I started making it, but the recipe is very versatile. You can adapt it according to what you have in your fridge and cupboards.

To make the dish vegetarian you can replace the meat with diced portobello mushroom and aubergine cubes. To make it vegan, omit the butter.

I hope you enjoy making this at home. We always love to see photos of your home cooking, so if you decide to make Jambalaya yourself, please send your photos to office@becketkeys.org

Mr Shapland
Food Teacher



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Recipe of the Week Jambalaya

Serves 4

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon butter
- 1 onion diced
- 1 Celery stick diced
- 1 pepper, diced
- 1 Carrot diced
- 2 Garlic cloves, chopped
- 150g Chorizo – small cubes
- 1 chicken breast – diced
- 250g Long grain rice
- 1 tablespoon Cajun spice mix – more if you prefer a stronger taste
- 1 tin plum tomatoes
- 1 tablespoon peas
- 1 tablespoon sweetcorn
- 1 chicken or vegetable stock cube dissolved in 500ml water
- Chilli flakes if wanted

- 250-500ml more water, as needed. If the dish becomes dry, but the rice isn't cooked, simply add more water.
- Chopped coriander to garnish

Method:

Fry the meat (or mushroom/aubergine) in the oil. Add the vegetables to the pan and fry until the onion is translucent – about 6 minutes. Add the rice and stir to coat in the oil. Add the Cajun spice mix and stir to coat. Add the stock and tinned tomatoes, stir and simmer for 30 minutes. Top up with water, as necessary, but resist the urge to stir too often as this will break the rice up and you will have a stodgy consistency. After 30 minutes or so, add the peas and sweetcorn and warm through. Garnish with coriander and enjoy!

Home Testing



Covid-19 Home Test Kits

All students have now been offered home test kits. If your child has not received a kit and wants to test, please ask them to collect from reception. More tests will be made available via form tutors towards the end of September to ensure they have enough for continuous testing.

As a reminder, if your son or daughter is taking part in the Covid-19 home testing, please remember to conduct your tests on a **Wednesday and Sunday**.

[Please find here a step-by-step guide to COVID-19 self-testing.](#)

You must upload your results to: <https://testregister.co.uk/login> and then follow the steps to the Government website.

Test Register has been updated, if you need to change any details or if you have any queries regarding this process please contact: office@becketkeys.org



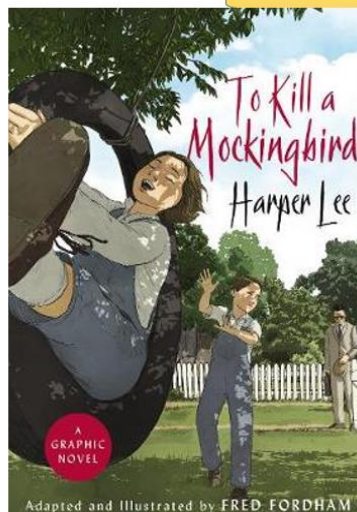
We are pleased to announce that the School Community Prayer Group hosted by our Headteacher Mr Scott-Evans will start again next week on Wednesday 29th September at 8.45am.

This is a short meeting where we pray together for local and national events and for any intentions of those in our school family. All are welcome, please enter via reception.

If you have any prayer intentions, please send them into the school via the office email: office@becketkeys.org



Book of the Month - September



Harper Lee's beloved American classic has been voted the Number One Great American Read.

Now there is a beautifully crafted graphic novel adaptation.

'Shoot all the bluejays you want, if you can hit 'em, but remember it's a sin to kill a mockingbird.'

A haunting portrait of race and class, innocence and injustice, hypocrisy and heroism, tradition and transformation in the Deep South of the 1930s, Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird* remains as important today as it was upon its initial publication in 1960, during the turbulent years of the Civil Rights movement.

Now, Scout, Jem, Boo Radley, Atticus Finch and the small town of Maycomb, Alabama, are all captured in vivid and moving illustrations by artist Fred Fordham.

Harper Lee's timeless novel illuminates the complexities of human nature and the depths of the human heart with humour, unwavering honesty and a tender, nostalgic beauty. Lifetime admirers and new readers alike will be touched by this special visual edition.

Geography Department

Digimap for Schools

The Geography Department would like to welcome you and introduce you to Digimap for Schools; an excellent mapping and Geographical Information System (GIS) which we use in school.

This excellent resource is available to use on any web enabled device and we would like you to explore your local area and wider world with your son/daughter.

Website:

<https://digimapforschools.edina.ac.uk/login>

Username: CM159DA
Password: lathed1328

Help and Guides:

- Quick Guides:

<https://digimapforschools.edina.ac.uk/help/quick-guides/mapsplaces/>

- Help pages:

<https://digimapforschools.edina.ac.uk/help/key-areas/>

- Map Zone:

<https://www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/mapzone/>



Year 11 Students - Sixth Form Event

We would like to invite Year 11 students and their parents to find out more about the Sixth Form at Becket Keys because we want to help you to decide whether our distinctive approach is right for your Sixth Form education.

In order to help you with this choice this year, we are delighted to be able to offer you two opportunities to interact with the school in October. We are hosting an online open evening on **6th October** and we are also hosting a live subject fair on **12th October**, giving students and parents a chance to meet with teachers and discuss subjects face to face. Please see our website for booking details at <https://www.becketkeys6th.org/>. Here you will also find online our Course Guide and other materials that will help you.


Becket Keys Church of England School offers high quality education in an environment in which every student is known, valued and encouraged to achieve their individual potential. The school's strong Christian ethos and its unashamedly traditional approach to education are coupled with high expectations of excellent performance and a commitment to fostering a love of learning in our students.

We appreciate that this is a very difficult time for you with coursework deadlines, mocks to study for and big decisions about your future ahead. We will do everything we can to assist you. We know how important this time in your life is and we look forward to assisting you on the journey!



These events are open to all Year 11 students so please feel free to invite your friends who attend other schools in the area.

World
KITCHEN.


w/c 06.09.21, 27.09.21, 18.10.21, 15.11.21



WEEK TWO

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
TRADITIONAL DISH Beef Spaghetti Meatballs in Chef's Home-made Marinara Sauce, Garlic and Herb slice with Green Salad	Chicken Shawarma with Fluffy White Rice, Khobaz Bread and Fattoush Salad	Slow Roasted Pulled Pork, Apple Compote, Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy	Chinese Lemon Chicken served with Egg Fried Rice and Prawn Crackers	Crispy Battered Pork Sausage, Chunky Chips, and Baked Beans
GLOBAL GUEST Spaghetti with Homemade Veggie Balls Served with a Garlic and Herb slice and Green Salad	Vegetable Kebabs with Fluffy White Rice, Khobaz Bread and Fattoush Salad	Spinach, Red Pepper and Feta Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Teriyaki Tofu Noodles with Five Spice Cauli Bites	Homemade Spicy Bean Burger Chunky Chips and Baked Beans
 Freshly Baked Pepperoni and Mozzarella Pizza Slices	Loaded Paninis Veggie and Meaty Options	Veggie Egg Noodle Pots with a Red Thai Style Broth	Chines Chicken and Special Fried Rice Wraps	All American Beefburger with or without Cheese
 Potato and Chive Soup with Parmesan Croutons	Spiced Parsnip and Ginger Soup with Homemade Bread	French Onion Soup with a Toasted Cheddar Croute	Roasted Butternut and Sage Soup with Crispy Croutons	Tomato and Chilli Soup with Homemade Bread
Hot DELI DELICIOUS DESSERTS Steamed Jam Sponge and Custard	Rich Chocolate Mousse with Lime Cream	Oaty Apple Crunch Bar	Sticky Toffee Pudding Slice	Autumn Fruits Cheesecake

MAIN COURSES SERVED WITH SEASONAL VEGETABLES



Silence
Exams in
progress

EXAM INVIGILATORS REQUIRED!

We are currently looking for Exam Invigilators to join our team for the 2021/22 academic year. We are offering flexible hours with the opportunity to support the school and our students through their GCSE and A Level exams.

Please see the vacancies page of our website for more details and how to apply:
<https://www.becketkeys.org/vacancies.php>

Deadline for applications is 1st October 2021.

Focus on Careers

STEM and Medicine Career Experiences

Ages 12-18 | At UCL and around the UK



This term we are offering students aged 12-18 immersive weekend experiences in 13 different STEM and Medicine-related careers.

Learn from top doctors, engineers, psychologists, investment bankers and more.

Students can attend in-person at UCL or online. Other options include the Universities of Bristol, Birmingham, Manchester and Edinburgh.

We expect to be fully-booked for many of these programmes by September 30th. Students can click on any career below to see full details and register now.

For more details visit the website here:
<https://investin.org/pages/choose-your-career?filter=stem>



Young Professionals free online Careers Event

We have leaders from some of the biggest employers in their industry IBM, HSBC, PwC, bp, University of Bath, Clifford Chance & Capgemini coming to talk to you about how your son / daughter or young person under your care can navigate the job market to find some incredible work experience / internship placements as well as graduate and apprenticeship opportunities. We will be sharing some useful tips around psychometric testing, how to prepare for assessment centres, CV's, and applications as well as lots of information around preparing your child / young person for the workplace / university.

This event is free of charge and it will be running on **Thursday 30th September, 6pm – 7:30pm**. You will have the opportunity to join this event virtually with your son / daughter / and or young person, ask questions you want directly to leading employers and obtain lots of useful information. The booking link can be found below here.

Booking Link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YP-Insight-Evening>

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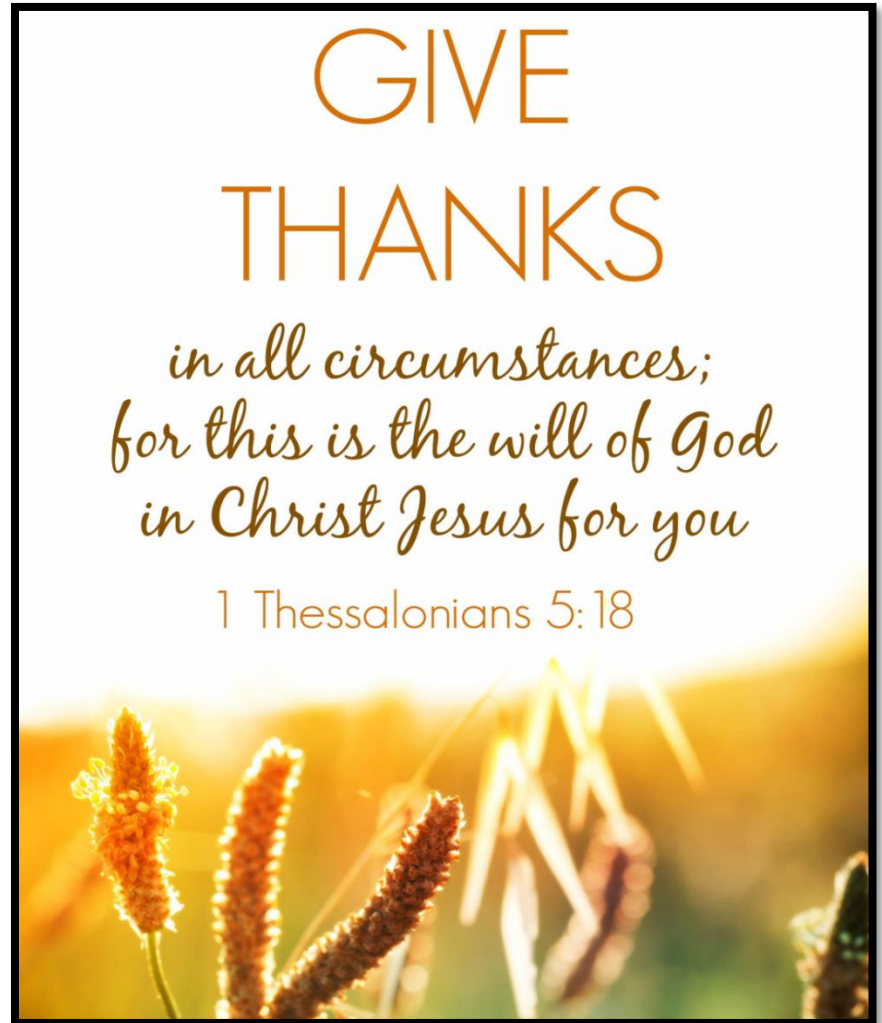
Gratitude and Giving

Gratitude is something that is easy to express when good things happen, but what about when things are difficult and not going as planned?

Gratitude is a virtue most worthy of our cultivation. Indeed, in the life of a Christian, gratitude is to be planted, watered, dressed, and harvested, in all life's situations. C.S. Lewis, in one of his letters, wrote:

"We ought to give thanks for all fortune: if it is 'good,' because it is good, if 'bad' because it works in us patience, humility and the contempt of this world and the hope of our eternal country." In other words, we do not have to muster up a false pleasure in bad times, but true gratitude comes from seeing the hand of God working in our lives. In all things 'give thanks with a grateful heart' (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

Gifts to organisations such as Brentwood Foodbank at this time, whether large or small, can help transform lives. **Please consider putting something extra in your shopping basket to add to our Harvest Collection.**





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Remember, the final date for donations is 4th October.

This week, slow down and take time to recognise how you have (and can) touch the lives of others

through your generosity ; whether through donations, giving freely of your time or simply praying for others.

Let us pray:

Dear Lord,

Help us, we pray, to recognise the difference between satisfaction and smugness, being content and being comfortable.

May our expressions of gratitude never deafen us to the cries of those in need and, in celebrating your love, may we never forget that your love reaches others through us.

Amen.

Mrs Sharp
Deputy Headteacher



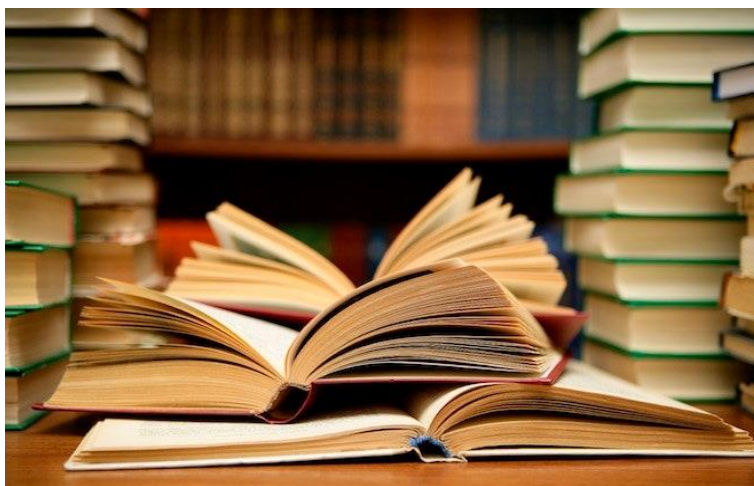
Reading for Learning

You may be aware that the school is taking part in a new 'Reading for Learning' project. Students are now once a week, reading for 20 minutes in a lesson. The reading material is provided and is relevant to the subject. This could be an article or a piece of fiction. Students don't need to prepare they just turn up and read. After the 20 minutes is complete the teacher will discuss the content of the reading material.

I really hope that the students are enjoying the time they spend reading in lessons. Reading around their favourite subjects and then reflecting is a great way to understand wider reading.

Reading for Learning next week will be Period 5 on Monday 27th September.

Mrs Knowles
Head of History



Please make sure that you top-up your son or daughter's account each week so that they are able to access all the delicious meals in the Bistro.

There is a small overdraft facility on their ParentPay account of £2 for emergency situations which covers the cost of a sandwich. Due to the cashless system in place there is no other back up.

We do not want any student to miss lunch or the great choice of food available every day in our restaurants. The chefs work hard each day especially when they have themed events such as the Spanish event next week. If you have any queries, please contact the school – office@becketkeys.org



Art & Textiles

Here are all the fantastic pieces from this week.



Star Artist for Art
Jessica Lambert Yr 12



Year 8 Insect

Paintings in Progress

Tia Cutting

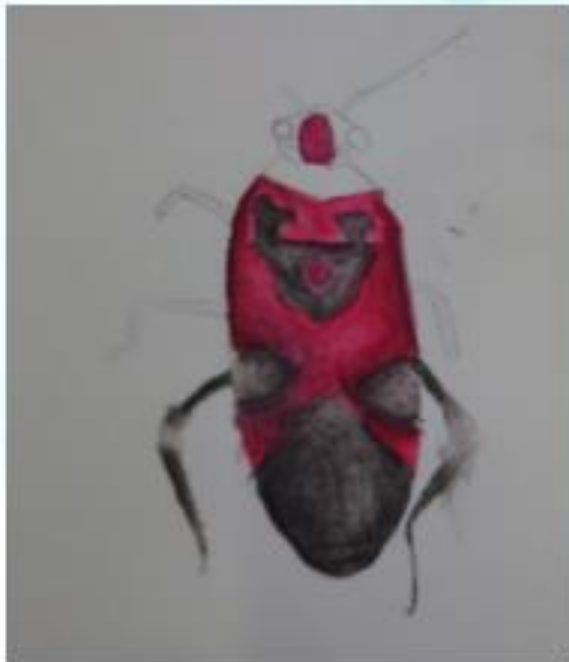


Penny Neall



Charlie

Sruthi Jayagopal



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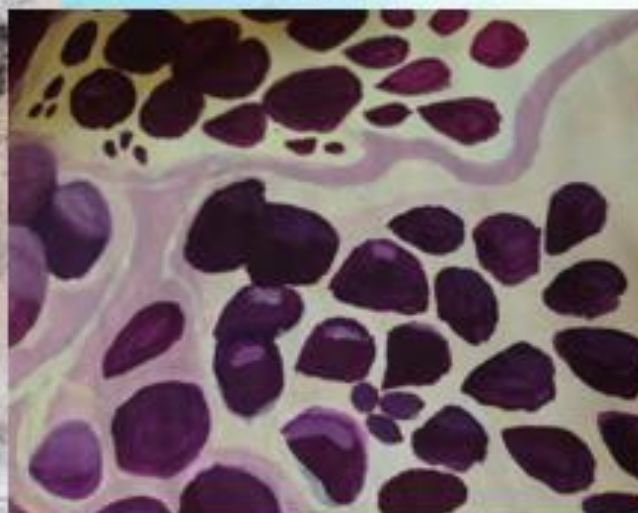
Isabel Evans Yr 11



James Head



Yr 10



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Sports News

Extracurricular 2021/2022

Day	Before School	2 nd Lunch	After-School
Monday	Year 7 Open Gym Squad Gymnastics	Squad Gymnastics (Yr7,10,11, 6 th Form) Year 10 Mixed Basketball	Year 7&8 Netball Year 7&8 Football
Tuesday	Year 8 Open Gym	Year 11 Mixed Basketball	All Years Girls' Football Year 9 Mixed Basketball
Wednesday	Year 10 Open Gym Squad Gymnastics	Squad Gymnastics (Yr7, 10, 11, 6 th Form) Year 7 Mixed Basketball	Year 9&10 Netball Year 9,10, 11 & 6 th Form Football
Thursday	Year 9 Open Gym	Girls' Basketball (Yr10&11)	Year 11 & 6 th Form Netball Year 8 Mixed Basketball
Friday	Year 11 Open Gym	TUP Basketball	



Keys:
 - Astro
 - Sports hall
 - Field
 - Main Hall
 - Netball Courts

Becket Keys side found themselves trailing due to switching off at a corner. Again, the Becket Keys team fight back was instant as a marauding run from Callum Goodey, linking up with Callum Etchells before firing low to Harry Adams to beat a very strong St Martin's keeper. The half time score was 1-1.

The second half was initially dominated by Becket Keys as the fitness level of the team showed. Luke Morris found himself pressing and stealing the ball back before finding Harry again to score with precision. St Martin's was not going to allow this game to get away from them and battled back to score a deflected shot against the run of play. With 5 minutes left to play Luke was taken down and a penalty awarded which Henry Wainwright made no mistakes with. Unfortunately, the rollercoaster ride didn't stop there and with seconds on the clock a poor clearance allowed St Martin's to deliver a late cross which struck an arm. They made no mistake, scoring from 12 yards. The heartbreak of the recent penalty shootout from the Euros had a contagious effect and two missed shots was enough for Becket Keys to exit the cup 4-3 on penalties. Heartbreak for the lads who were seconds away from the next round. Man of the Match Henry Wainwright for dictating play all game.

Year 9 Boys' Football v Shenfield High School

The boys were looking to bounce back from last week's defeat at home with an away trip to Shenfield High School. Becket Keys started as the brighter of the two, but the home team found us distracted from a corner and took advantage. However, we soon found the equaliser through Josh McDonald with a left footed strike across goal. A clumsy tackle resulting in a penalty, and a tidy cross into a dangerous area saw Shenfield High School go into half time 3-1 to the good.

The second half was a game of catch up for Becket Keys and each goal scored was frustratingly pegged back moments after. Josh McDonald made it 3-2, then 4-2. Max Sanderson scored to make it

4-3 before Shenfield High School scored a quick double and made it 6-3 and the game looked lost. However, an excellent through ball saw Josh complete his hat trick before Sid Eldred curled home the goal of the game to make it 6-5 with five minutes to play!

Unfortunately, this was how the match ended but Mr Lane had nothing but praise for the determination and fight from the boys! Man of the Match was Jack Rank for relentless work.

Year 10 Boys' Football vs St Martin's School

The Year 10 boys' football team hosted local team St Martin's school at home in the cup. For the second time in as many days, a

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2021

VIRTUAL EVENTS

5.00PM & 7.00PM

TUESDAY 12TH OCTOBER

SCHOOL VISIT & SUBJECT FAIR

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INSET DAY

(NO STUDENTS IN SCHOOL)

FRIDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2021

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ALL SAINTS' HOLIDAY

YEAR 11 INTERVENTIONS

MONDAY 25TH OCTOBER –

FRIDAY 29TH OCTOBER

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STUDENT HALF DAY

THURSDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2021

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2021 –

MONDAY 3RD JANUARY 2022

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