



## AN EVEN MORE PLEASANT PLACE TO BE

**Mr. Scott-Evans writes:**

### SUMMER IS HERE

The summer term is now well underway! We've had a great week of better weather and students have been out on the field and enjoying the fresh air! At lunchtimes, we open the tennis courts, astro-turf and field whilst keeping the playground open for basketball and table tennis. It is a wonderful part of the day! Please encourage your son/daughter to bring tennis racquets, balls and trainers to make the most of the facilities here.

Mrs Wright and Mrs Davidson have been in school planting new bedding plants and our courtyard is looking lovely. Thank you ladies! We really have a beautiful school.



As you know, we are constantly looking to improve facilities here and would love to buy new outdoor benching, canopies and summer umbrellas. There is just not quite enough money in the Environmental Fund to do it!

Please consider again whether you can contribute to this fund. It would be wonderful to make the school an even more pleasant place to be.



### COMING UP

The first ever FoBK Wine Tasting Event promises to be a great occasion on 13<sup>th</sup> May (see attached flyer).

Ten tables are sold already. There are six more available. Tickets are £12.50 and are selling fast!

Teachers will be attempting to 'call your bluff' with each of the six wines in a fun quiz!

### THANK YOU

A word of thanks to all who donated to the FoBK Spring Clean Collection. FoBK raised over £300 through this.

FoBK have also raised more than £100 on [www.EasyFundRaising.org](http://www.EasyFundRaising.org)

Please join this scheme if you have not done so already.

All these FoBK events/schemes are great ways to raise money, meet other parents and support our school. But if they are not your thing, the Environmental Fund is another easy way to support us. Please do get the forms filled in and set up a standing order. Even a small monthly amount adds up and helps our school (see attached letter).

### AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

Our wonderful grounds are available for hire. If you are looking for a sports hall, tennis court or astro-turf, please do give us a call: 01277 286600. We currently have lots of availability in the summer! If you're planning a children's party or a special event, please give us a call. If your sports club is looking for some extra training space: bear us in mind!

### AND FINALLY...

If you think of anything that you want to raise with us, please get in touch. We have a special page on our website for staff communications. Please use it to contact our fantastic team.

Mr Scott-Evans  
Headteacher

# OTHER NEWS

## YEAR 10 STUBBERS TRIP

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Just a reminder that the deadline for the Year 10 Stubbers trip is this **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April**. The trip takes place from the **1st July - 3rd July** and offers a whole host of outdoor activities for the students. It would be a great shame for this trip to not go ahead but uptake is a currently a little slower than we would have hoped. Students wishing to go on the trip need to register their interest to Miss Pugsley as soon as possible.

## SMARTY PANTS SCHOOLWEAR

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Smarty Pants Schoolwear will be moving to the following address on Thursday 28 April:

Unit 1  
Chancerygate Business Centre  
33 Tallon Road  
Brentwood  
Essex CM13 1TE

The phone number is unchanged: **01277 363275**

The office will be closed from Wednesday 27 April and will be open for business on **Tuesday 3 May**.

Parents may collect uniform from the Ongar address until Tuesday 26 April. If there is a uniform emergency, please contact Reception at Becket Keys for assistance.

## HISTORY 'HAS' TIME (H.A.S = HELP AND SUPPORT)

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History 'HAS' time will now be offered to GCSE students every Tuesday after school, in addition to Wednesday (3.20pm - 4.10pm). All GCSE history students welcome! These sessions are offered in every subject free of charge. Don't spend money on an expensive tutor, get the extra help you need in school! The timetable is on the website and on posters around school. Sessions run at lunchtime and after school on various days.

## CHARITIES UPDATE

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Last week we reported that the Charities Committee ran a popular chocolate krispy cake sale. Sales have now been counted and the total raised was over £55! Thank you to all who made cakes and thank you to everyone who bought and ate them!



## NOTICES

### BUDE

A Year 9 student is unable to take his place for Bude and the family are keen to offer it to another family at a discounted rate. If you are interested in the place and would like to make an offer for the ticket. Please contact the school: [office@becketkeys.org](mailto:office@becketkeys.org).

### UNIFORM MATTERS

A reminder that girls cannot have their ears pierced until the summer holiday. They should get them pierced on the first day to allow the full six weeks to heal. Earrings must be small with discreet designs.

Students are not allowed to wear any other jewellery apart from a small cross on their lapel.

### SHOES

Shoes must be black and leather. We prefer lace ups. Students can borrow shoes from the school in emergencies.

### TOP UP ACCOUNTS

Don't forget to keep your son/daughter's ScoPay Account topped up. We are unable to lend money anymore and so a small 'emergency' £2 buffer has been added to your child's account. If this is used too often it will have to be removed. But it will allow students to buy a sandwich in an emergency so they do not go hungry!

### CONTACT DETAILS

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01277 286600

[office@becketkeys.org](mailto:office@becketkeys.org)  
[www.becketkeys.org](http://www.becketkeys.org)



## VACANCIES

We are currently recruiting for teaching staff. Please see our website for details of all current vacancies:

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

### Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 26 April  
HPV Vaccinations Year 8 & 9 girls

Tuesday 26 April – Trip Meetings Main Hall:  
Year 7 Bushcraft 5.30 – 6.15pm  
Year 8 Madrid – 6.30 – 7.15pm  
Year 9 Bude – 7.30 – 8.15pm – this is a drop in session only for any last minute queries

Friday 29 April 5.30 – 6.15 pm.  
Main Hall – GCSE Information Evening for Year 10

Friday 29 April to Wednesday 4 May  
Year 9 Bude Trip

Monday 2 May – Bank Holiday

Friday 13 May – FoBK Wine Tasting Quiz

Thursday 26 May - Sunday 29 May  
Year 8 Madrid Trip

Friday 27 May – Sunday 29 May  
Year 7 Bushcraft Trip

Friday 27 May  
Year 7 & 8 Day trip to Stubbers

Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June – Whitsun Holiday