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Becket Keys Church of England School

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We run a six term year and this means that there is no such thing as a 'half term' here. So, what do you call a holiday in October? We decided to call this holiday the 'All Saints Holiday'. Our February break is called the 'Lent Holiday' and the May/June holiday is called 'Whitsun'.

This holiday is not one I would have related to as a child. My family never talked about Saints, but over the twenty years I have been working in Anglican Schools, I have come to love and admire many of our Saints. Furthermore, I think I appreciate the importance of learning from the past, now more than ever. Stories from the past can help us to learn from other people's

mistakes and triumphs and we are missing out if we do not invest time in listening to what they teach us. History GCSE (and soon to be A-Level) is a very popular subject here (over 100 students taking it in Year 11) and for good reason; it provides us with a wonderful opportunity to learn from the past.

During this Holiday, I will once again be spending time reading and learning from those who have gone before me and thanking God for the modern Saints who have helped, supported and guided me.

I hope you already know that Terry Waite is coming to our school on Friday 4th November. You can book tickets here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/an-evening-with-terry-waite-tickets-27993316764>Contd. on Page 8



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Church of England School

Lower School Production

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Annie

This year's Lower School production is Annie!

Set during the 1930s, Annie is a feisty young orphan girl who lives in an orphanage for girls run by the tyrannical Miss Hannigan. Her situation seems hopeless; however, it dramatically changes when she gets a chance to spend some time at the residence of the extremely wealthy Oliver Warbucks. Quickly, she charms the hearts of the household staff and even the seemingly cold-hearted Warbucks cannot help but learn to love this wonderful girl. He decides to help Annie find her long lost parents by offering a reward if they would come to him and prove their identity.

Miss Hannigan, her evil brother, Rooster and a female accomplice, plan to impersonate Annie's parents in order to get the reward for themselves! This puts Annie in great danger will she be reunited with 'Daddy' Warbucks?

This much loved family show which includes musical numbers such as 'Tomorrow', 'Maybe',

'Little Girls' and 'Easy Street' has been chosen for the Lower School Production and is already proving very popular as the audition slots for principle cast for the 1st November and 2nd November are **FULL!** There will now be two additional drop in sessions on Wednesday 2nd November first half of lunch, and Thursday 3rd November after school for those who have put their name down but didn't manage to get a time slot previously.

If you would like to be in the chorus or a tech crew member, please sign up in RH1.

If you would like to audition for Annie, a principle orphan or Grace please prepare a **performance** (remember choreograph-engage your audience) to 'Maybe'. Follow the links here for lyrics and a backing track to rehearse.

<http://www.stlyrics.com/lyrics/annie/maybe.htm>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RPX8hhP6j7Q>

If you would like to audition for Miss Hannigan please prepare a **performance** to 'Little Girls', lyrics and backing tracks below.

<http://www.metrolyrics.com/little-girls-lyrics-annie.html>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=28FFBPD9p5o>

If you would like to audition for a male principle cast member please prepare a monologue, which can be collected from RH1.

And if you need any more help please see Miss Crisp!

See you at the auditions!



Sports News

Rugby – Year 9

The Year 9 boys enjoyed their first game of the season against a strong Moulsham side on Thursday 13th October.

Becket Keys were up for the battle as Moulsham were the only team that beat them last year. They used this determination throughout the match with Lewis Deller making some fantastic breaks and scoring three tries, along with Pat Warriner, Louis Ridley and Jim Peace making some excellent breaks from the centre. Moulsham had a very strong tackling side, but our forwards were very powerful in the rucks and scrums winning the ball on many occasions. This allowed for Ryan Blignaut to get the ball out to Jim Peace. Throughout the game Ryan Blignaut got quick ball to our forwards and backs which allowed Becket Keys to keep the pressure on from the rucks and scrums. Our backs Ryan Blignaut, Jim Peace, Louis Ridley, Pat Warriner, Samuel Odetei and Will Uings made some amazing play.

Our scrums Denzel Okwuasaba, Luc Riches, Harrison Cole, Jack Hitching, George Tubby, Frank Allum, Johnny Wyndham and Lewis Deller were very powerful. Our forwards were in every ruck with an amazing effort by Frank Allum getting to a lot of the rucks along with the other forwards. Ryan Blignaut made sure he was

there to pass the ball out. Luc Riches was an excellent Captain, keeping the hopes of the whole team up and making sure we won the match.

Harrison Cole made some big hits along with Lewis Deller and Louis Ridley. Louis Ridley and Johnny Wyndham scored a lovely try as Louis made an excellent run and off loaded to Johnny allowing him to score. Louis also scored twice along with Jack Hitching to add more points on the board. Moulsham also made some breaks with their number 12 who scored all five of their tries. They were a good side but when Becket Keys found their stride they were unstoppable.

Overall, it was a great game at 44 – 27 to Becket Keys who will look to carry their momentum forward for the season and will be ready to face any team that comes towards them.

Ryan Blignaut Year 9

Netball

On Monday 17th October the Year 7 and 8 netball teams travelled to Sandon to compete. The Year 8 team played against Sandon School and the Year 7 team played against both Sandon and Ormiston Rivers. The Year 8 team played well but unfortunately could not score a win for this game. The Year 7 team worked together well taking part in some close matches. Their skills shone

throughout both games which secured us a win in both. Another great day for Becket Keys netball.

The player of the tournament for Year 7 was Libby Prentice and for the Year 8s it was Ella Brook.



Football

The Year 10 boys' football team played a very competitive cup tie against KEGS on Monday. The game was full of exciting moments and went right to the wire. Becket Keys started slowly and found themselves 0-2 down after eight minutes, with two

crosses looping over all of the defenders and goalkeeper aided by the extremely low and bright sunshine. Some teams would have crumbled at this point, but not in this case. Becket Keys started to play, passing neatly and crisply across the floor to create chances. Defensively, every player started to work for each other to keep the confident KEGS attackers at bay. In the second half, the team created chance after chance, before Freddie Mattock finished off a great passage of play from Becket Keys. KEGS retreated and Becket Keys pressurised every defender in possession, before a short back-pass was intercepted and finished by Nicco Lovelock. 2-2 and two goals for Becket Keys in two minutes! At this point there only looked like one winner, as Becket Keys attacked in waves. KEGS then attacked with five minutes to go and got a corner. Becket Keys thought they had cleared their line, only for KEGS to win the ball back again and drive forward. A midfielder shot from 25 yards and the ball was blocked by Becket Keys, only for it to loop up and into the top corner with one minute of stoppage time left to play. A painful end to a fantastic game in which every player deserved credit for believing, being positive in the face of defeat and displaying good sportsmanship after a disappointing end to the game.

Becket Keys 2

KEGS 3

The full squad was;

Jack Kennedy, Charlie Johnson
Freddie Mattock, Jack Buckland
Luke Seaward, Nicco Lovelock
Owen Day, Luke Savage
Nick Feltwell, Haydn Ince
Freddie Summers
Adoniz Oluwasanya
Dennis Yeboah, Tom Burkert
& Josh Selwyn

Cross Country

On Monday we took part in the English Schools Cross Country Cup at Coopers. This is a team event where the top four runners from each school add up their combined positions and the three schools with the lowest score go through to the regional round. All students who participated were a credit to our school and should be proud of their efforts. Special attention should be given to our Year 7 runners; this was their first time running for Becket Keys. Well done!

Our greatest success came in the Intermediate competition where our girls' team came second! Grace Burrell won the race, which is an amazing achievement! However, we would not have qualified if it were not for fantastic runs from Isla Bradley, Olivia Mullan and Lauren Hill. This team now go through to the regional event. If they qualify through to the next round, they will compete in the national finals! The intermediate boys' team have also qualified with strong runs from Luke Savage, Jacob Macdonnell, Harry Howard and Will Davey.

All runners were commended for their efforts and are now looking at various ways to develop their fitness for the next stage of the English schools' competition (Saturday 12th November) and the district competition (9th November).

Has this inspired you to think about joining a running club?

Havering and Mayesbrook Athletics Club -
membership@havering-mayesbrook.org

Basildon Athletics Club -
<http://www.basildonathleticsclub.com/membership/>

Chelmsford Athletics Club -
http://chelmsfordathleticsclub.hitsports.com/pages/page_27160/Membership-Enquiry.aspx

If you can't commit to something as formal as this, Becket Keys have teamed up with the Thrift Green Trotters. Students train on Thursdays after school for a small fee and are given opportunities to compete outside of school. Speak to Mr Conway or Mrs Pugsley-Fletcher for more details.

Parkrun also host semi-competitive weekly events at South Weald Park.

5km run @ 9am on Saturdays

2km run @ 9 am on Sundays (starts on 30th Oct)

If you don't fancy the competition, why not just go out for a jog once or twice a week?

Becket Keys Charities Committee

Becket Keys Charities Committee are proud to have supported a number of Charities throughout the years and organize many events for the chosen charities for that year.

Our two school charities this year are Special Needs And Parents (SNAP) and Young Carers. Both these organisations are involved with helping vulnerable children and young people in today's society.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES!



Once again we will again be supporting the Christmas shoebox appeal to give people in disadvantaged areas the gift of Christmas. This year we are hoping to break our record and donate 400 shoeboxes!

Please bring your shoeboxes to Reception on the morning November the 9th.

Find out more:

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child>

CHRISTMAS DONUT AND COOKIE SALE

There will be a donut and cookie sale on the 16th of December 2016 All of these delicious sweet treats will be only 50p each! Remember to bring in some money on the day!

POPPY APPEAL



We are again selling poppies to support our brave service men and women and their families. It is especially poignant this year as we commemorate 100 years since the battle of the Somme.

AN EVENING WITH TERRY WAITE



The Committee will be providing refreshments before this event please speak to Miss Major if you are able to assist in any way.

**FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER
7.00PM – 10.00PM**

The Becket Keys Charity Committee meet every Tuesday at 1.00pm in Room C26. We would welcome any new

volunteers who would like to get involved. Why not come along?

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

November:

Friday 4th:
An Evening with Terry Waite

Tuesday 8th:
Committee Meeting.

Friday 11th:
Remembrance Day

Tuesday 15th:
Committee Meeting

Tuesday 22nd:
Committee Meeting

Tuesday 29th:
Committee Meeting

December:

Tuesday 6th:
Committee Meeting

Tuesday 13th:
Committee Meeting

Friday 16th:
Christmas Donut & Cookie Sale



All Saints Holiday

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I have never met him before, nor read his books; I suspect that I am missing out. Over the holiday I am going to read 'Taken on Trust' and see what I can learn from this incredible man who had enough character to cope with being isolated in captivity for years. I am looking forward to meeting him in person. You can see more from him here on The One Show:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MrOtDaH_2so

At the end of the All Saints Holiday comes Hallowe'en. My understanding is that this originates from All Hallows Eve, the day before All Saints Day, a mix of pagan and Christian principles at work. There is little about Hallowe'en that I admire, I am afraid. It is full of folly; a focus on sweets and nonsense, characters from (at best) fiction and at worst whatever sells in the Pound Shop and from this we learn very little.

There's a message here about the society our young people are growing up in and one I am seeking to change. Our society will largely ignore All Saints Day, however, our streets will be full of families enjoying the folly of Halloween. I do not have a problem with a bit of fun and I like sweets more than most! But it is the constant admiration for what is ultimately worthless and the derision of what actually matters that concerns me. In the past,

your destiny used to be prescribed by your social status and standing. Now it is rightly, in my opinion, left to each individual to forge their own way. However, young people across Brentwood are doing this in a vacuous social media world where there is little to hang their values on.

As a school, we will be going to church on 1st November, All Saints Day and you are welcome to join us. We'll be at St Thomas' of Canterbury Church with P side and all of Year 7 at 11:30am for a Mass led by Father Colin, whilst here at school there will be a service for everyone else. (Next time we will swap over).

These services will give a chance for all of us to focus on our spiritual and mental well-being, a chance to focus on what actually matters.

So whatever your 'All Saints Holiday' entails I wish you a restful one and one which gives at least a few moments for reflection and consideration.



**MR SCOTT-EVANS
HEADTEACHER**

YEAR 11 - THEATRE TRIP

THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT TIME

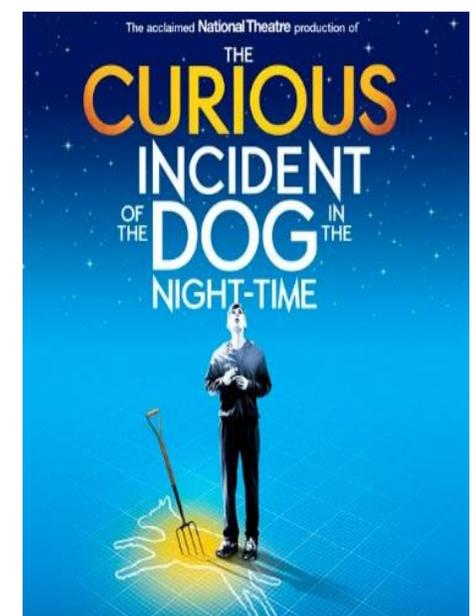
THURSDAY 19TH JANUARY 2017

EVENING PERFORMANCE £33.50 INCLUDING COACH TRAVEL – LETTER WILL BE SENT HOME WITH FULL DETAILS

SCOpay by Monday 7th November 2016.



A big THANK YOU to all those families who donated goods for the Harvest Foodbank collection



VACANCIES

We currently have no staff vacancies.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 3rd November

Year 11 Theatre Trip

Journey's End

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Friday 4th November

An Evening with Terry Waite

7.00pm – 10.00pm Main Hall

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/an-evening-with-terry-waite-tickets-27993316764?aff=es2>

NO SCHOOL DAYS

INSET DAY

FRIDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2016

ALL SAINTS HOLIDAY

MONDAY 24TH – FRIDAY 28TH
OCTOBER 2016

INSET DAY

MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2016

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