



DON'T FORGET TO BUY YOUR TICKET!

Becket Keys Church of England School

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Environmental Fund

Mr A Scott-Evans
Headteacher

If I asked you to give the school £5 to help us improve the environment here. What would you say?

What if I asked you to give £5 per month?

Or £50?!

Each year we ask people to contribute to our Environmental Fund, to buy new equipment, to make the school a more pleasant place to be and to help raise the standard of the day to day experience we can offer.

Hopefully you will respond to the request and look at the forms attached. Our Environmental Fund contributors are making a

huge difference to our school – thank you all!

However, did you know that you can raise money for our school without actually giving any of your own money? Perhaps you would be willing to sign up for Easyfundraising. If you do any shopping online, you can raise a small percentage on every purchase you make through the Easyfundraising site. Most of us will be doing quite a lot of online Christmas shopping over the next few weeks. Why not get the online stores to make a contribution to Becket Keys on your behalf?

Simply sign up here:

easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/2DUHC5/

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Church of England School

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Make a note of the date and make sure you get your ticket!.

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**TICKETS FOR THE DISCO ARE AVAILABLE
FROM THE LIBRARY FROM MRS MULLAN THE
FIRST HALF OF LUNCH.**

Becket Bistro



The wonderful staff in the Bistro will be serving a delicious Christmas Lunch on Thursday 15th December 2016.

Tickets cost £3.50 and students can purchase a ticket from the tills at the Bistro from Monday 28th November to Friday 2nd December. The price of the ticket will be deducted from your cashless catering account.

Advent Calendar

Do you want to be involved in News for Today's Advent Calendar?

Every day in December, students will enjoy a festive treat at the beginning of News for Today created and supplied by students and staff at the school.

If you would like to write a Christmas poem, draw a Yuletide picture or send a photo of some other festive creation, please speak to Mr Harries who will include it in the school's advent calendar. Help get us all in the Christmas spirit.



Sports News

Netball

On Tuesday, the Year 7, 8 & 9 girls' netball teams played games against Chelmer Valley High School. Becket Keys took 4 separate teams to play at this away fixture and played beautifully. The Year 8 and 9 teams were ahead from the off and worked hard to maintain their leads. There were moments when the scoring was particularly close. Fern Curtis-Brown played up for the Year 9 team and supported the girls excellently throughout. All of our girls were encouraging of the Year 13 Umpires and showed the exemplary level of sportsmanship that we expect at Becket Keys.

Well done to the Year 7, 8 & 9 teams for winning all of their difficult and tiring matches.



Badminton



On Tuesday 22nd November four Year 9 boys took part in the district badminton competition held at St Martin's School. We competed against St Martin's and Brentwood School, taking part in both singles and doubles games. All students played fantastically, showing both strong skills and character. The competition ended with a three way draw and we are currently waiting for the final results based on points. It was great to see our students performing so well and we will keep our fingers crossed the results come back in our favour.

Basketball

The Year 8 Girls' Basketball team started spectacularly with a win of the tip and a basket within the first minute! The team then applied pressure to Great Baddow, forcing them to change tactics. Becket Keys dominated the game with incredible defensive prowess and pushed towards a brilliant win of 54 - 5.

Team; Amelia Walker, Ella Brook, Ella Middleditch, Scarlett Day, Nancy Parish, Molly Uwins, Claudia Grosvenor, Sophie Birch and Hannah Lawrence.

Amelia Walker – Year 8



A Note from the PE Department:

Can you help?

We are in need of some spare kit, especially black shorts and PE socks. Trainers and boots in a size 6 or above would also be helpful. So, if you can have a look at home and see if there are any at the back of the wardrobe no longer being used, please donate them to the school.

Looking for Year 7 girls with a keen interest in swimming to form a team. Are you interested? Please see Mrs Pugsley-Fletcher.

Swimming

Boys' and Girls' Brentwood District Swimming Gala – Becket Keys finished 2nd overall!

The Becket Keys' swimming teams both had successful competitions at Brentwood School. The Girls' team finished third and the Boys' team finished second, leaving Becket Keys second overall on points.

There were many fantastic performances over the competition and the swimmers all deserve enormous credit. Abigail Carey won the Year 9 Freestyle, by a significant distance, in an extremely dominant display. Louis Stephen put on a masterclass in winning both the Year 9 Butterfly and Individual Medley District titles convincingly. But, perhaps the most impressive display was that of Rebecca Stroud, who won the Senior Individual Medley title, despite being in Year 10 and racing against Year 11, 12 and 13 students!

Individual District Champions:

Abigail Carey – Year 9 Freestyle

Rebecca Stroud – Year 10/11/12/13 Individual Medley

Louis Stephen – Year 9 Butterfly and Individual Medley



Sports Fixtures

Tuesday 29th November:

Year 7 and 8

Girls' Football Tournament (a) @ Colchester

Wednesday 30th November:

Year 9

Netball Rally (a) @ Anglo

Tuesday 6th December:

Year 8

Boys' Football v SJP (h)

Wednesday 7th December:

Year 8 and 9

Girls' Football v Shenfield (h)

Thursday 8th December:

Year 8

Boys' Basketball v KEGS (a)

Year 7

Girls' Football v Shenfield (a)

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You might need to search for 'Friends of Becket Keys' in the 'Cause you want to support' box. It takes a couple of minutes to complete and from then on you can simply shop in the normal way.

There is no junk mail, no spam, all the websites and prices remain exactly the same. There is no hassle. Please get signed up today!

**MR SCOTT-EVANS
HEADTEACHER**

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shopping,
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1. Join

Head to easyfundraising, search for us to start raising.



2. Shop

There are nearly 3,000 retailers on board, so pick the one you want and start shopping.



3. Raise

After you've made your purchase, the retailer will make a donation to us at no extra cost whatsoever!

      

Sixth Form Update

Medicine Workshop

Wednesday 30th November

2pm or 4pm

Dr Sarah Lynch is a junior doctor (F2) at the University Hospital of Wales in Cardiff. She attended a comprehensive school in Surrey (where she studied A levels in Chemistry, Biology, Politics and AS French) and then studied Medicine at Cardiff University. (which has been ranked third among the UK's medical schools after Oxford and Cambridge for two of the last three years). She will talk about the life of a medical student and then junior doctor. She will also help students to examine the qualities needed to be a doctor. Dr Sarah Lynch will then outline the process of applying to university for Medicine and what to do between now and then whilst attending Sixth Form at Becket Keys to ensure a successful application.

Once again the Main Hall was packed with parents and students interested in the new Sixth Form, which will be opening in September 2017. Excitement is growing as we see the new purpose built Sixth Form centre gradually being built.

Mr Scott-Evans spoke about applying to the Sixth Form online, the admissions process should we be oversubscribed, the new course guide and gave an update on the construction work.

There are exciting workshops and events being planned; the first of which is for those students who are interested in pursuing Medicine.

If you have any questions, please either email Mr Scott-Evans via the website www.becketkeys6th.org or Tweet the new Sixth Form Twitter page: @BecketKeys6th



Meet the Tutor – Form 7EW

We would like to invite Parents & Carers for those students in Form 7EW (this form only please) to the Bistro for an informal meeting so that they can meet the new Tutor for this form.

Tuesday 29th November 2016 @ 5.00pm

Tea & Coffee provided!



Christmas Gift Sale to raise funds for World Challenge Costa Rica 2017



Elliot Burke one of our Year 11 students will be having a gift sale on the following days at lunchtime:

Friday 2nd December

Tuesday 6th December

Friday 9th December

Hand-crafted and gift wrapped presents will cost a maximum of £2.50.

Presents available for parents, family and animals!

Please encourage your son/daughter to bring some money in to support this very worthy cause and grab a great gift at the same time.

LIGHTING UP BRENTWOOD!

Daisy Benson will be singing at the Brentwood Christmas lights switch on this Saturday 26th November at 4pm and the Shenfield Christmas lights switch on Sunday 4th December at 2:40 pm. It would be great for her to have some support!



MOBILE PHONES IN SCHOOL

We have had a few incidents recently where a number of staff and students have been filmed without their consent on camera phones.

This is a serious violation of trust and privacy and is obviously unacceptable.

Everyone has the right to come and work and learn at Becket Keys, feeling safe without fear of being secretly filmed or photographed.

In response, we are needing to take a much stronger stance on all use of mobile phones in the school. This is necessary to keep everyone safe.

From now on, if students have their phone out during the school day, we will be taking them and recording the fact on their file on SIMS.

If it is the first incident, they will get the phone back at the end of the school day.

If it is the second incident, we will keep the phone overnight.

If it is the third incident, we will keep the phone for a week.

If it the fourth incident, we will keep the phone over the weekend.

After that, you will be banned from bringing your phone into school at all.

If this happens and you bring your phone in anyway, you will be facing an exclusion.

JOIN THE MOST SUCCESSFUL JOBS AND CAREERS EVENT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN LONDON

Bursting with careers

From music to environment

skillsLondon 2016

**ExCeL LONDON, 9 & 10
DECEMBER 2016**

**London's biggest jobs
and careers event**

Exhibitors include:

- Business and Public Sector Employers
- Further Education Colleges
- Sector Skills Councils
- Training/Work Based Learning Providers
- Universities and High Education Institutions
- Charities and Advice Bodies

Zones:

The event features distinct zones to make it easier for exhibitors and visitors.

- Business & Finance
- Campus, Education & Training
- Careers & Enterprise Hub
- Creative, Hospitality, Retail & Leisure
- Design, Construction & Property
- Energy & Environment
- Public Services, Health & Care
- Science, Technology, Engineering & Manufacturing
- Transport & Infrastructure
- Uni Street



Skills London is London's biggest jobs and careers event for young people and takes place at ExCeL London 9-10 December 2016. Aimed at 15-24 year olds, this two day event will provide young people and their families with a rare chance to discover careers through interactive, inspirational activities and demonstrations, and help young people visually bridge the gap between what they enjoy doing and what they could potentially do as a career.

Helping connect talented young Londoners with job and education opportunities with our top firms and colleges is at the very top of my agenda; and Skills London is where tens of thousands of eager young recruits collide with the remarkable opportunities available to them with our city. It is a wonderful event that is getting bigger and better every year."

Sadiq Khan, The Mayor of London

Christmas Concert

Tuesday 13th December at 7.30pm

Parents and carers are invited to this wonderful event however space limited as our Main Hall can only seat 300. We have to limit seats to one student and two adults.

Tickets cost £4.00

Please note that if your son/daughter is part of the choir or orchestra you will be entitled to buy two seats.

To reserve your seats please pay on the online SCOpay system, entering the total cost in the 'Enter Payment Amount' field. For example, £4 for one ticket, £8 for two tickets and so on. Seats will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. **Please note that your SCOpay receipt will act as your concert ticket - please bring a printout of the email receipt to show on the door.**



VACANCIES

We are currently looking for the following subject teachers to start after Easter 2017 (or before)

English Teacher

Science Teacher

Mathematics Teacher

Geography Teacher

PE Teacher

Cover Teacher

For more information and application details please go to the website
www.becketkeys.org

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Christmas Concert
Tuesday 13th December
7.30pm

School Christmas Dinner
In the Bistro
Thursday 15th December

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