



NEW STAFF JOIN THE TEAM FOR 2014

Becket Keys Church of England School welcomed five new members of staff to the school this week.

With Mrs Zhao starting her maternity leave we were delighted to welcome Miss Cheng to our Mandarin Department. We would like to congratulate Mrs Zhao on the birth of her son – Ben.

Two other teachers have been added our team this week too. Mrs McAdam has joined the mathematics department as a highly experienced and capable mathematics tutor. Mrs Radford has moved from an outstanding school in Newham to join us as a learning mentor. Mrs Radford was an assistant head teacher in her previous school and brings a wealth of expertise to our school.

We have been joined by a new accountant and a new chef. Mrs Chapman (who is also a qualified teacher!) has joined as our Finance and Contracts Manager. Mr Ashman is our new chef.

We are delighted to have been joined by new students again at the start of the term and we pray that all those starting with us will quickly feel part of the community here at Becket Keys.



New staff working in our classes from January

A note from the head teacher

This week we have celebrated the new year and Epiphany – the time when Christians remember the Wise Men following the star to find Jesus and presenting their gifts.

Father Ian Jorysz visited us for Collective Worship and led an inspiring time for Year 7 about needing to look for God and sometimes finding him where we would least expect to find Him.

As we start this new year together at Becket Keys, I would encourage us all to consider where we can see God at work around us. Perhaps the most vivid example for us this Christmas has been the miraculous restoration of Jonathan Allen.

You will be pleased to hear that Jonathan has made an excellent recovery from his illness. Doctors have commented that they have never seen such a dramatic improvement from such a poor start.

The family have really appreciated your prayers and support through this difficult time.

It is a joy and privilege to work in a community with prayer at its heart. Please continue to pray for our school and students as we start 2014.

Happy New Year!

Andy Scott-Evans

Head Teacher

OTHER NEWS

PARENTS' VIEWS

Thanks for all your feedback via the OfSTED website! If you have not responded yet – please log on today.

Visit OfSTED's '[Parent View](http://www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk)' website: www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

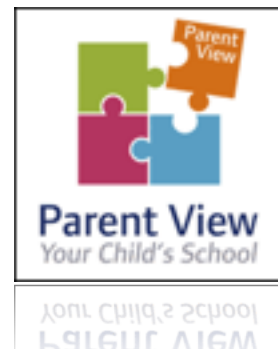
We are now preparing to host parent forum meetings to go through the questions from the OFSTED Parent View site in further detail. We would be especially interested to hear from you if you were unable to 'strongly agree' with one of the questions so we can learn more about how you would like to see us develop in the future.

Wednesday 5th February at 2:30pm for Year 7 Parents

Thursday 6th February at 2:30pm for Year 8 Parents

We have selected a group of parents at random to attend these meetings and will be calling to invite them. However, if you would like to attend as well you would be most welcome.

We would like to talk about what is working well and what could be even better.



CHANGE OF TERM DATES

The end of the school year will be on Friday 18th July rather than Tuesday 22nd July as previously announced. The two days will be used for staff training. All other dates remain the same and can be found on our Becket Keys Church of England website.



NEW WINDOWS

The scaffolding is nearly up and the work will commence soon on the top corridor of The Williams Building.

GUITAR LESSONS

Our superb peripatetic teacher for classical guitar has some capacity for additional students. If your son/daughter is interested in learning the guitar please contact Allys Goodwin directly to arrange a lesson time.

allysongoodwin@btinternet.com

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NUT FREE SCHOOL

Some of our students are extremely allergic to nuts. Therefore, please do not allow your son/daughter to bring nuts to school.

SPORTS NEWS

CRICKET TURN UP AND PLAY CLUB

Boys' Cricket Turn Up and Play Club is now up and running on a Thursday lunchtime 1–1.30pm in the Sports Hall instead of TUP volleyball. It would be fantastic to see lots of you there to develop your skills before the season begins.



FOOTBALL TURN UP AND PLAY CLUB

Students are welcome to join Mr Scott–Evans (boys – astro turf) or Mr Fenn (girls – sports hall) for a relaxed kick about on Tuesday lunchtimes.

GIRLS' PE LESSONS

A reminder to all girls that activities are changing next week. Please ensure that you bring the correct equipment and kit to lesson. If you are unsure check with your teacher or bring all of your kit so that you are well prepared (don't forget gum shields and shin pads for hockey!)

GIRLS' FOOTBALL v MOULSHAM SCHOOL

Year 8

The girls worked hard to hold off Moulsham for most of the first half, with Karise Gunner, Uchechi Nze and Lily McDonald performing some excellent tackles and blocks. Hannah McCarthy made some difficult saves but unfortunately Moulsham broke through towards the end of the first half, scoring two goals in a short space of time. The second half was even closer with Becket Keys performing some attacking play, however Moulsham scored on the break. The final score was 3–0 to Moulsham. Our congratulations to them for a very good game. Our player of the match was Karise Gunner.

Year 7

The year 7 girls played against a very experienced team who dominated the game. Becket Keys continued to press and try and gain possession, however we were out–skilled. The girls' have realised the importance of attending regular training and are determined to develop their skills further. Player of the match was Lauren Pamenter.

We would like to thank Moulsham for hosting us for these games and wish them well for the rest of the season.

LOST PROPERTY

The following items are not named. Please contact reception to collect:

Becket Keys Blazer
Becket Keys PE top
Becket Keys Rugby Top
Becket Keys Hoodie
Becket Keys Scarf
'No Fear' Black Jacket
Blue/white snowflake woollen hat
Union Jack boot key ring with key
2 black scarves
Green bottle
Blue bottle
2 Striped Scarves
Black Campri Gloves
1 Thinsulate glove
Long Keyring chain with 2 keys on
Gold Birch padlock
Silver padlock
2 keys – one yellow, one very small on a keyring
3 unnamed plastic cake boxes left over from cake sale
Box with silver earrings in
Pink Gum shield with case
Orange Gum shield with case
Leopard print hat
2 pairs of Nike pink/white trainers
1 pair of black boys Clarks school shoes

NEARLY NEW ITEMS FOR SALE

Contact office (proceeds to school fund)

Boys' Blazer size 28"	£10
Purple Reversible PE top (2) 26/28"	£5
Skort 22/24"	£5
Jumpers (4) size 30"	£5
Jumper size 28"	£5
Grey slipover size 28"	£5
Grey slipover size 30"	£5
Boys' trousers age 11/12	£5
Boys' s/s shirts age 9/10	£2.50
Boys' l/s shirts age 9/10	£2.50

UNIFORM

Our thanks to all our students for continuing to look so smart in their school uniform at all times.

SCOOTERS/BIKES

Students wishing to ride to school must use a bike AND NOT a scooter.

Scooters are not a suitable way to travel to our school as students need to ride along the busy paths around the school.

NO TIPPEX

Students do not need correction fluid. Moreover, it is not allowed on the school site and must be left at home. Instead, students who wish to be really neat can use correction tape. Our preference is simply to draw a single line through mistakes!

ABSENCE LINE

If your child is absent from school due to illness, please phone 01277 286612 before 8.30am on every day of absence.

You will be able to leave a short message on the answer phone stating your son/daughter's name, form and reason for absence.

You can also notify us of absence by emailing: office@becketkeys.org

PRAYER

Our prayer meetings are on Tuesdays at 11:30am. Anyone from the Becket Keys Church of England School community is welcome to join us (parents, other relatives, friends of the school etc).

Please send any prayer requests to: office@becketkeys.org. If you wish to join our prayer mailing list to receive a regular update of issues to pray for, you can also email us.

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Dates for your Diary

6th Jan	Return to School
17th – 21st Feb	Half term holiday
24th Feb	INSET Day
7th – 21st Apr	Easter Holiday
5th May	Bank Holiday

You can keep up to date with a daily tweet from Becket Keys by following us on Twitter: @BecketKeys.

