



AMERICAN VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Becket Keys Church of England School

22nd June 2018

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Mrs Sharp writes:

Made for mission

Our English word 'mission' comes from the Latin word for 'sending'. Being a Christian includes being sent into the world as a representative of Jesus Christ. Jesus said, 'As the Father has sent me, I am sending you' (John 20:21). This week we have been delighted to welcome the 'American team'; a group of young Christians from the USA who have shared their faith and demonstrated their Christian values. They have achieved this through discussion of ethical issues in Religion and Philosophy lessons (with students of all ages), presentations, testimonies, sketches, worship, music and attendance of High School Musical rehearsals.

Feedback from Mr. Silver:

'I had the pleasure of hosting our American missionary friends in three lessons with Years 9 and 10. Their visit in the classroom made a great impact, both with their numbers (on one occasion there were 13 in the class) and their openness and clear love and care for our students. Their topics were prejudice and discrimination, and sexual abstinence. Our students love visitors in the classroom and these Americans were no exception. They presented their ideas powerfully and interestingly through personal testimonies and in group work with the students who were able then to give their own views and insights. What struck me most of all was the youth of the Americans. Many of them were in their mid-teens and

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some as young as 14!

To hear them speak about their own faith story with courage and conviction was a real privilege and made me think of 1 Timothy 4:12: 'Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.' That is exactly the example for American friends set, and I for one hope to meet them again.'

Inspirational Speaker and ex NBA basketball player Bay Forrester has also visited us again this week to speak to other year groups about Ephesians 5:1 - a call to be imitators of Christ. He encouraged students to look at Christ's life in the Bible and to see God's purpose in everything created.

Feedback from Mrs. Cavalier: 'It was great to see Year 7 so engaged and inspired by Bay Forrester in collective worship today. His message was simple and clear – reflect on how you are serving God in your daily life. Use your knowledge of how Jesus led his life as an example of how to lead your life – by imitating him, you are an imitator of God and this is God's will.'

Both Bay Forrester and the American Team are true messengers of God's love and purpose in the world. We are extremely grateful for the opportunity to welcome these visitors to our school. They have touched the lives of many students and teachers.

Mrs Sharp, Deputy Headteacher

Finished with your revision guides?

Make space in your bookcase by donating your unwanted text books and revision guides.



Please drop books off in W21 or at reception or give to Mrs Barden

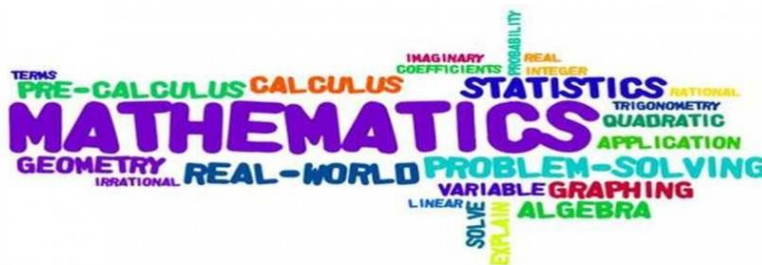
If you also have any school text books which have found their way home please return them – no questions asked!



Mathematics Challenge

Why would a barber who supports England rather cut two French supporters' hair than one German supporter's hair?

Send your solution to Mr. Tyson on Twitter @BKS_MATHS



Becket Keys Charities' Week

Charities' week will run the week beginning **Monday 2nd July**.

Events will include:



- A cake sale of cakes made by staff
- A cookie and donut sale
- 'Cream' a teacher!
- Sing your heart out karaoke
- Activities in the playground – can you be the fastest in the school to eat a dry Weetabix?
- Stool hoopla
- Guess the sweets in the jar
- What do the teachers' desks look like at home?



And yes, there's a non-uniform day!

The non-uniform day will also be raising money to buy equipment for students to use in the new playground area being developed and therefore the contribution this year is £2. Form teachers will start collecting contributions during next week.

We look forward to a fun week and to raising money to support the playground fund and our nominated school charities: MIND Brentwood and Oxfam.

**Mrs Ahlner &
The Charities' Committee**



Lego Wanted!



If you have any Lego at home that you no longer need then please send it into school for the attention of Mrs. Cavalier.

THANK YOU!



**ParentPay
will be live from
Thursday 5th July 2018!**

Action needed: you should now have received an email from ParentPay, with instructions on how to register and your log in details. Please action promptly to make sure you are ready for the go live date!

Please email payments@becketkeys.org if you have not received the email, or if you have any queries.

In case you missed the message in last week's newsletter, our online payments provider will be changing from Tucasi SCOPay to ParentPay on **Thursday 5th July 2018**.

Don't worry, all balances for catering, trips, purchases and events will be transferred over from our current system by the school.

Please let us know if you have any issues.

BIBLICAL PAUSES

EVERY TEMPTATION IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO GOOD



In the last Biblical Pause, we looked at how our school helps to grow strong foundations in Christ. Our seven values help us to live guided by God's Word and following the example of Jesus. We show **respect** and **responsibility** by being **trustworthy, honest, caring, fair** and **forgiving**. This does not mean that living out our Christian values is easy and that we are never tempted to do the wrong thing. However, through our path to spiritual maturity, **even temptation becomes a stepping-stone, rather than a stumbling block** when you realise it is just as much an occasion to do the right thing as it is to do the wrong thing. Temptation simply provides the choice. Every time you do the right things instead of sin, you grow in the character of Christ.

JAMES

REAL FAITH LIVED OUT

THE TRIALS OF LIFE, JAMES 1:1-12

'Happy is the man who doesn't give in and do wrong when he is tempted, for afterwards he will get as his reward the crown of life that God has promised those who love him.'



To understand this, you must **first identify the character qualities of Jesus**. One of the most concise descriptions of his character is the fruits of the Spirit:

'When the Holy Spirit controls our lives, he will produce this kind of fruit in us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.'

Galatians 5:22-23

How then does the Holy Spirit produce these in your life? You will

not wake one day to find yourself fully developed with these characteristics. No. Fruit always matures and ripens slowly. God develops the fruits of the Spirit, by allowing you to experience circumstances in which you are tempted to express the exact opposite quality. **Character development always involves choice and temptation provides opportunity.** For instance, God teaches us **love** by putting some challenging people around us. It does not show character to love people who are lovely and loving to you. God teaches us real **joy** in the midst of sorrow, when we turn to him. Happiness can depend on external circumstances, but joy is based on your relationship with God. God develops real **peace** within us, not by making things the way we planned, but by allowing times of chaos and confusion. Anyone can be peaceful watching a beautiful sunset or relaxing on holiday! We learn real peace by choosing to trust God in circumstances in which we are

tempted to worry or be afraid. Likewise, **patience** is developed in circumstances in which we are forced to wait and are tempted to be angry or have a short fuse. God uses the opposite situation of each fruit to allow us a choice. You cannot claim to be good, if you have never been tempted to be bad. You cannot claim to be **faithful**, if you have never had the opportunity to be unfaithful. Integrity is built by defeating the temptation to be dishonest; humility grows when we refuse to be prideful; and endurance develops every time you reject the temptation to give up. **Every time you defeat a temptation, you become more like Christ.**

Understanding how temptation works is in itself helpful, but there are three specific steps you need to take to overcome it:

1. **Refuse to be intimidated:** We should not be discouraged by it. The Bible says 'when you are tempted' not if. Paul advises, 'remember that the temptations that comes into your life are no different from what others experience' (1 Corinthians 10:13). It is not a sin to be tempted. Temptation is only a sin when you give in to it. Jesus himself was tempted (Mark 1:9-15, Mark 4:1-11). It is turning away from sins and believing the Good News which makes the difference!
2. **Recognise your pattern of temptation and be prepared:** There are certain situations that make you more vulnerable to temptation than others. Some circumstances will cause

you to stumble almost immediately, while others do not bother you much. These relate to where you are, the time of day, who is with you and how you feel. Plan for these situations or avoid them. Refocus your attention on something else.

3. **Request God's help:**



Heaven has a twenty-four-hour emergency hotline! God want us to ask him for assistance in overcoming temptation. He says, 'Call on me in times of trouble. I will rescue you, and you will honour me' (Psalm 50:15). This does not have to be a long conversation with God. A mini prayer, a quick call for help, is all that is needed. An S.O.S is all it takes! The Bible guarantees that our cry for help will be heard because Jesus is sympathetic to our struggle.

Remember, temptation keeps us dependent upon God. Just as the roots grow stronger when wind blows against a tree, so every time you stand up to temptation, you become more like Jesus. When you stumble, which we all do, it is not fatal. Instead of giving in or giving up, look up to God, expect him to help and remember the reward that awaits you:

'When people are tempted and still continue strong they should be happy. After they have proved their faith, God will reward them with life everlasting.'

James 1:12

Let us pray:

Dear Lord, I believe that You will help me stand strong when I am tempted to do wrong. I believe You will give me the words and actions to do the right thing. I believe that if I pause a moment and ask, You will help me. I believe that You will strengthen me, protect me and guide me. I believe I can be more like You.

Lord I ask that you continue to remind me how important it is to invite your presence daily into my life and circumstances. I lift up to you my relationships with others. Bring these into your loving arms. Please show me the way to let go, to forgive and to set free. Protect and preserve me from all misunderstanding and miscommunication. Give me compassion and forgiveness, so that I may value and use the love that you have given me.

*Lord, thank you for loving and accepting me. You proved your love on the cross and your acceptance by filling us with your spirit. Thank you that you have welcomed me into your presence. Help me to love and accept the people you have placed in my life. Lord thank you that, because of your love, you have already decided that through the gift of your Son we are set free, our sins are forgiven. How great is your grace. **Amen.***

Mrs. Sharp
Deputy Headteacher

Sixth Form Trip Rathbones

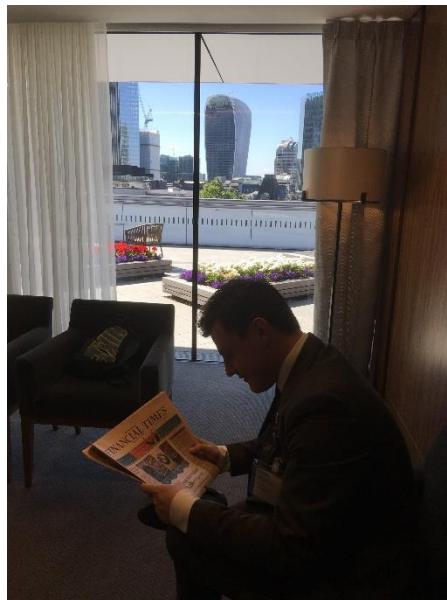


Today, twenty two students travelled to London to visit Rathbones, in Finsbury Circus, (one of the UK's leading providers of investment management services) to hear a fantastic presentation from two of their investors. The students enjoyed the great views looking out over the London City skyline, while learning about the importance of finance in their future.



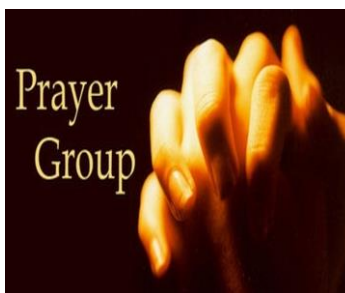
The students were taught about the different methods of managing finance in their life, discussing the best ways to support their future lifestyle by saving and investing while, also looking into the effect of inflation on savings. As well as learning about finance, the students were given great insight into how they could find themselves working in the city for investment firms, discovering pathways not only

through university but also through apprenticeship schemes. Students found the talk incredibly useful and gained a much better understanding on how to organise their financial future, as well gaining a better understanding of an investor's daily life.



Thank you to Mrs. Norman for arranging the presentation.
Thank you to Mr. Khoo and Mrs. Martin for taking the students.

Ryan Gamble - Year 12



There is time for parent/carers and the wider school community to pray with Mr. Scott-Evans Tuesdays 11:15am and Wednesdays 7:50am.

A warm welcome to all!



MyBand is a fantastic **Song Writing, Playing, Performing & Recording Holiday Course** run over two days at Becket Keys CofE School for 11 to 18 year olds.

What is it? - Explore different music genres, Rock, Pop, R&B, Soul, Jazz & Hip Hop. All instruments are welcome. Drums, Voice, Guitar, Bass, Sax, Violin and Trumpet. If you enjoy writing your own songs and want to play in a band, this course is definitely for you.

There will be many special guests throughout the sessions and the event will culminate with a video recording and performance to friends and family. Places are limited, so book early!

Register and Book online.
www.mybandmusic.co.uk

Venue: Becket Keys School
Dates: 26th – 27th July 2018
Time: 10am – 4.30pm
Cost: £100

FOBK Mega Inflatables Event



On Thursday 20th June 2018, Friends of Becket Keys, our hard working PTA, organised a Mega Inflatables event for the students at Becket Keys. Great fun for all those who attended! Thanks to all the organisers and volunteers.

FOBK are currently organising a number of events, in order to raise funds for the planned landscaping for the outdoor areas at the school. This will benefit all students, so please try and support their fundraising efforts.

You can make a one off or regular monthly donation to the JustGiving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaigns/charity/becketkeys-cofeschool/playground>

You will also find details in this newsletter for the Colour Run (or walk), being held on Sunday 1st July - a fun event in which

all the family can participate.

Tickets are available from Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/colour-run-raising-money-for-school-playground-equipment-tickets-45944571450?aff=es2>

There is also a final chance to book for the Golf Day being held on Tuesday 10th July.

Contact fobk@becketkeys.org for more information on these and all the exciting events planned.



Friends of Becket Keys – Fundraising



**The Friends of Becket Keys
Charity Golf Tournament**



Tuesday 10th July 2018
£50 per person – Teams of 4

- 8.00 am Registration opens with Bacon Rolls, Tea and Coffee
- 8.45 am – Welcome Introduction by PGA Professional
- 9.30 am – 18 Hole Competition (Shot Gun Start)
- 2.30 pm – Light Lunch followed by Team and Individual Prizes

Contact: Fobk@becketkeys.org to book your place
Friends of Becket Keys – Registered Charity: 1164165

Warley Park Golf Club
Magpie Lane, Little Warley, Brentwood CM13 3DX
01277 224891

This will be a fantastic day for entertaining clients or simply enjoying a round of golf with friends. **Last chance to book 28th June.**

CASH 4 COINS

Remember we are still collecting your unwanted foreign currency from around the world! We can take ANY coins or banknotes, regardless of currency or denomination.

(We even accept old pound coins and pre-Euro currency)

Please bring your coins/notes into school and leave at Reception.

Thank you for your continued support.

Do not forget to ask your family, friends and colleagues at work!

Share on social media!



July 1st
Colour Run
FoBK@Becket Keys
park on school site, event will be sign posted
REGISTRATION AT 10AM RUN AT 10-30AM
FOR TICKETS BOOK VIA EVENTBRITE
www.Eventbrite.co.uk

Sawyers Hall Lane CM15 9DA



Are you free to help us put the Colour into the Colour Run? We need volunteers to throw the colourful powder at our school community on Sunday 1st July? Our Colour run should be great fun!

Contact: Amanda (FoBK) 07740932782, if you can help.

Music Department Joint Summer Concert



Following the success of this concert in previous years, we will be performing once again in a joint concert between Becket Keys School and St. Peter's Primary School on Tuesday 26th June.

This will be held at St. Peter's Church, Weald Rd, Brentwood CM14 5QJ, and will commence at 7.00pm.

The cost of tickets:

Adults £5

Concessions £3

(over 60's, students)

Children under 11 free of charge.

The tickets are available from Pauline Davidson (please contact 07821 597440 to book) and also via Reception at St Peter's School or Becket Keys School - **cash only please.**

There may be tickets available on the evening, but we do sell a lot beforehand, so it is advisable to purchase in advance. Please do come and support the children in this concert. It should be a very enjoyable evening.

Mr. Romhany
Director of Music



The Royal Institution Science Lives Here

Becket Keys science department would like to invite you and your family to a science show by The Royal Institution.

6th July at 7.00pm
(Refreshments from 6.30pm)

The Main Hall
Becket Keys Church of England School
Sawyers Hall Lane
CM15 9DA

The Royal Institution, the place where science education began, is visiting Becket Keys Church of England School. A specialist presenter from the Royal Institution will be giving a talk called "Bringing science to life". Come and join us for an evening of science based entertainment and learning for the whole family. An action packed hour of demonstrations and experiments, which is an opportunity not to be missed!

Tickets can be paid for via ScoPay: £8.00 or £6.00 concessions



Year 10 Textiles

I am extremely proud of how well the Year 10 GCSE textiles students worked in their 10-hour mock practical exam this week. Their brief was to produce textiles work inspired by the theme – 'Under the sea and on the seashore'.

Students produced a wide range of different work including wall hangings, cushions, bags, skirts, bodices and art textiles. I am really pleased with the beautiful work they produced.

Well done Year 10!

Mrs R. Cherry
Head of Textiles



BECKET KEYS CHURCH OF ENGLAND
SCHOOL PRESENTS THEIR PRODUCTION OF



Disney

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL



TUESDAY 17TH AND WEDNESDAY 18TH JULY

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM MAIN RECEPTION
AND SCOPAY FOR ONLY £6
CONCESSION £4

Book by David Simpatico

Based on a Disney Channel Original Movie Written by Peter Barsocchini

Songs by Matthew Gerrard & Robbie Nevil Ray Cham, Greg Cham & Andrew Seeley Randy Petersen & Kevin Quinlan Andy
Dodd & Adam Watts Bryan Luiselle David M. Lawrence & Faye Greenberg Jamie Houston

Music Adapted, Arranged and Produced by Bryan Luiselle

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International [Europe] All authorised
performance materials are also supplied by MTI Europe



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Sports News

Oliver Legon

Silver 1 Male Swimmer of the Year



Congratulations to Oliver Legon for his tremendous achievements in swimming this year. Oliver chose to keep swimming through his GCSEs. The exercise has paid off in terms of his mental fitness, as well as his physical performance. It is a great example of how to balance revision and lifestyle - exercise, hobbies, diet and sleep - during study leave. Well done Oliver!



CITATION FROM THE AWARDS EVENING:

When you have a group of swimmers all pushing each other to achieve their goals, it creates a great team environment with rewarding experiences. They will go through the tough sessions together, feel the effects of hard work together and help each other find their limits. This swimmer has become the flag bearer of this in Silver 1. Whilst he may go under the radar at points, he is not afraid to put in the hard work, even when exhausted. Just when you think that he will not be able to give any more, he is consistently able to find another gear when quite frankly, we as coaches do not see it coming. It is to his credit, when shouting out his times during a session, it is often joined by a chorus of "How?" "What?" "Really?" remarks from his team mates. He has helped much of the squad to see what giving 110% effort looks like. He has made huge strides already this year, with hopefully much more to come!



This year's Jack Petchey winners at the achievement celebration event this Thursday.

Congratulations Archie Van Klink, Emily Hobbs and Nathan Hobbs.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SIXTH FORM BRIDGING EVENT

MONDAY 25TH – WEDNESDAY 27TH JUNE

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NEW YEAR 7 INDUCTION DAY

FRIDAY 29TH JUNE

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FOBK COLOUR RUN

SUNDAY 1ST JULY

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YEAR 7 BUSHCRAFT TRIP

FRIDAY 6TH – SUNDAY 8TH JULY

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GOVERNORS' SPEECH & AWARDS EVENING

TUESDAY 10TH JULY

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BECKET KEYS' SPORTS DAY

THURSDAY 12TH JULY

*

INNER DRIVE WORKSHOP

FRIDAY 13TH JULY

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LAST DAY OF TERM

THURSDAY 19TH JULY - (FINISH AT 12.40PM)

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INSET DAY - FRIDAY 20TH JULY

Mark Your Calendar
Don't sit on the sidelines...Get involved!

THE
TEENAGE BRAIN

Ever wanted to know how the teenage brain works?

Now is your opportunity

Keep the **13th July** free from **6.45-7.45pm**

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