

Becket Keys Church of England School

29th September 2023

BISHOP GULI OFFICIALLY OPENS THE CORONOATION GARDEN

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Mr Scott-Evans writes....

On Tuesday we had a visit from Bishop Guli Francis-Deqhani who came to open our new Sixth Form Deli Bar and Coronation Garden before leading a time of worship with Year 8.

The Sixth Formers gathered in the new Deli to hear the bishop say a few words about the importance of food and social time in the midst of a busy study schedule. She talked about how impressed she was with the school's recent results and congratulated students on their own hard work towards their goals.

Bishop Guli then cut a ribbon before saying a prayer. Our Head Boy and Girl took Bishop Guli for a tour of the other Sixth Form facilities, and then she met the catering team to thank them for all their hard work.

Next, we stepped outside into (thankfully) dry weather to visit the Coronation Garden. Sadly, our peacocks had made themselves scarce, but the bees and pigeons were bold enough to hang around to greet Bishop Guli. We were then joined by a few more Sixth Formers and two classes of lower school students who were keen to come and see the opening ceremony. Again, a ribbon was cut, and a prayer was said.

Bishop Guli told the students how pleased she was to be opening the Coronation Garden as she herself was one of only seven Bishops at the Coronation. She was one of a group of women who were the first female Bishops

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to ever be involved in a Coronation. You may have seen her on <u>TV</u> as she was right next to King Charles III as he received his orb, crown and robes.

Bishop Guli also commented on the importance of Mr Sedgley's pavilion as a tribute to a much loved teacher. She remarked on the beauty of the gardens and the importance of such spaces for students' mental health and wellbeing.

Finally, the morning was concluded with a time of Collective Worship with Year 8 who gathered in the Main Hall to hear Bishop Guli speak about our motto 'Faith in Learning' and lead a time of prayer. Bishop Guli explored how the school lives out the motto by ensuring that we have faith in learning as a process and an endeavour that changes lives and opens doors and how we bring Christian faith into learning and value the contribution of other faiths.

Bishop Guli told me during her visit how impressed she was with the school and our students and how delighted she and the diocese are with our progress.

I think we can all be very proud of our school, and we look forward to opening our doors to thousands of visitors over the coming weeks as we host our Open Mornings and Open Evening. Thanks in advance to the students who will be helping with these important events.

> Mr Scott-Evans Head Teacher







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Extra-Curricular Clubs







Year 7

First Aid Club With Mrs Johnstone Monday lunchtime for 4 Weeks 1pm- 1.30 Runcie Hall 2 Starts Monday 25th September



Our School Library (Lib A)

- Your school library is open at the following times:
 - Tuesday (4.2) 12.50-1.20
 - Wednesday (4.1) 12-12.30
 - Thursday (4.2) 12.50-1.20
 - Friday (4.1) 12-12.30.
 - More opening times will be announced soon.
- The library is open for you to:
 - Come and borrow or return books,
 - · Get help on finding a book you might enjoy reading,
 - Sit and read.
 - · Discuss books with other students.







Learn and share a hobby and come for a chat. Wool and needles can be provided.

Mrs Simmons

Every Thursday Lunch 4:2 in C20 12.45 - 1.25





Extra-Curricular Clubs – Performing Arts





MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Yr9 &Yr10 'Creative Space' 15.15-16.15 RH1 (Mrs Palmer)	Yr9 &Yr10 'Creative Space' 11.50-12.30 RH1 (Mrs Palmer) KS4 & KS5 'Practical Showcase Rehearsals' 15.15-16.15 RH1 (Mrs Barr)	GCSE 'Theory Workshop' 15.15-16.15 RH1 (Mrs Barr)	Invitation only and bookable space.	Yr7-Yr13 'Time to Shine' 15.15-16.25 RUNCIE HALL (Mrs Barr & Mrs Palmer)



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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1pm		Barbershop (singing)	Theory Club (8am)		
3:15pm	Orchestra Upper Voice	BK Choir	Marching Band (drums) Stage Band	Gospel Choir	Rock Factory

Orchestra is open to all yea groups for students who play an orchestral instrument.

Becket Keys Choir – Year 7. 8 & 9. Upper Voices for student in Years 10, 11, 12 & 13.

Barbershop – Singing group for Year 7 & 8 students. **Gospel Choir** – open to singers in all year groups.

Stage Band – Woodwind, brass, bass, guitar, drums, keyboard & piano.

Marching Band – open to all drummers.

Rock Factory – open to all guitars, bass, drummers and vocalists.

Join the Teen Library Hang-out!



At Shenfield Temporary Library

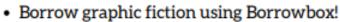
SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2023 10AM - 5PM

WE'RE BOOKS BUT NOT JUST BOOKS!

MORNING (10am - 1pm)

- · Super Mario League with Prizes
- · Free Pokémon Lucky Dip and Raffle
- · Manga Drawing
- Comic Book Villains
- Free hot chocolate and snacks!

ALL DAY (10am - 5pm)



Teen fiction special







Win an official Pokémon Quaxly plush in our free raffle!



Homework Club is available for all students. Every afternoon after school students can stay until 4.20pm and complete their homework in C11.

Using Homework Club is just one way we provide for students who do not want to leave site at 3.10pm. Avoid the traffic! Stay here for a while!



Please make sure that you topup your son or daughter's account each week so that he/she is able to access all the delicious meals in the Bistro.

There is a small overdraft facility on the ParentPay accounts of £2 for emergency situations, which covers the cost of a roll. Due to the cashless system in place, there is no other back up.

We do not want any student to miss lunch or the great choice of food available every day in our restaurants.

If you have any queries, please contact the school – office@becketkeys.org





If you are doing shopping online. Why not see if you can help raise some funds for FoBK through your online purchases in a few easy steps?

Click here, then:

- Click 'Sign up and support this cause'.
- 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!

If already a member, then why not refer a friend? FoBK will get a bonus when each person you refer makes a purchase.

Parent/Teacher Subject Consultation Evenings

These online events are a chance for parents to speak with individual teachers about the progress their son/daughter is making in each subject. However, if you ever have any concerns please contact the school via office@becketkeys.org or via the contact page on the school website.

Year 13 Thursday 2nd November 2023

Year 8 Thursday 9th November2023

Year 12 Thursday 16th November 2023

Year 11 Thursday 11th January 2024

Year 9
Thursday

1st February 2024
Followed by a Year 9 — Options Evening
Thursday
15th February 2024

Year 7 Thursday 29th February 2023

Year 10 Thursday 13th June 2024

What to do

Advice on childhood illnesses



Go to school; if needed, get treatment as required



Some restrictions for school attendance



Don't go to school and see the GP

What it's called?	What it's like	Going to school	Getting treatment	More advice
Asthma flare up	Worsening of usual symptoms	>	Follow your care plan	Stay off school if feeling too unwell
Chicken pox	Rash begins as small, red, flat spots that develop into itchy fluid-filled blisters		Pharmacy	Back to school five days after on-set of the rash, or when all lesions are crusted over
Common cold	Runny nose, sneezing, sore throat	>>	Pharmacy	Ensure good hand hygiene
Conjunctivitis	Teary, red, itchy, painful eye(s)	>>	Pharmacy	Try not to touch eye to avoid spreading*
Flu	Fever, cough, sneezing, runny nose, headache body aches and pain, exhaustion, sore throat		Pharmacy	Ensure good hand hygiene*
German measles/ Rubella	Fever, tiredness. Raised, red, rash that starts on the face and spreads downwards	•	GP	Back to school four days after the rash has started, if feeling well enough. Please let the school know, as pregnant members of staff may be affected.
Glandular fever	High temperature, swollen glands, sore throat; usually more painful than any before	>>	GP	•
Hand, foot & mouth disease	Fever, sore throat, headache, small painful blisters inside the mouth on tongue and gums (may appear on hands and feet)	>>	GP	Attend school while monitoring symptoms
Head lice	Itchy scalp (may be worse at night)	>>	Pharmacy	
Impetigo	Clusters of red bumps or blisters surrounded by area of redness		GP	Back to school when lesions crust or 48 hours after start of antibiotics
Measles	Fever, cough, runny nose, watery inflamed eyes, rash		GP	Back to school four days from on-set of rash, and if feeling well enough
Ringworm	Red ring shaped rash, may be itchy, rash may be dry and scaly or wet and crusty	>>	Pharmacy	
Scabies	Itching rash, commonly between fingers, wrists, elbows, arm	>>	GP	Back to school after first treatment
Scarlet fever	Fever, unwell, red tongue, sandpaper rash		GP	Exclusion period during first 24 hours of antibiotics*
Shingles	Pain, itching, or tingling along the affected nerve pathway. Blister-type rash		GP	Only stay off school if rash is weeping and cannot be covered
Sickness bug/ diarrhoea	Stomach cramps, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea		Pharmacy	Contact GP if symptoms persist after 48 hours
Threadworms	Intense itchiness around anus	>>	Pharmacy	Ensure good hand hygiene
Tonsilitis/ Strep throat	Intense sore throat for more than 1 day	>>	Pharmacy	See GP if temperature lasts more than 48 hours or cannot swallow . Only need to stay off school if feeling too unwell
Whooping cough	Violent coughing, with a 'whoop'		GP	Exclusion period during first five days of antibiotics
Covid				Visit <u>www.nhs.uk</u> for latest guidance

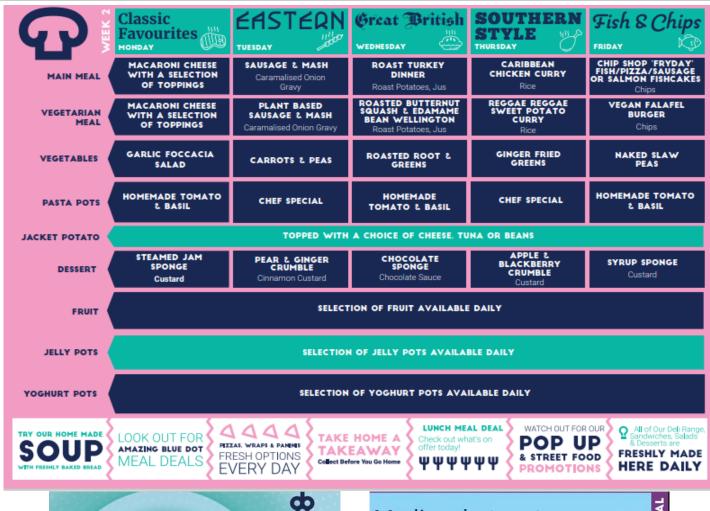
^{*}Attend school while monitoring symptoms.

This information is a guide and has been checked by health professionals. If you are unsure about your child's wellbeing, we recommend you contact your pharmacy or GP to check.

Should my child go to school/nursery today? Hertfordshire and West Essex Healthier Together for further information https://www.hwehealthiertogether.nhs.uk/parentscarers Working in partnership with













NEARLY NEW UNIFORM SALE

SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2023 SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

11.00am - 12.pm

We are planning to hold a nearly new uniform sale on 14th October. We are always happy to accept donations. If you have uniform that is no longer required, then kindly send it into reception as soon as possible. We would be especially grateful for kilts, blazers and Sixth Form uniform.

Many thanks!

Exam Invigilators Required!

We are currently looking for Exam Invigilators to join our team for the 2023/24 academic year.

You can work flexible hours while also supporting the school and our students through their GCSE and A Level exams.

Please see the <u>vacancies page</u> of our website for more details and how to apply.



If your son/daughter has misplaced anything at school, then kindly inform him/her that all lost property is taken to reception for collection.

Please make sure that all items, especially uniform are named, this will ensure that items can be returned to the student easily.

Prayer Group

Hosted by our Headteacher Mr Scott-Evans every Wednesday during term time at 8.45am. This is a short meeting where we pray together for local and national events and for any intentions of those in our school family. All are welcome.

If you have any prayer intentions, please send them into the school via the office email: office@becketkeys.org



The 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;

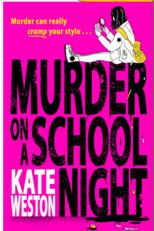
And together may the school community know your Holy Spirit in its midst.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



Book of the Month -September



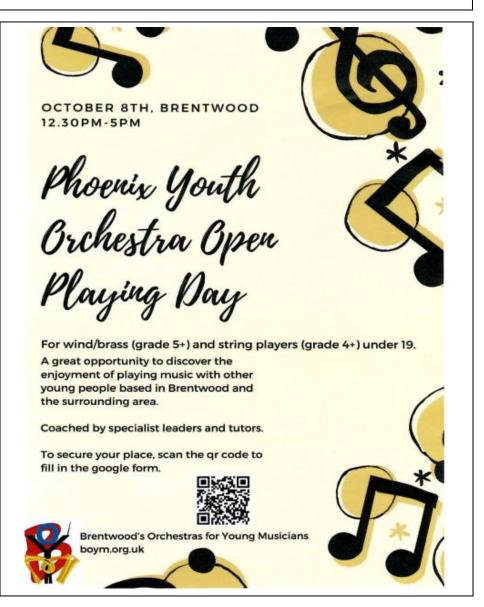
There's never a good time to find a dead body. But finding a dead body while you're trying to kiss your crush?

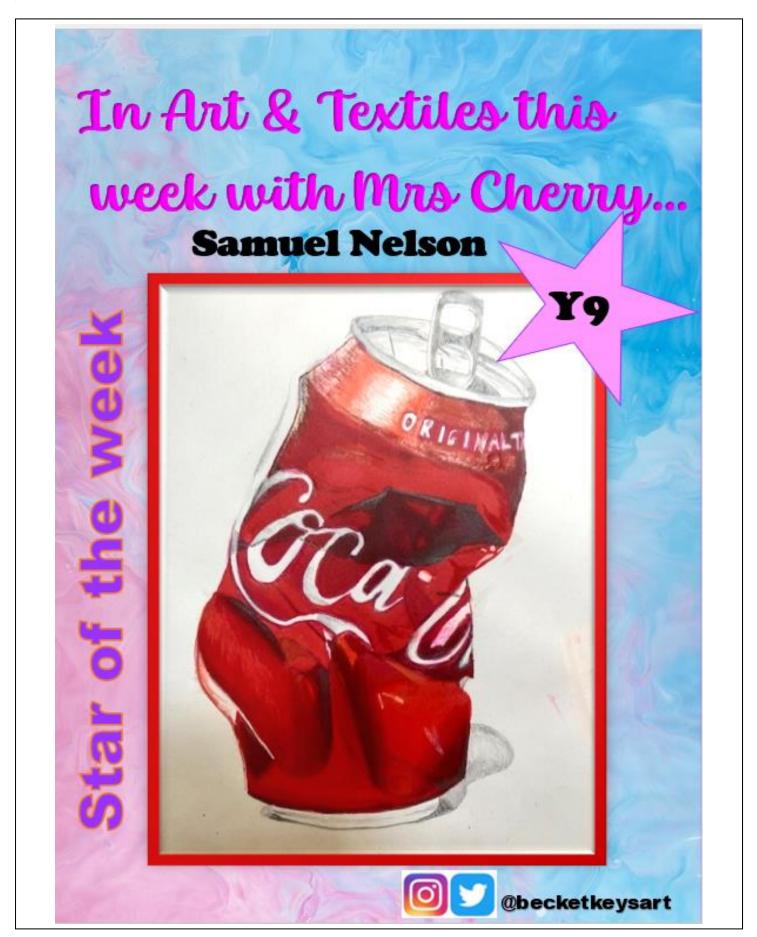
Dead awkward

Kerry had different plans for her first secondary school party — like not going. All she wanted to do was stay home in the safety of retro rom-coms and her strict retainer schedule. Instead her BFF, fiercely outgoing mystery-fanatic Annie, has roped her into going to the party to investigate who's cyberbullying Heather, the most popular girl in school.

Finding herself getting close with her dreamy crush is odd enough, but when the two of them discover the body of Heather's second in command, Selena, things get really weird. And when a second student turns up dead, Annie and Kerry—no matter how much she resists—are officially on the case ...

A hilarious murder mystery—rom-com from author and comedian Kate Weston investigates the sinister side of social media when bullying turns bloody—and a string of classmate deaths sets amateur sleuth Kerry hot on the



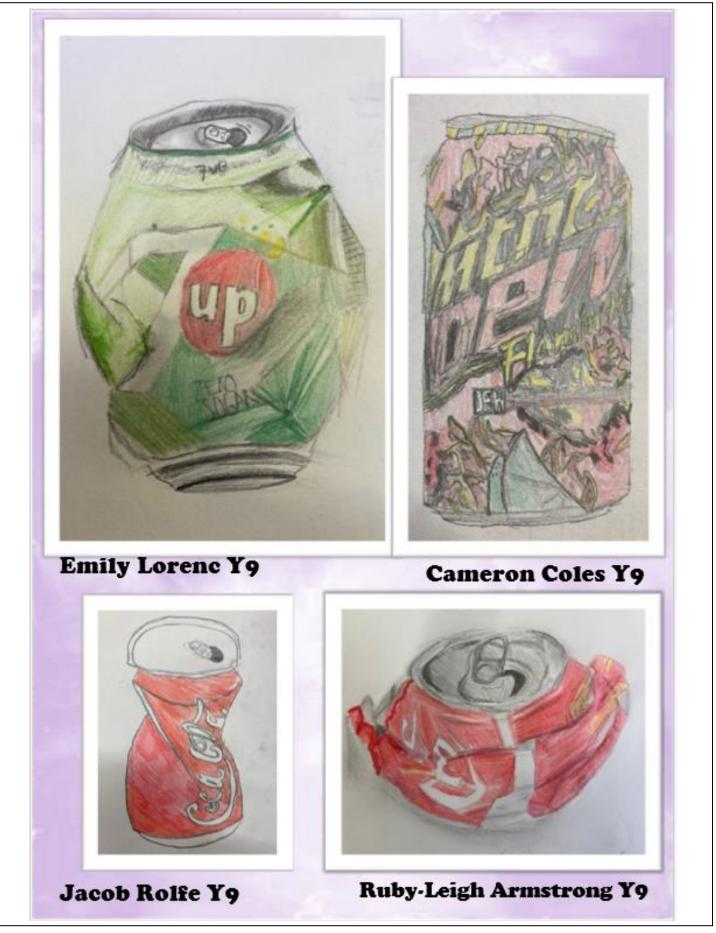


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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OPEN EVENT FOR PROSPECTIVE YEAR 7 STUDENTS THURSDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2023

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SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENT
THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2023

INSET DAY
(NO STUDENTS IN SCHOOL)
FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2023

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ALL SAINTS' HOLIDAY
YEAR 11 INTERVENTIONS
MONDAY 23RD OCTOBER –
FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER 2023

INSET DAY
(NO STUDENTS IN SCHOOL)
WEDNESDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2023

LAST DAY OF TERM

STUDENT HALF DAY

WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2023

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
THURSDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2023 –
TUESDAY 3RD JANUARY 2024

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INSET DAY
(NO STUDENTS IN SCHOOL)
THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY 2023

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