



Join
a Club!

Becket Keys Church of England School

13th September 2024

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Mr Scott-Evans writes.....

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you enjoy today's newsletter. This week, we have details of some of the new colleagues who are joining us this year. I hope you will give our new staff a warm welcome! It is exciting to see some of them returning to us after a few years away on other adventures including a member of our alumni who was in the founding cohort and has chosen to return to the school as a trainee teacher! You can imagine how proud I am of Miss Benson!

I am also delighted to introduce a few more of the clubs that we are running for the year ahead. I want to urge every family to look very closely at the clubs that we offer and select some that are of

interest. More and more will be added each week. Every student should attend at least one sporting club. The school is committed to ensuring that every student completes at least 2 hours of sport per week so on top of the 100 minutes students have in PE we believe that students should be able to choose which activities interest them the most. There are more opportunities coming, so if you still cannot quite see something for you, let us know and we will see if we can add it in.

The newsletter is a crucial way that we communicate with you particularly about wider personal development of students which is a great strength of the school. Each week you will find subjects like food, design, art, drama and

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Exam Results

Excellent GCSE and A Level results for the 2024 cohort.

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These departments have already been busy and share some of the excellent work from our talented students.

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Updated extra-curricular timetable and astro reminders.

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music represented. You will also find careers information, details about clubs, enrichment activities and news about trips that we are running.

There is always lots going on, so please do read our news each week and encourage your sons and daughters to get involved.

The newsletter is also a place to celebrate achievement. Please do contact us if your son/daughter is involved in any outside of school activities that we can feature. We look forward to hearing from you.

For example, I heard this week that Max Sanderson has been selected for the prestigious UK Athletics Youth Talent Programme. This programme is designed to nurture and develop the most promising young athletes in the country, equipping them with the skills, knowledge, and experiences needed to succeed at senior levels. To be chosen for this programme is an incredible accomplishment, reflecting not only Max's athletic ability but also his dedication and determination.

Max's journey into athletics began here at Becket Keys. Following an impressive performance during a bleep test, Mr. Lane saw his potential and made a phone call home that set Max on this path. Since then, Max has continued to excel, and now, he is part of a national

programme that supports future Olympians. We could not be prouder of Max, and we look forward to seeing where this opportunity takes him in the years ahead. This is a true testament to the power of PE lessons and seizing opportunities when they arise.

Mr Scott-Evans
Headteacher

LOST PROPERTY

Please make sure that **EVERY** item of uniform, PE Kit and equipment is named. There are over a thousand students at the school all wearing the same uniform.

There are many items that we are unable to return as we do not know to whom they belong.

Lost Property can be collected from Reception.



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Remember that all correspondence to the school must come through the school office email:

office@becketkeys.org

Your message will be forwarded to the member of staff concerned.

You can also send a message via the contact page on the website:

<https://www.becketkeys.org/contact-staff>

You can also now reply directly to any message you receive from the school via Bromcom, just hit the reply button and it will go to the office.

Students can contact their teachers via Satchel One if they have any queries regarding their lessons.

Please do not email staff directly as any message received in this way will not receive a response.

Many thanks for your understanding.

Meet Some New Staff

We are delighted to welcome our new colleagues to Becket Keys.



Mr Sam Bay Head of History

I'm really happy to be working with you all Becket Keys as the new Head of History. I would like to thank everyone I have met so far for being as welcoming and helpful as you have.

I have been teaching History for the last ten years and in that time, I have had many roles including Head of House, Head of Year and Head of Politics.

Outside of school I live with my wife Eloise and our black cat Pearl in Chelmsford. We like to go to the theatre and eat out together. I like to stay loyal to my local teams and support Billericay Town FC and Essex County Cricket Club. I also love to travel and have a goal to travel to 40 countries by the age of 40, I've so far been to 22 and have 7 years to fill in the gaps!




Miss Daisy Benson Spanish Teacher

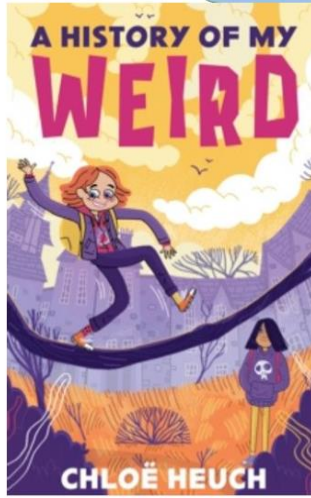
I am *beyond* excited to be joining Becket Keys as a Trainee Teacher in the Spanish department. It is a beautiful, full-circle moment for me as I was actually one of the founding students when Becket Keys opened in 2012!

After completing my A-Levels at Becket Keys Sixth Form in Spanish, English Literature and

Media Studies, I took a gap year in Tenerife to work as a performer and Spanish/English tutor. I then returned to the UK and obtained a First-Class degree with honours in Drama from the University of Essex. Since graduating, I have been working as a primary school Drama specialist teacher. This allowed me to realise my love for teaching and helping students, inspiring me to embark on my teacher training journey. My love for the Spanish language began at Becket Keys, and I am delighted to be able to share this passion with Becket Keys students. I am particularly excited to have the opportunity to be trained by the wonderful Señora Martín, my own Spanish teacher in my time at the school, who ignited my interest in the subject. I look forward to meeting you all and being a part of the Becket Keys community again!



Book of the Month- September



**A HISTORY OF MY
WEIRD**

CHLOË HEUCH

Starting secondary school was never going to be easy for Mo, but a fall out with her so-called 'friends' leaves her lonelier than ever. Then she finds Onyx. Exploring an abandoned Victorian asylum may seem a weird way to develop a friendship, but then Mo has always found she does things a bit differently. Determined to keep the pair apart, Onyx's dad's actions force them back to the secrecy of the asylum. Until one night, with the old building due for demolition, the two friends enter for the last time..

This is a comic, compelling and poignant story of self-discovery and acceptance, for readers aged 11+

International Day Friday 27th September 2024

BECKET KEYS PRESENTS

INTERNATIONAL DAY

~ CELEBRATE ALL CULTURES ~

NON UNIFORM DAY !!!

WHEN?

27TH SEPT!!

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE DIFFERENT CULTURES ON THE 27th OF SEPTEMBER

- NON UNIFORM DAY WEAR TRADITIONAL CLOTHING, YOUR COUNTRIES (FOOTBALL KIT OR EVEN THE FLAG) AND WATCH THE MULTICULTURAL SHOW FOR ONLY £1!!
- MULTICULTURAL SHOW STARTS AT 12:00 AND ENDS AT 1:30
- A VARIETY OF SNACKS FROM DIFFERENT CULTURES ARE AVAILABLE ON SALE
- ALL PROCEEDS ARE GOING TOWARDS SICKLE CELL ANAEMIA TICKETS AVAILABLE ON THE DOOR FOR £1
- FOR MORE DETAILS FEEL FREE TO CONTACT office@becketkeys.org OR THE SIXTH FORM TEAM

The start of the new school year is a great time to take on a new challenge. According to British concert piano James Rhodes, 'learning an instrument can unlock a door to a new dimension that we didn't know existed'.

We offer tuition in a wide range of musical instruments including voice and offer a large enrichment programme with something for everyone.



We offer instrumental tuition in the following instruments:

Violin	Saxophone	Drum Kit	Cello	Trumpet	Piano
Flute	Trombone	Electric/Classical/Bass Guitar	Clarinet	Voice	

How to apply

If you are interested in applying for instrumental lessons, please email the school and this will be dealt with by the music department. You will then receive an email from the instrumental tutor to discuss times and costs. Lessons times will be arranged by the instrumental tutor and be on a rotating timetable to minimise time missed in other curriculum lessons. It is the responsibility of your son/daughter to catch up on any work missed.

MUSIC CLUBS

Monday

GCSE Composition Workshops	12:40 – 1:30
Chamber Orchestra	3:15-4:15

Tuesday

Barbershop Vocal Group	1-1:25
Choir	3:15-4:15

Wednesday

Theory Club	8 – 8:25
Brass Ensemble	10:10 – 10:30
Stage Band	3:15-4:15

Thursday

GCSE Composition Workshops	12:40 – 1:30
Upper Voices	3:15 -4:15

Friday

Rock Factory	3:15 – 4:15 (5pm if at Hermit)
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WEEK 3

WEEK COMMENCING
 26/08/2024 16/09/2024 07/10/2024 26/10/2024 18/11/2024
 09/12/2024 30/12/2024 20/01/2025 10/02/2025 03/03/2025
 24/03/2025

(CV) - VEGETARIAN
(VE) - VEGAN

CLASSIC HOT & HEARTY

CLASSIC MAIN MEALS	VEGETARIAN MAIN MEALS
<p>MONDAY Kung Pao Chicken, Wholegrain & White Egg Fried Rice</p> <p>TUESDAY Beef & Tomato Ragout with Wholegrain Pasta & House Salad</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Roast Shoulder of Pork, Crisp Roasties, Seasonal Vegetables & House Gravy</p> <p>THURSDAY Chicken Bhuna with Pilau Rice & Homemade Raita</p> <p>FRIDAY Chip Shop "Fryday" Fish, Pizza or Fishcake & Chips with Peas and Tartare Sauce</p>	<p>MONDAY Sweet & Sour Vegetables with Wholegrain & White Egg Fried Rice (V)</p> <p>TUESDAY Plant Based Ragout with Wholegrain Pasta & House Salad (VE)</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Crunchy Topped Macaroni Cheese with House Salad or Seasonal Vegetables (V)</p> <p>THURSDAY Paneer & Chickpea Korma with Pilau Rice & Homemade Raita (V)</p> <p>FRIDAY Jamaican Squash Pasty with Sweet Chilli Sauce and Chunky Chips (V)</p>

DESSERTS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Warm Blueberry Sponge	Dropped Pancake Bar	Apple & Mixed Berry Crumble with Vanilla Sauce	Manager's Special

Fruit & Yoghurt Pots Available Daily

HOMEMADE SOUP & FRESHLY BAKED BREAD Available Daily

JACKET POTATOES Topped with a Choice of: Cheese, Tuna or Beans Available Daily

Innovate

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chinese Style Vegan Noodles (VE)	Chipotle Chicken Chimichanga	Loaded Mediterranean Street Cart Wedges	Thai Fried Rice	Manager's Street Vibes Special

NATURally

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Fork Friendly Falafel Kebab (V)	Smoked Tofu & Caponata Burger (V)	Seeded Vegan Sausage Roll (VE)	Onion Bhaji Skewer with Bombay Potatoes (VE)	Manager's Special

TRATTORIA

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Tomato & Basil Pasta	Creamy Pesto Pasta	Mozzarella & Tomato or Pepperoni Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Pasta in Cheese Sauce	Mozzarella & Tomato or BBQ Chicken, Cheese & Tomato Pizza

Our Vegetarian and Vegan recipes are approved by the Vegetarian Society.



We are pleased to announce that the Parent & School Community Prayer Group hosted by our Headteacher Mr Scott-Evans is starting again on 13th September 2023 and will be every Wednesday during term time 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.** If you have any prayer intentions, please send them into the school via the office email: office@becketkeys.org

Becket Keys Open Event Year 7 2025

Booking now open

Open Event

10th October

Parent only open mornings

8th, 9th & 10th October

Calling all Equestrians at Becket Keys!

- We are in the process of joining the NSEA (National Schools Equestrian Association).
- If you have a horse that you are currently competing, why not compete for the school with like-minded Becket Keys students at some fabulous local competition venues?
- There are a range of disciplines across all levels so there's something for everyone!
- The competition will run just like normal only you'll be competing for the school (in a team or individually depending on if we can get a team together).

If you would like to join the team, come to a short meeting in the Library at 3.10pm on Tuesday 17th September.

Any questions, please speak to Mrs Trebess.

<https://www.nsea.org.uk>



Late Gate

*Early is on time,
On time is late,
And late is unacceptable!*

At Becket Keys, we look to ensure that we are preparing students for life beyond school. We encourage students to attend school regularly and on time.

Remember that the school gate closes at **8.25am**. This allows students enough time to be at their first lesson on time. Period 1 begins at 8.30am.

Brentwood can be tough to negotiate during rush hour, so we encourage students and parents to contact the school in the case of **genuine** lateness, such as delayed public transport.

Parents can call the main school line 01277 286600 or use the "Studybugs" app.

We thank you for your support.



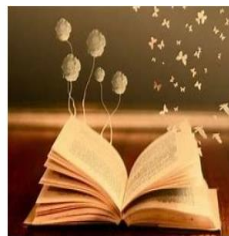
Homework Club

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!

Our School Library (Lib A)

- Your school library is open on the following lunch times:
 - Monday (4.2) 12.50-1.20
 - Tuesday (4.2) 12.50-1.20
 - Wednesday (4.1) 12-12.30
 - Thursday (4.1) 12-12.30.
- If Miss White is in the library after school, you can come and use it then as well.
- The library is open for you to:
 - Come and borrow or return books,
 - Get help on finding a book you might enjoy reading,
 - Sit and read,
 - Discuss books with other students.



**NEW FOR THIS
YEAR
STARTING WEEK
COMMENCING
16TH
SEPTEMBER**



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>KS3 'Time to Shine' 15.15-16.25 RUNCIE HALL (Mrs Palmer) Yr7-Yr9</p>	<p>Yr9 & Yr10 'Creative Space' 11.50-12.30 RH1 (Mrs Barr)</p> <p>KS4 & KS5 'Practical Showcase Rehearsals' 15.15-16.15 RH2 (Mrs Barr)</p>	<p>Yr11 'Page to Stage' 15.15-16.15 RH2 (Mrs Barr)</p>	<p><u>Invitation only and bookable space.</u></p>	<p>GCSE 'Theory Workshop' 15.15-16.15 RH1 (Mrs Barr) <u>Invitation Only</u></p> <p><u>Bookable space for Yr7-Yr13</u></p>

DRAMA SINGING DANCE



JIGSAW PERFORMING ARTS SCHOOLS

TWO WEEK
TRIAL
AVAILABLE

CHELMSFORD
Saturday mornings
Moulsham High school
Brian close, CM2 9ES
3-18 years

BRENTWOOD
Sunday mornings
Becket Keys Church of England school
Sawyers Hall Lane, CM15 9DA
3-18 years

New!

JIGSAW JUMPERS
Parent/carer and child session
6m-3yrs: 9.00am-9.45am
Saturday in Chelmsford
Sunday in Brentwood



T: 01245 768154

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Brentwood Foodbank
 Doddinghurst Road Community Church
 50-60 Doddinghurst Rd, CM15 9EH
 Tel: 01277 224528
www.brentwood.foodbank.org.uk


Opening Times: Tues & Weds 10am-1pm Doddinghurst Rd Church
 Fri 10am - 1pm Brentwood Baptist Church

September 2024 Shopping List

Tinned Items	Non Tinned
Soup	Coffee
Tinned Stewing Steak	Tea Bags
Tinned Ham	
Tinned Minced Beef & Onion	
Tinned Meat Balls	Non Food Items
Tinned Irish Stew	Cleaning Products

Brentwood Foodbank facilitated by Doddinghurst Road Community Church
 Registered Charity Number 1171227





Transitioning into Medical/Dental School Saturday 21st September (Medical) Sunday 22nd September (Medical) Sunday 29th September (Dental) 9.30am – 3.30pm

During these Medic Mentor conferences, students will receive a complete guide to the medical or dental application journey. Students get essential insights into the medical/dental UCAS application process (such as the NEW personal statement structure), connect with professionals, fellow students, and gain a deeper understanding of a future career in medicine or dentistry.

Register here for medical:
<https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwK6/sHry7MZYtt3MGPjvO>

Register here for dental:
<https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwK6/sHrBuiR7SBAC19kE>

Curriculum Meetings

Year 10
Tuesday 1st October 2024
Online Teams Meeting

Year 11
Tuesday 15th October 2024
Main Hall
More details to follow.

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

Y11



Lily Matthews



@becketkeysart

Key stage 4

Hannah Corches Y10



Amy Maher Y10



Maria Shipperlee Y10

Key stage 3



Scarlett Eve Y7



Samuel Sell Y7



Max Massarella Y7

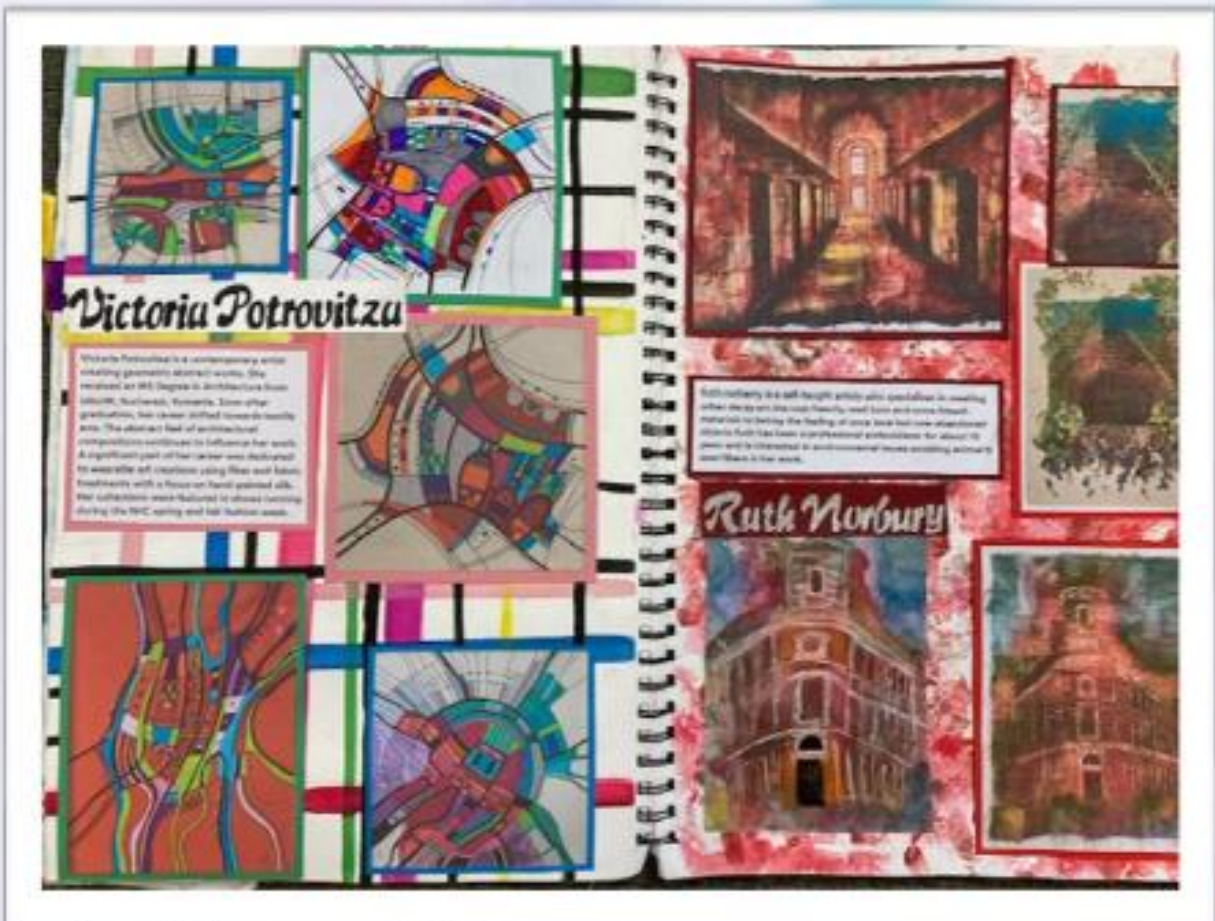


Ethan Clarke Y7

Key stage 4



Miley Garcia Y10



Lily Matthews Y11

Key stage 5



Jasmine Anderson Y12



Arabella Carroll Y12



Muskaan Soni Y13

Sports News

PE Extra Curricular - Term 1



Day	Lunchtime (12:40-1:20)	After-School (3:10-4:30)
Monday	GCSE Practical Intervention	Year 9 Netball Year 8 Rugby Year 7 Rugby
Tuesday	TUP Futsal	Year 8 Netball Year 9 Rugby
Wednesday	Year 7 Netball – Invite Only	Year 10 & 11 Netball Girls Football all years
Thursday	TUP Basketball	Year 7 Netball Year 10 & 11 Rugby Boys Football all years
Friday	TUP Badminton	

Keys:

- Astro
- Sports hall
- Main Hall
- Drama Hall
- Field

Sixth Form Students Enjoying an Elective PE Session





Year 7 & 8 Rugby

22 Year 7 students started their sporting journey at Becket Keys by joining the extra-curricular rugby club.

Coach Erin was sharing her Saracen’s rugby team experience to inspire the students who attended.

Rugby Club for Year 7 & 8 students is after school every Monday

Astro Turf



- A new astro turf has been installed over the summer.
- You **must** be wearing **trainers** to be on the astro turf. **No school shoes** are allowed, and you will **not** be allowed to play in just your socks.
- Either:
 - change into your trainers at the start of lunch, before you go to the astro turf,
 - or change into your trainers on the grass slope before you enter the pitch.
- Please keep your school shoes in a bag during lunch time.
- The whistle for the end of lunch will go slightly earlier to allow you time to change back into your school shoes and be on time for your next lesson.
- As always, no food or drink on the astro turf.



Astroturf Lunchtime Layout



1st Lunch (11:50-12:40) - Y8, 9 and 12 2nd Lunch (12:40-13:30) - Y7, 10, 11 and 13

1	2	3	4
1 st Lunch Year 8	1 st Lunch Year 12	1 st Lunch Year 8/9	1 st Lunch Year 9
2 nd Lunch Year 10	2 nd Lunch Year 7	2 nd Lunch Year 13	2 nd Lunch Year 11



Path

Sports Hall



PLEASE REMEMBER

You must have your trainers if you wish to use the Astro.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

INTERNATIONAL DAY
NON-UNIFORM FOR STUDENTS
FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2024

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OPEN EVENT FOR PROSPECTIVE
YEAR 7 STUDENTS
THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2024

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INSET DAY
(NO STUDENTS IN SCHOOL)
FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2024

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ALL SAINTS' HOLIDAY
YEAR 11 INTERVENTIONS
MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER –
FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2024

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SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENT
TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2024

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LAST DAY OF TERM
STUDENT HALF DAY
FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2024

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
MONDAY 23RD DECEMBER 2024 –
FRIDAY 3RD JANUARY 2025

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INSET DAY
(NO STUDENTS IN SCHOOL)
MONDAY 6TH JANUARY 2025

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