



Becket Keys Church of England School

16th November 2018

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Mr. Scott-Evans writes...

Playground Appeal

I hope you have all received and read the letter from Alison Butler about the fundraising progress for the playground. Friends of Becket Keys have worked really hard to raise £10,000 and thanks to generous donations on our Just Giving Page, we are almost ready to start laying the pathways and a solid base for the new Catering Pavilion.

However, we need more funds for trees, benches, shelters and equipment like basketball hoops and table tennis tables.

I sit in my office writing today looking out at our beautiful site and I am so grateful for all the hard work of the founders of this school in achieving a campus which has an 'independent school feel'. We even have a family of

peacocks! However, there is a huge expanse of grass waiting to be developed and we need a little more finance to get this finished to the high standard we have come to expect for our students.

Students have been telling me this week that they need more spaces under cover to sit at lunchtime. They like being outside, but they want some shelter too. Furthermore, in a school where students love to play ball games and practise their skills, we need more facilities to enable this. We have Year 7s (for example Rylee and Reuben) playing table tennis without a table! They are so keen to practise that they just hit the ball back and forth letting it bounce on the playground!

If every family gave just £10 right now on the following website, we

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would reach our target. You can visit our page here:
<https://www.justgiving.com/ca/mpaigns/charity/becketkeys-cofeschool/playground> and support our cause by making a one-off donation. Those who would like to make a regular donation to the school's Environmental Fund, should visit <https://tinyurl.com/bkregulargiving>.

I will be writing again soon about the opportunity to "sponsor" a particular item. Please give this some thought. Could you give a bench or a tree to the school as a gift this Christmas?! More details coming soon.

Please help us, if you can. Have a good weekend.

Mr. Scott-Evans
Headteacher

Sugarloaf Mountain Ski Trip 2020

We are again offering the amazing opportunity to travel to Sugarloaf Mountain in Maine, USA for a ski trip in 2020!

This trip is for Year 10 & 12 (current Year 9 & 11). Find out more at the information evening at 6pm on

Tuesday 20th November.

Check out the 2018 trip:

<https://youtu.be/er1WwtNCLnU>

School Prayer

Heavenly Father, we pray that Becket Keys Church of England School will be a blessing to the people of Brentwood.

Encouraged by the example of Peter, Thomas of Canterbury and all your saints,

may its students know the beauty of your truth;

may its staff know the joy of your service;

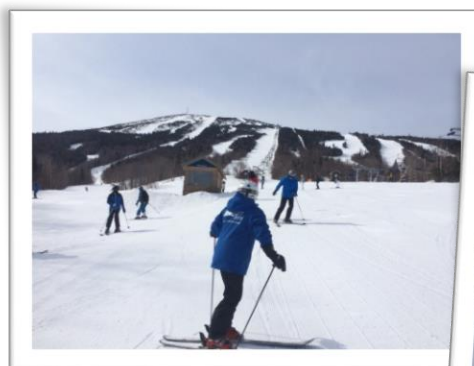
may its Headteacher and governors be led by a vision of your kingdom;

and, together, may the school community know your Holy Spirit in its midst.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

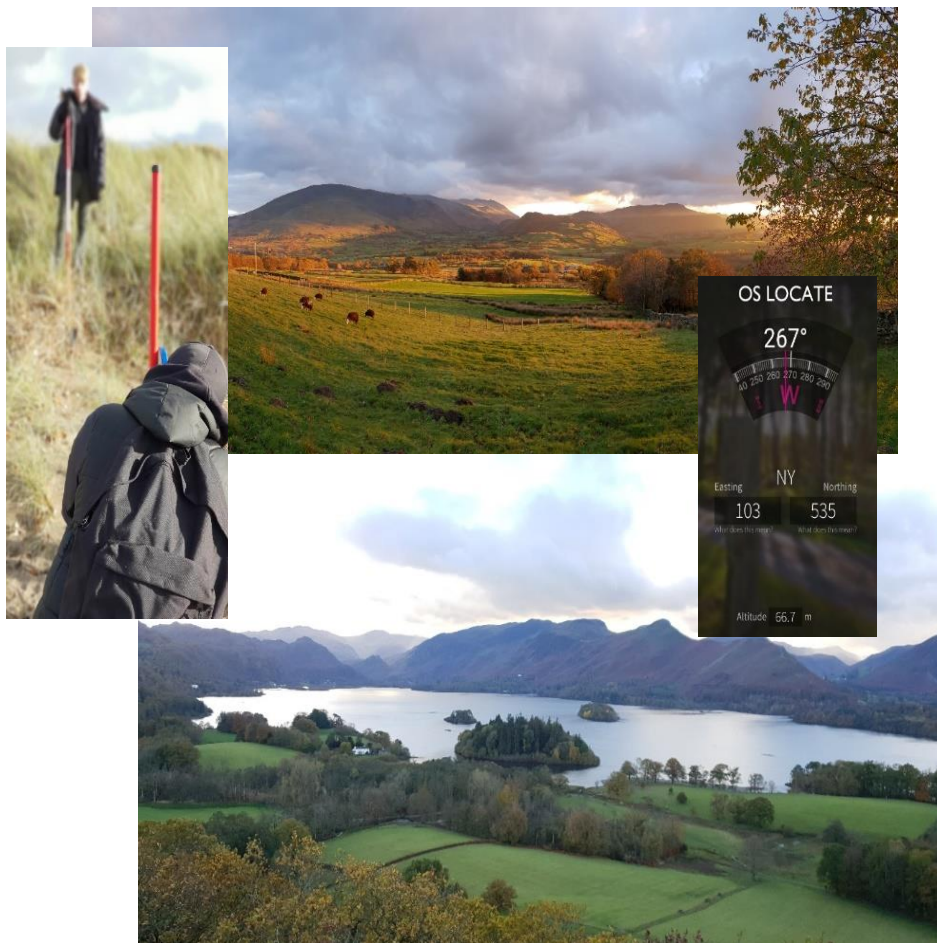
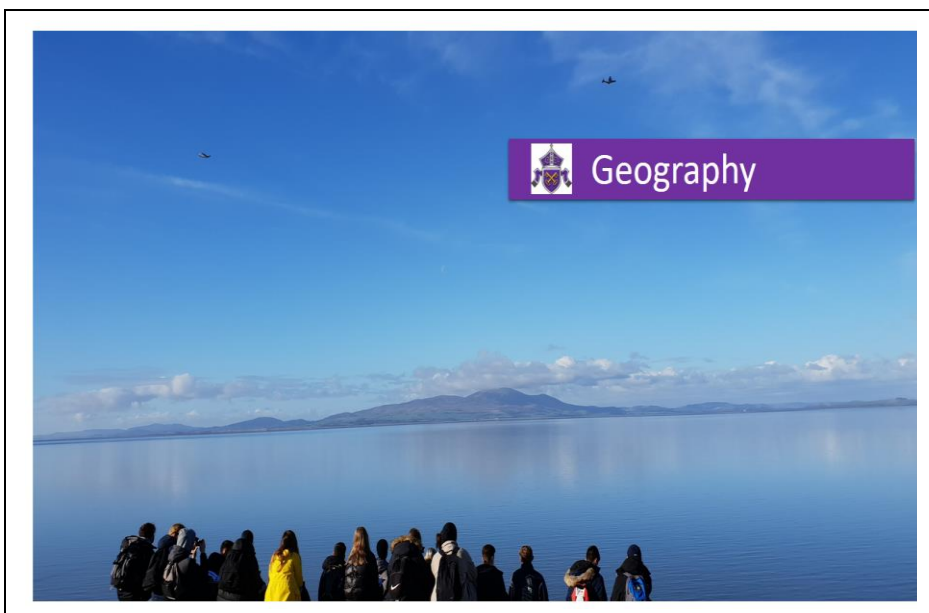


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Year 13 Geography - Blecathra Fieldtrip

As part of our coursework, the Year 13 Geography class travelled to Keswick in the heart of the Lake District to collect primary data about the town, and the nearby coast of Silloth. The Lake District has great scenery, and endless photo opportunities. We stayed in the Blecathra centre, a welcoming environment that provided the perfect opportunities to learn and socialise. As well as Mr. Taylor-Smith, our tutor for the week, Emma, was excellent at guiding the class so that we took the



most we could from the trip. Despite cold and wet weather for the first few days, everyone remained in high spirits and memories were made that we can reflect upon very fondly. Personally, my highlight of the week has to be seeing the coast of Scotland from Silloth. Or maybe nutmegging Iyanu in basketball, but he might want to keep that quiet...

Billy Brown – Year 13



Friends of Becket Keys

Help out when you check out

Join, shop and raise here:

As featured in:

the guardian The Telegraph Daily Mail The INDEPENDENT Evening Standard MAIL

Christmas Shopping? Why not see if you can help raise some funds for FoBK through your online purchases in a few easy steps:

Follow this link:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/1W14ZX/>

- Click 'Join us'.
- If new to Easyfundraising then set up an account.
- Browse the hundreds of online shops who participate in the scheme and go shopping! As long as you go into the online sites through the Easyfundraising site, you will register a donation to FoBK. You can even get an App for your phone! It will not cost you a penny!

The Friends of Becket Keys

Annual Christmas Ball

The Banqueting Suite Stock Brook Manor

Saturday 24th November 2018

7:30pm - 12:45am

Live band

Drinks reception, 4 course dinner with wine & beer

Free bar from 10:30 pm to 12:30am (house spirits, wine & beer)

Games & raffle with fantastic prizes

Ticket Price £70 per person

FoBK are looking forward to the Annual Ball on 24th November at Stock Brook Manor. This is always a fabulous evening and the biggest fundraiser of the year!

If you have purchased tickets for this event, they will be available to collect from reception.

Your son/daughter can collect them on your behalf.

We look forward to seeing you all on the 24th!

Please find attached the 2018 AGM report from Alison Butler the Chair of Friends of Becket Keys.

This gives you information about the events held last year and the fundraising activities that our hardworking PTA organise.

If you are interested in becoming involved, please contact them:

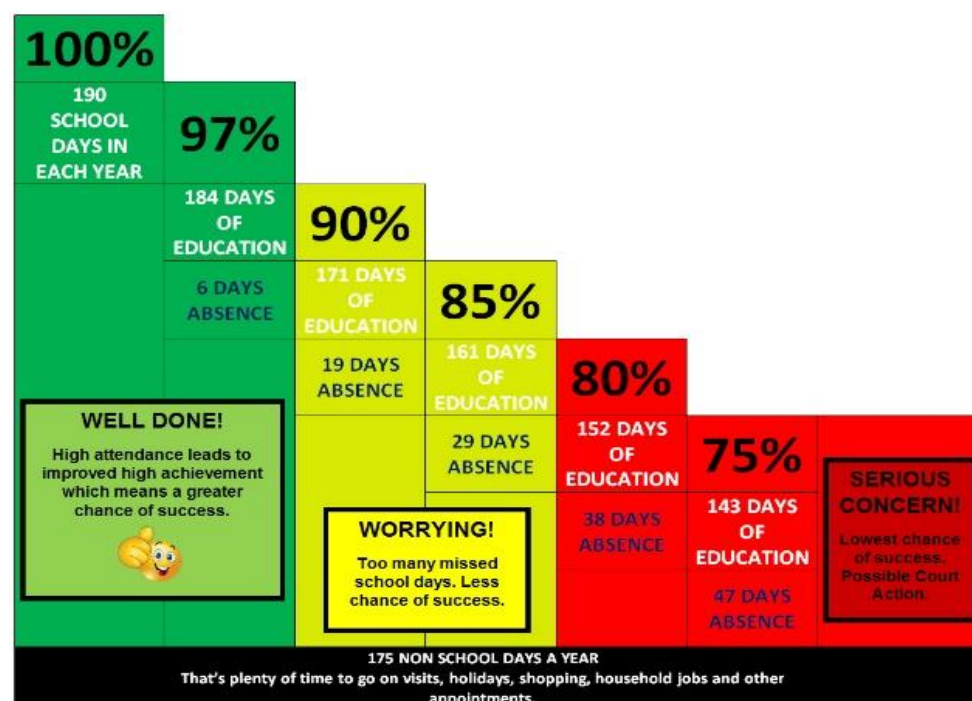
fobk@becketkeys.org



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School Absence

This chart represents how much time is missed throughout a year if attendance is low. Which category are you in? Anything under 90% is classed as persistently absent and can result in legal action from the school and the local authorities. We never want to go down this route at Becket Keys, so please ensure your children are in school as much as possible.



Late Gate 8.25am

Stuck in Traffic? Please ensure that if you and your son/daughter gets stuck in traffic and will be late, you contact the school to inform us.

If we do not hear from you and your son/daughter is late, they will have to attend a lunchtime detention.

Hire of School Facilities

Are you, or any groups or organisations you know looking to hire some of the amazing facilities at Becket Keys?

We have some availability for our fabulous new Sports Hall, Classrooms, Cookery Rooms, The John Wraw Chapel and Sixth Form areas in our new Justin Welby building!

Please email:

lettings@becketkeys.org or call 01277 286649 or visit

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

Year 9 Bude Trip 3RD – 8TH May 2019



Second payment of £145 due today please. All payments are made via ParentPay.

Please contact finance@becketkeys.org if you have any issues.

Every Friday after school for the next 4 weeks there will be sweets sold at the front gate to support World Challenge.

Remember to bring some change so you can get yourself a treat on the way out for the weekend!



Date Change

Y12 UCAS HIGHER EDUCATION EXHIBITION

EXCEL – Moved from Tuesday 26th March to MONDAY 25TH MARCH 2019.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT is now on WEDNESDAY 12TH DECEMBER

An up to date Parents' Calendar is available on the school website:

https://www.becketkeys.org/documents/Updated_Parents_Calendar_18to19.pdf



The team are looking forward to taking part in a boot camp on 1st December where they will gain invaluable advice and training from professionals. They will perform two numbers at the regional finals on 26th January 2019 at the Civic Theatre in Chelmsford.

Tickets to watch the Becket Keys Glee Club at the regional finals are now on sale!

CIVIC THEATRE, CHELMSFORD
Saturday 26 January 2019

Tickets £10
(£1.50 booking fee per booking)
www.chelmsford.gov.uk/theatres/

01245 606 505

Year 11 Next Steps Consultation

At some point in the next three weeks, all Year 11 students will be called to a consultation with a member of the Senior Leadership Team or a member of the Sixth Form Pastoral Team (Mr Khoo, Head of Year 12; Mrs Course, Head of Year 13).

This will be to discuss the next steps after their GCSEs.

Every student will have a consultation so that we can provide you with the advice and support that you need.

We also have an opportunity for external students and their parents to make an appointment during a Consultation Evening. This will be on November 22nd, from 4pm until 7pm, and will take the format of 15 minute appointments with either Mr. Peggs, Head of Sixth Form or Mrs Course, Head of Year 13 or another Senior Leader. Either side of this conversation, they will be able to speak to current Sixth Form students about their experiences.

Appointments can be booked via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sixth-form-consultation-evening-tickets-52207791911?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Sports News

Year 8 Essex Cup v Woodlands



Our already established Year 8 Boys' Basketball team started their Essex Cup Journey on Monday, taking on a prominent basketball school (Woodlands). The threat of a confident opponent did not affect our boys' morale and they were all up for the challenge! Despite several injuries to the team, our boys came out in full force. Debuts from Zach Humphreys, Gerard Ohene-Duah and Brady Doyle saw a full 11 man team attend.



The quarters were ever changing, we saw a strong 1st & 2nd quarter by our boys followed by a powerful 3rd quarter from the Woodlands side! The final score was 64-27 to our currently undefeated Becket Keys team! Despite an incredible debut from Zach Humphreys, the man of the match goes to Josh Haworth, who showed dominance and skill throughout with his calm and collected demeanour.

Their Essex Cup continues on Thursday 22nd November against Appleton School at Becket Keys. Tip-off is at 4pm if you would like to support this flourishing team, pop down and watch through the glass!

Mr. Jones
Head of PE

Brentwood District Swimming Gala



This gala was held on Wednesday afternoon. The students

represented our school with pride and great character.

Individual District Champions included:

Brady Doyle – 1st Place Year 8 Breaststroke

Oliver Legon – 1st Place Senior Butterfly

Daniel Legon – 1st Place Senior Backstroke

Louis Stephens – 1st Place Senior Breaststroke AND 1st Place Individual Medley

Will Skelt – 2nd Place Year 7 Front crawl

Charlie Cortney – 2nd Place Senior Front crawl

The Senior team also won both the freestyle and medley relays by around 35 metres - over a length of the pool! Considering these are races that are normally won/ lost on the touch/ by a body length (at the most) this is some achievement!



This also means that the Senior team have won the Brentwood District Team trophy!

Mr. Wray
PE Teacher



Year 7

Netball



The Year 7 Girls' Netball team enjoyed their Essex Cup match on Wednesday against a strong West Hatch side. The girls continued to show improvements quarter by quarter and although they lost the match, it was an excellent learning opportunity.

Player of the Match: Lowri Cole



Girls' Football Under 16 Team



Congratulations!

Our under 16s Girls' football team have progressed to the next round of the Essex Cup after a 2-1 win this week.

Well done girls!

Cross Country



Results from the Cross Country.

A tough race with some outstanding runners! Very proud of our students.

Archie Van Klink - 35th

Daniel Peters - 38th

Daniel Lawani - 43rd

Zekel Brann - 45th



BECKET KEYS PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Stay In Touch!

 @BKS_PE



Or Contact a member of our department:

- Mr Jones (Head of Department)
- Mr Wray (Head of Year 10)
- Mr Savage (Lead Fixtures)
- Miss Schafer (Girls Teacher)
- Miss North (Head of PSHE)

Sports Fixtures

Monday 19th November

Year 7, 8 and 9

Boys' Badminton

@ St Martin's School

Year 8 Netball v Anglo European(a)

Year 9 Netball v Anglo European
(a)

Tuesday 20th November

Year 9 Football v Plume (a)

Year 10 and 11 Boys' Badminton

@ St Martin's School

Wednesday 21st November

Year 7-13 Girls' Swimming Gala

@Brentwood School

Year 7 Basketball v Shenfield (h)

Thursday 22nd November

Year 8 Girls' Basketball Rally

@Shenfield High School

Year 8 Basketball v Appleton (h)

Monday 26th November

Year 7 Netball v Woodlands (h)

Tuesday 27th November

Year 7, 8 and 9 Girls' Football v
Plume (h)

Wednesday 28th November

Year 10 Basketball v KEGS (h)

Year 9 and 11 Netball v Shenfield
High School (h)



Parkrun organise free, weekly, 5km timed runs around the world. They are open to everyone, free, and are safe and easy to take part in.

These events take place in pleasant parkland surroundings and they encourage people of every ability to take part; from those taking their first steps in running to Olympians; from juniors to experienced runners. All are welcome!

Our local Parkrun takes place every **Saturday at 9.00am**. The event takes place at Weald Country Park, South Weald, Brentwood, CM14 5QS.

It is free to take part but please register, prior to attending. For more information:

<http://www.parkrun.org.uk/brentwood/>

Becket Keys have a number of Cross Country events coming up. If you have been chosen for any of these, then participation in the Park Run each week will give you an excellent opportunity to continue your training. If you are a member of any of the school sports teams then joining the Park Run each week will be great way to improve your overall fitness.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

YEAR 12 CONSULTATION EVENING

THURSDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

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SIXTH FORM CURRICULUM EVENING

TUESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

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CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

NEW DATE

WEDNESDAY 12TH DECEMBER

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SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH

THURSDAY 13TH DECEMBER

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CHRISTMAS EUCHARIST

TUESDAY 18TH DECEMBER

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LAST DAY OF TERM

(HALF DAY FOR STUDENTS)

WEDNESDAY 19TH DECEMBER

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INSET DAYS

TUESDAY 4TH JANUARY

& WEDNESDAY 5TH JANUARY 2019

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YEAR 13 PROM

MONDAY 13TH JULY 2019



YOUR HEALTHCARE CAREER STARTS HERE...

NATIONAL HEALTHCARE WEEKEND

“It just blew my mind! I met healthcare professionals who were honest and now I feel as though I have made an informed decision to pursue the career that I really want. I have been to similar events before but there is just nothing this good!”

Sophie Bridgewater, Year 12

ALL PHOTOS ARE FROM REAL MEDIC MENTOR EVENTS

THREE TIMES EACH YEAR IN:

NOVEMBER, MARCH & JULY

VENUE CITIES INCLUDE:

- LONDON
- BIRMINGHAM
- EXETER
- CARDIFF
- STIRLING

Medic Mentor
Motivating Medical Minds

DAY 1: INSIGHT CONFERENCE

The INSIGHT Conference is an essential event for any aspiring doctor, dentist or vet. It will help you to make an informed career decision and develop a greater insight into your chosen profession; a scored component of the UCAS application.

DAY 2: UCAS LECTURES

Optional UCAS lectures (for medicine only), offer comprehensive UCAS application support; for students who want to make a competitive application to medical school.

PRICES:

DAY 1 – £25/STUDENT OR 2 PARENTS
DAY 2 – £90/STUDENT (UP TO 2 PARENTS FREE). STUDENTS FROM LOW-INCOME BACKGROUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR FREE PLACES VIA MEDIC MENTOR'S STUDENT DIVERSITY FUND.

THE MENTORING ORGANISATION FOR ASPIRING DOCTORS, DENTISTS AND VETS

National Healthcare Weekend is suitable for students in years 10-12 or S3-S5. Parents and teachers are also encouraged to attend.

FIND OUT WHY OVER 6000 PEOPLE HAVE JOINED

MEDIC MENTOR AT

MEDICMENTOR.CO.UK

PROCEEDS FROM THESE EVENTS ARE REINVESTED TO SUPPORT THE NEXT GENERATION OF HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS, VIA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMMES AND EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH INITIATIVES.

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