



Becket Keys Church of England School

14th July 2023

YEAR 7 & YEAR 12 MANDARIN STUDENTS VISITING LONDON

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Staff Leaving This Term

Dear Parents

I am writing today to let you know that as this academic year comes to a close, we are losing three much-loved teachers. Mr Peggs, Mr Fish and Mr Sibaja.

Mr Peggs has been with us since 2015 and held the position of Head of English before joining the Senior Leadership Team as an Assistant Head Teacher and Head of Sixth Form. Mr Peggs has been a very popular and successful English teacher enabling students from across the ability ranges to develop their skills in Language and Literature and gain confidence in this most important of subjects.

As Head of English, he led the school through its first ever

English exams and ensured that English progress here has always been much higher than national figures.

Mr Peggs also went on to break new ground in helping us to open our Sixth Form. Leading on shaping the culture, he has led with a passion for academic excellence and strong character.

Mr Peggs is going on to a school closer to home in London meaning that he can reduce his daily commute by more than two hours. We wish him well with the new position which will see him joining another senior leadership team with a different portfolio of responsibilities.

Mr Fish joined us in 2020 in the middle of the Pandemic! He started as a DT teacher and then became a Head of Year before

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Enrichment Day

Yesterday the students enjoyed a day off timetable and took part in a number of workshops and activities.

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also taking on the role of Head of DT. We are very grateful for the service he has provided taking the school to new heights in our levels of performance in Design Technology. As a Head of Year, Mr Fish has worked with our pastoral team to care for Year 7s. Mr Fish has had the joy of inducting new students to the school and teaching them the ways here. He is known for having a lot of patience and for having an open door for students to speak to him. Mr Fish also has a keen eye for design and many of the Becket Keys materials that you see online and on social media have had his magic touch.

Mr Fish is taking our DT technician Mr Oliver with him to his new school and we will miss both of them very much.

Mr Sibaja is leaving us having also been with us since 2020. Mr Sibaja joined us as a newly qualified teacher and has completed his first three years of teaching with us. Over that time, he has not only learned a great deal about teaching the language but also about the wider curricular aspects of school life. Mr Sibaja is a powerhouse on school trips and is always one of the first teachers to be up and last to go to bed. His energy is unstoppable. This year he led the trip to Seville and to his historic hometown of Cordoba. It was one of the best trips I have ever attended.

Mr Sibaja is leaving us to move to a school in Rainham where he will benefit from a training programme towards becoming a lead practitioner. We wish him well with this new role.

As you can imagine, we are very sorry to see these teachers leaving us this year. However, we are pleased to have replacements lined up.

Mrs Course will be taking over from Mr Peggs as Assistant Head Teacher and Head of Sixth Form. Mrs Knowles will be supporting Mrs Course as Assistant Head of Sixth Form. Mrs Bower will be joining us as a Spanish Teacher until Mrs Bolanos returns from her Maternity Leave. (We would like to thank Mrs Walpole for covering the first half of Mrs Bolanos' absence). Mr Fenn, Mr

McCann and Mrs Mullan will be sharing the responsibility for DT in September. Mrs Lee (nee Ellis) is taking on the Head of Year 7 role.

In other staff news, Mrs Joughin is starting her Maternity Leave soon. We wish her all the best at this exciting time. Similarly, Mrs Skinner, Mrs Bolanos, Mrs Goodfellow and Mrs North all continue on Maternity Leave.

I would like to conclude by thanking all our staff who have been working so hard again this year. It is a privilege to lead the school and work alongside you all.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Scott-Evans
Head Teacher

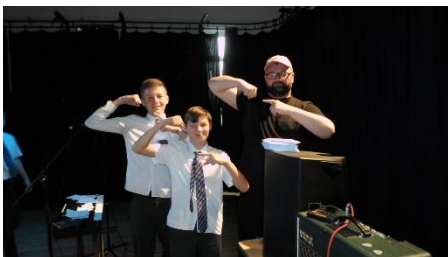


FRIDAY 21ST JULY

**STUDENTS CAN ATTEND SCHOOL IN
THEIR OWN CLOTHES ON THE LAST DAY
FOR A CHARITABLE DONATION OF £1.00**

Enrichment Day – 13th July 2023

It was fantastic to see students engaging so well on Enrichment Day in a variety of activities. We were so proud of our students representing our school so well in front of the visitors we had on site for the careers fair. I hope students were able to take something away from the day. I would like to say a massive thank you to all the staff and visitors that took the lead on the day making it such a success.



I thought that the enrichment day was great fun. I did science first and I thought that the idea of it was very clever. It wasn't like a normal science lesson, it was a really fun investigation to filter some dirty water in order to survive a zombie apocalypse! I also

liked the mental health talk and the singer. It was fun sitting with the whole year group and talking about things and the singer was very good. For the final part of the day we watched the 'School of Rock' dress rehearsal. I thought that they did very well and it was well performed considering that it was their first dress rehearsal. Overall, I thought that enrichment day was fun and well organised.

Sophie Guest
7PP



Overall, enrichment day was great fun and as a year group we learnt lots about teamwork and coping with our mental health. We had a visitor called Maddox Jones who opened up to us and told us about his struggles throughout his life. He also was a singer! We enjoyed his performance and even got his autograph at the end. We completed some team building activities. I think this brought us together and enable us to build

relationships with people we wouldn't normally speak to.

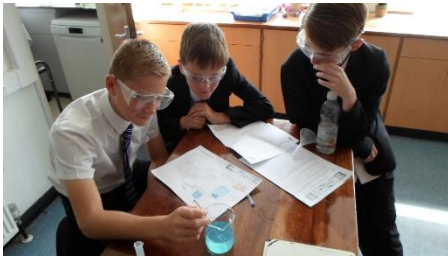
Lily Rose Wondering
8FS



The Careers Fair was very good. I found it interesting to listen to different people talk about their careers and to see how passionate they are. I spoke to the policewomen, a biomedical scientist, a solicitor, and a project manager. I loved listening to the police and learning about their roles and everyday tasks.

Sophia Tredgett
9HS





Enrichment day was a very interesting and insightful day. At the start of the day we attended a careers fair. This was very useful as we were able to meet and interact with lots of people from a variety of different industries. Then, we had a maths masterclass. In my class we learnt about cubic graphs! Finally to finish off the day we had a science masterclass on the required practical. We learnt about microscopes and chromatography. Overall, it was a very fun day. Thank you to all the people that made it possible.

Olivia Banfield
10PP



Hermit MUSIC CLUB

THE DROP IN & LEARN SESSION

EVERY SATURDAY 10AM - 12PM, FREE ENTRY

ARE YOU AGED 12 - 19 AND WANT TO MAKE MUSIC?

IF SO THEN IS FOR YOU. A TOTALLY INFORMAL SESSION WHERE YOU CAN PICK UP AN INSTRUMENT AND HAVE A GO! OR MAYBE YOU ALREADY PLAY AND WANT TO TRY SOMETHING DIFFERENT?

WHATEVER IT IS JOIN US, HAVE SOME FUN AND MAKE SOME NOISE!!

NO BOOKING NECESSARY

HERMIT CLUB, BRENTWOOD. CM15 8AG
FOR MORE INFO EMAIL:
CONTACTUS@THEHERMIT.CO.UK

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A YOUTH GROUP FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL AGED YOUNG PEOPLE

All schools welcome!

Wednesday Term Time
After School
3.30 - 5.30 PM

YOUR SPACE TO CHILL AFTER SCHOOL

Dodd Road Community Church
56-60 Doddinghurst Rd,
Brentwood CM15 9EH
www.doddroadcommunitychurch.org
01277 224528

Activities Include:

- Activities
- Food and Drinks
- Nintendo Switch
- Homework Space
- Free WIFI
- Music
- Chill Out Space
- Crafts

In Partnership with:

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DRCC Youth BRENTWOOD EST. 2017

@doddroadChurch
@doddroadcommunitychurch

Nearly New Uniform Sale

Many thanks to all those who came and supported this sale on Saturday.

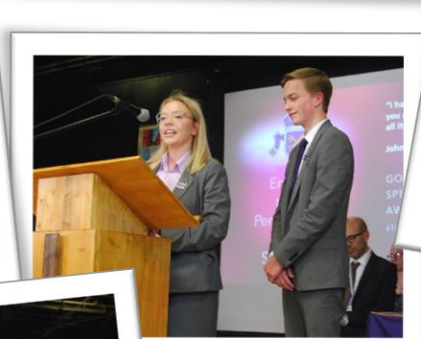
We have raised over £1,000 for the school!

Uniform donations are always accepted at reception, please send any items in to school with your son/daughter for future sales.

THANK YOU!

Governors' Speech & Awards Evening

We celebrated the achievements of some Becket Keys students at the Governors' Speech & Awards Evening last week. We were joined by the Chair of the RET Board Mrs Karen Lynch and Alex Burghart the local MP. Students received awards for subjects, sporting achievements and character and conduct.



BASED ON THE PARAMOUNT MOVIE WRITTEN BY MIKE WHITE
SCRIPT BY JULIAN FELLOWES MUSIC BY ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER LYRICS BY GLENN SLATER

THE NEXT GENERATION
SCHOOL of ROCK
THE MUSICAL



17th, 18th & 19th July 2023

**DOORS OPEN 7PM SHOW STARTS AT 7:30PM
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE**

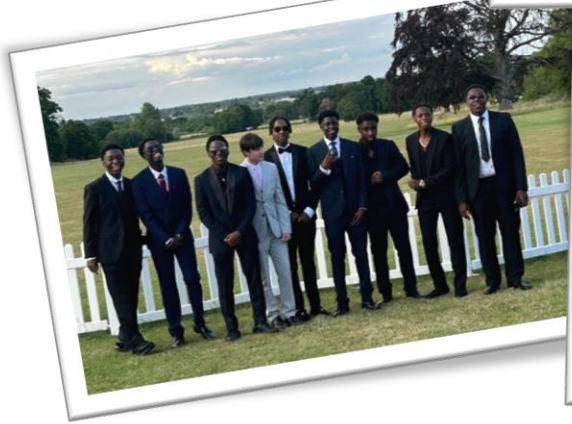
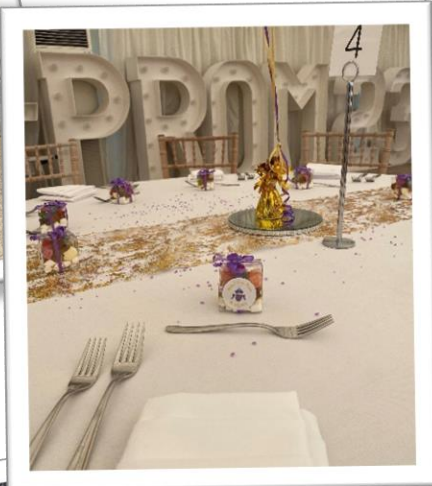
TICKETS £8.40 VIA  ParentPay

We are very excited for the school production next week. Wednesday evening's performance is SOLD OUT! There are a few tickets for Monday and Tuesday left, so book quickly to avoid disappointment. All ticket sales will finish on Monday 17th July at midday.

Remember that there will be refreshments available to buy at all performances.

Please bring cash with you for all purchases. Thank you.

Year 11 Prom



Year 13 Prom





Free School Meal Vouchers Summer Holiday

Further funding for Free School Meal vouchers for the Summer break 2023 has been allocated by the local authority. As with previous holidays, we will be using the school voucher system, Wonde, to issue vouchers.

Parents and carers of eligible students will have received an email from Wonde to allow them to claim a voucher for £75 for this period. Please check your junk mail if you have not received this. The email will contain a link to 'redeem a voucher'. You will be taken to Wonde's 'evouchers' page (previously named Schoolvouchers), where you will need to enter your details and confirm your email address before being asked to select the retailer you wish to receive a voucher for.

The current retailers available are Asda, Aldi, B&M, Farmfoods,

M&S, Iceland, Morrisons, Sainsburys, Waitrose and Tesco. You will then be given a PIN and the option to view the voucher. Having confirmed the PIN, you will be issued your voucher. The voucher barcode can be printed off or scanned on a smartphone for use in-store.

Details of the process and more questions about evouchers can be found on their website

- <https://help.evouchers.com/hc/en-gb/sections/360003848737-Recipient-FAQs>

Evouchers have now introduced an app to make it simpler to access and use vouchers. This can be downloaded via either the Apple App Store or Google Play. Further information on how to access and use the app can be found here -

<https://help.evouchers.com/hc/en-gb/sections/360005926797-NEW-Evouchers-com-App>



If your son/daughter has misplaced anything at school, then kindly inform them that all lost property is taken to reception for collection.

Please make sure that all items, especially uniform are named, this will ensure that items can be returned to the student easily.

Thank you!



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London Chinese Culture Trip

Year 7 and Year 12 Mandarin Students

On Monday, 10th July 2023, our Year 7 Mandarin Excellence Programme (MEP) group and our Year 12 Mandarin students went in London to explore Chinese culture in the city.

First, we visited the British Museum to look at some ancient Chinese artefacts. The Year 7 students observed many objects in a treasure hunt activity. The Year 12 students explored the Citi exhibition about "China's hidden century".



After the museum, we strolled into Chinatown and enjoyed a feast at the Imperial China restaurant. The mouthwatering aromatic duck dish was everyone's favourite.

We then walked around in Chinatown. Some students bought bubble tea; some enjoyed delicious baked goods. Look at their big smiles!



Staff at the restaurant and the British Museum commented positively about our students' good manners; they represented Becket Keys very well. Overall, it was a fantastic trip, and we look forward to future exciting trips in the department!

Miss Lin
Head of Mandarin



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Coronation Garden

Many thanks to all those families who donated towards the Coronation Garden. We will be starting the work over the summer break and look forward to seeing the progress in the new school year in September.

If anyone wishes to volunteer to assist with the project, then please contact the school.

office@becketkeys.org



Book of the Month - July



A powerfully real and funny new story from the rising queen of teen, about first kisses, learning to be true to yourself and how one click can last for ever...

Bright wants to be the best at everything. But when it comes to popularity, she is dead last. No matter what she tries, she can't shake her reputation as a maggoty nobody. When she meets cute new boy Evan, Amelia wonders if he can help her lose her loser status. And in a moment of hope, she agrees to something she quickly regrets - something that goes viral at school. Now she's not just called "maggot", she's a "bad influence" - and worse. But Amelia's determined not to let one mistake define her...she's so much more than the image everyone sees online.

Student Achievement Oscar Smith Year 10

Last weekend I attended my Paddlesport Instructor course through the British Canoeing Awarding Body, which is the national governing body for UK paddlesports. I passed and became one of the youngest paddlesports instructors in the UK.



What is a Paddlesport Instructor?

It is a qualification given out by British Canoeing allowing you to teach and lead paddling sessions in very sheltered waters on/in stand up paddleboards, kayaks and canoes.

This was something I started back in October of last year. The first course in the syllabus is the Foundational Safety and Rescue Training which consisted of a day

of learning the fundamental skills of safety in and by the water along with the knowledge of rescues ranging from unattended crafts in the water to capsized crafts with unconscious/entrapped casualties.



At the beginning of July, I began my eLearning for the main course which consisted of the principles of instruction and leadership, along with diversity and inclusion within the sport.

Then on the 8th of July, I travelled to Stratford-upon-Avon to undertake the bulk of the course which lasted the whole weekend. On day one we covered all the theory of the course before heading out on the water to show our personal skills and confidence on/in our crafts. Although on the course we chose one craft to perform and be assessed on, we had to show our confidence and skill in all three of the main crafts.

We ended the day with assessments of our skills in the rescue of unconscious and entrapped paddlers. Finally, we were given homework for the next day which was to plan a 20-minute session that we would

lead as a part of the following day's assessments.



On day two we headed straight out onto the water. Starting with the homework for my session I decided to teach confidence of moving around a paddleboard. We then moved on to how to plan and run expeditions and journeys on the water. Heading into the afternoon we finished with our final rescue assessments which included deep water rescues, self-rescues, and rescuing of a swimmer. At the end of the day, we had a one-to-one debrief with the course provider to talk about our next steps and how to further our scope of practice in the sport.



Essex Youth Service Summer Programme 2023

Registration is now open! -

Join Essex Youth Service for an action packed three days of fun, challenge, and games. Free to attend, including lunch.

After the three days, you can complete an optional two day/one night expedition experience in the Essex countryside taking place on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd August 2023.

What's involved?

Open to all 13–19-year-olds in Essex.

9:30am-4.00pm

Monday to Wednesday to take part in three days of fun activities including creating street art, cooking, trying out martial arts and self-defence, discovering Duke of Edinburgh's Award expedition skills, and taking part in competitive challenges. With a tasty lunch included each day.

Plus

- Outdoor cooking
- Science Experiments
- Street Art
- Team games
- Sports
- First Aid
- Outdoor skills
- Expedition experience
- Arts and crafts

YOUTH SERVICE | Essex County Council

SUMMER PROGRAMME

Come and join Essex Youth Service on a FREE, fun and engaging summer programme for 13–19 year olds (upto 25 with SEND)

Available at venues across the county

Take part in a range of activities

- **Martial Arts**
- **Street Art**
- **Science Experiments**



The three sessions will take place 09:30am - 4pm Monday to Wednesday at our Youth Centres across Essex. Full joining instructions will be emailed to you one week before the programme start date.

- 24th, 25th, 26th July - Colchester Townhouse, 39-42 East Stockwell Street, CO1 1SS
- 31st, 1st, 2nd August – The Brentwood Youth Centre, 15 Shenfield Road, Brentwood, CM15 8AG

- 31st, 1st, 2nd August - Galleywood, Watchhouse Road, Chelmsford, CM2 8PT
- 14th, 15th, 16th August - Timberlog Youth Centre, Timberlog Lane, Basildon SS14 1PB

Full details and information about booking is here:

<https://youth.essex.gov.uk/young-people/essex-summer-programme-2023/>

Student Achievement Christian Ludwig Year 7



Christian Ludwig has received the Jack Petchey Award for 'Outstanding Achiever' through his nomination from Brentwood Swimming Club.

Christian has worked extremely hard in training attending many sessions throughout the week before and after school.

Swimming is a sport that requires extremely dedicated participants and training takes place throughout the year.

Christian is now planning on focusing his training over the next six months to improve his times in order to be eligible to qualify for Essex County and East Regional competitions.



GLOBAL VILLAGE

SUNDAY 23 JULY 2023 | 2-4 PM
DODDINGHURST VILLAGE HALL, CHURCH LANE
FREE MULTI CULTURAL FAMILY EVENT

A PRESENTATION ON THE PRINCELY STATE OF KAPURTHALA, PUNJAB, BY A LITTLE HISTORY OF THE SIKHS - RAV SINGH 2PM

A Little History of the Sikhs - Rav Singh

Helen Runder Singh Alhuwalia of Kapurthala Buried in Doddinghurst

Logos: Arts Council England, Essex Cultural Diversity Project, Brentwood Borough Council, Axis, Essex Archives, A Little History of the Sikhs.

SORT YOUR SETTINGS

HELP YOUR CHILDREN #STAYSAFE ONLINE THIS SUMMER

A practical guide on things you can do to make your child's devices safer when they are online.

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WWW.ESSEX.POLICE.UK/SORTYOURSETTINGS

Art & Textiles

Star Artist Year 12
Emily Rokoszynski





Ellie-Rose Lawson Yr 7

[@becketkeysarttextiles](https://www.instagram.com/becketkeysarttextiles)

Luke Gibbs

Yr7



Daniel Reteif Yr 7



**Cydney
Etchells
Yr 12**





Amy Drysdale Yr 9



In Art & Textiles this week with Mrs Cherry... Star of the week



Y12

Emma Blake



@becketkeysart



Kaylin Nachwa-Muwenda Y8



Amber Sharp Y8



Elena Zamani Y8



Amber Sharp Y8



Szilvia Angyalfi Y8



Isabel Collins Y8



Isabel Collins Y8



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

YEAR 7

MANOR ADVENTURE RESIDENTIAL

FRIDAY 14TH JULY – SUNDAY 16TH JULY

Follow @BecketKeysTrips

on Twitter for updates

SCHOOL OF ROCK!

MONDAY 17TH JULY

TUESDAY 18TH JULY

WEDNESDAY 19TH JULY

7.00PM FOR 7.30PM START

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO

BUY – PLEASE BRING CASH TO

PURCHASE

LAST DAY AT SCHOOL

FRIDAY 21ST JULY 2023

NON-UNIFORM DAY

£1.00 CHARITY DONATION

REQUIRED PLEASE

STUDENT HALF DAY

SCHOOL FINISHES AT 12.40PM

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NEW ACADEMIC YEAR

INSET DAYS

(NO STUDENTS IN SCHOOL)

4TH & 5TH SEPTEMBER 20

NEW YEAR 7 & YEAR 12 FIRST DAY

WEDNESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER

ALL YEAR GROUPS

BACK TO SCHOOL

THURSDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 2023

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