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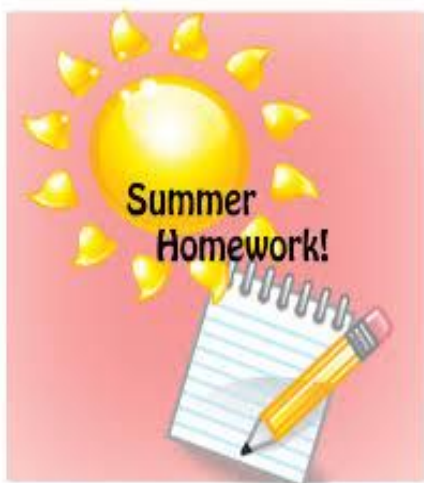
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The Summer Stretch: Why Holiday Homework Matters



The sun has certainly been shining this week, and thoughts inevitably are beginning to turn to the summer holidays, which are not too far away. Students have worked incredibly hard this year and deserve a well-earned

summer break. But while rest and recreation are important, so too is keeping brilliant young minds active. That's where summer homework comes in!

Why We Set Summer Homework

Summer homework isn't about spoiling the fun of the holidays—it's about setting students up for success. A few well-placed activities can help avoid the "summer slide," where valuable skills and knowledge can fade over the break. A gentle, thoughtful workload encourages students to review what they've learned, practise key skills, and get a head start on next term's curriculum.

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The Benefits Are Bright:

Confidence Boosting: Students return to school sharper and more prepared, reducing the stress of jumping back into lessons cold.

Independent Learning: Tackling tasks over the summer fosters a sense of responsibility and organisation.

Creativity & Curiosity: Many assignments are designed to be open-ended, fun, and exploratory—perfect for discovering new interests! This is particularly true of 'The Headmaster's Challenge' which is set for Year 7 and Year 8.

Curriculum Connection: Some tasks, particularly for Years 9&10, directly relate to topics they'll meet next year, helping them to hit the ground running.

You will be receiving a letter soon, giving details of the homework we are setting for each year group. This will give you time to plan when the homework can be completed to fit in with your summer plans.

We encourage families to help students strike the right balance—plenty of time for relaxation and adventures, alongside steady bursts of learning that keep the brain buzzing.

Wishing all our students and families a wonderful break ahead!



Minibus Appeal

Remember that we are currently fundraising to purchase a second minibus for the school. Thank you to all those who have already donated. We are currently 13% towards our goal.

 Donate via [Just Giving](#)

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 **ParentPay**

Do you work for a company that offers matched funding? If so, your employer could double the value of your donation or fundraising efforts. We have several upcoming events that are perfect for this:

- PE Fun Run/Walk – *Wednesday 2nd July, 3:45pm*
- PE Sports Marathon – *Wednesday 9th July, 7:00am–5:00pm*
- Charity Lunchtime Events – *Week commencing 30th June*

Whether you can help time a race, hand out water, or simply cheer on our students, your involvement makes a difference. And if your employer matches your support, it makes an even bigger one - hopefully up to £1000!

-  Sign Up for your child to [Participate](#)
-  Matched Funding [Survey](#)

Mandarin Department



MEP Tourism Project Year 10 University Visit Day Trip

On Thursday 19th June 2025, our Year 10 Mandarin Excellence Programme (MEP) students took part in an inspiring university visit hosted by Queen Mary University of London. This visit was part of the national **MEP Tourism Project**, a programme that begins with a two-day intensive course where students develop their Mandarin language skills alongside media and tourism-related competencies.

Following this in-school study, students worked in groups to create a campaign video promoting a UK city—entirely in Mandarin. Both the spoken content and subtitles are required to be in Mandarin, which strongly encouraged students to apply their language skills in a real-life context; boosting both confidence and fluency.

On the day of the university visit, a campaign showcase was held among the eight participating

schools, including ours, Beths Grammar, Dartford Grammar, Wapping High School and others. We are incredibly proud to share that one of our groups won the **"Most Creative Video"** award — a remarkable achievement considering the video was selected from over twenty shortlisted entries across all schools.

The judges were highly impressed by the originality, presentation, and cultural awareness shown in the winning video. It was a moment of real pride for our school and a testament to the creativity, hard work, and collaboration of our Year 10 MEP students.

Congratulations to all the students involved for representing our school with such talent and enthusiasm!

If you'd like to view the shortlisted and winning video, please follow these links:

<https://youtu.be/wgLe8gKjYPo>

https://youtube.com/shorts/hYCYzc_krkU?feature=share



A Message from the Admin Team

Remember that all correspondence to the school must come through the school office email: office@becketkeys.org

Your message will be forwarded to the member of staff concerned.

You can also now reply directly to any message you receive from the school via Bromcom, just hit the reply button and it will go to the office.

Students can contact their teachers via Satchel One if they have any queries regarding their lessons.

Please do not email staff directly as any message received in this way will not receive a response.

Many thanks for your understanding.

Student Achievement – Thomas Baker



Thomas Baker is a Year 9 student at Becket Keys, and he takes the number 81 bus home each day as he lives close to Shenfield station.

Thomas, over the last year or so, has been very disappointed in the bus service that is offered and provided. He's been determined to get things improved and has taken it upon himself to write to the MP (twice), Brentwood council, Essex council, Brentwood bus and rail users association, the Prime Minister and the Department for Transport!

Thomas was able to provide supporting evidence that he had collected over a period of time. His concerns included the fact that the bus on this route was often overcrowded, mainly due to the fact that only a single decker bus was on the route and that it was often late due to the traffic generated by the local school at the time it was due to leave.

Alex Burghart MP contacted the bus company and Mr Scott-Evans and asked a meeting to take place at school. His assistant attended along with the commercial director and operations director of NIBS bus company.

In the meeting Thomas presented some slides outlining the issues he has experienced and his ideas on how the bus company could improve things. The representatives from the bus company were very open to this and grateful to Thomas for raising these points and giving valuable feedback.

Hopefully all students using the bus to get to and from school will see an improvement in the near future!

Well done Thomas!

Courageous Advocacy

Share with us what your child does!

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:40

What is a courageous advocate?

Someone who bravely supports, champions and speaks out for something that is important to them. Examples: volunteering at a food bank, working as a Guide/Brownie/Scout leader, setting up a group/club in the community.

Courageous advocates need to be identified throughout Becket Keys, however, our students are not very good at coming forward and telling us about the good they do outside the school gates. WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Please email:

courageousadvocacy@becketkeys.org and tell us all the good things your child is doing in their free time. We want to know and celebrate their courageous advocacy.

Known for her competitive edge

Student Achievement – Erin Delea

Saracens Women are delighted to confirm that Erin Delea is one of three ladies who will join the senior squad for the 2025/26 season after progressing through the club's renowned player pathway.



Erin has developed through the Saracens Academy system, having represented Oaklands College, and now take her next step in her journey as a full-time member of the senior environment, showcasing the strength and continued success of the club's pathway programme.

Erin Delea — Back Row, Oaklands College

Erin is a dynamic and versatile forward, equally adept at second row or number eight. She joined Oaklands after coming through the Hertfordshire PDG and representing her local club Welwyn RFC. Her development within the pathway has been impressive, becoming a dual threat in attack and defence, and refining her lineout skills to challenge even the most experienced throwers.



and relentless work ethic, Erin consistently gives everything on the pitch.

Niamh McHugh, Rugby Pathway Lead at Saracens Women, said:

"Erin has made huge strides in her development with us at the academy and is now ready for the next step in her career. As a DiSE student, she has made the most of every opportunity and resource available to her. Her consistency and dedication week in, week out have paid off—I'm incredibly excited to see how she progresses in the senior set-up."



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LOST PROPERTY

Please make sure that **EVERY** item of uniform, PE Kit and equipment is named. There are over a thousand students at the school all wearing the same uniform.

There are many items that we are unable to return as we do not know to whom they belong.

Lost Property can be collected from Reception.



Volunteers for Year 10 Mock Interviews 10th July 2025

As part of our 10th July Enrichment Day, we are excited to be running a Mock Interview Day for our Year 10 students. We would be incredibly grateful for your support as a volunteer interviewer.

The day is designed to give students a real taste of what to expect in a professional interview setting. Each student will arrive with a CV and a generalised job application, which you will have the opportunity to discuss with them. You will also be provided with feedback forms and guidance materials in advance to support your conversations with the students.

There will be three sessions throughout the day:

- Session 1: 8:45am – 10:25am
- Session 2: 10:50am – 12:30pm
- Session 3: 1:30pm – 3:10pm

In each session, you will meet two students, spending approximately 20 minutes with each.

We would be delighted if you are able to join us for the full day – lunch and refreshments will be provided – but even if you can attend just one session, your support will be greatly appreciated.

This is a fantastic opportunity to help prepare our students for life beyond the classroom, and your time and expertise can have a real impact on their confidence and future success.

If you are available to help or have any questions, please e-mail careers@becketkeys.org. Thank you so much for considering supporting our students as part of this important day.

Ms North
Head of Careers



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Late Gate

*Early is on time
On time is late
And late is unacceptable!*

Remember that the school gate closes at **8.25am**. This allows students enough time to get to their first lesson on time. Period 1 begins at 8.30am.

Brentwood can be tough to manoeuvre during rush hour, especially with the planned road and engineering works so please make sure that you are leaving enough time to get to school.

Parents can call the main school line 01277 286600 or use the "Studybugs" app to report genuine lateness. We thank you for your support.



Mr Scott-Evans' Stick or Twist Penalty Kick Challenge!

Can you get the highest score?

3rd July. Lunchtime.

Help us raise money for our new school minibus!

How it works:

- Pay £1 to have a go.
- Take a penalty kick against Mr Scott-Evans.
- If you score, you can:
 - **Stick** – keep your score and take a sweet 🍬
 - **Twist** – take another shot to increase your score... but if you miss or it gets saved, you lose everything!

Highest scorers at the end of lunch win a certificate and bragging rights!

Separate competitions for:

- Boys & Girls
- Each Year Group

When: Thursday 3rd July - First and Second Lunchtimes

Where: Far End of the Astro Turf

You can have as many goes as you like, but each new go costs £1.

BRENTWOOD FOODBANK HELPING LOCAL PEOPLE IN CRISIS

The Brentwood foodbank is part of [The Trussell Trust](#)'s network of 428 foodbanks, working to tackle food poverty and hunger in the local community, as well as across the UK.

The Foodbank Network was founded in 2004 in Salisbury, since then [The Trussell Trust](#) has helped communities work together to launch foodbanks nationwide in a wide range of towns and cities.

In 2023/24, food banks in the Trussell Trust's network provided 3,121,404 three-day emergency food supplies and support to UK people in crisis. Of these, 1,144,096 were distributed for children.

You can make a donation at Sainsburys, Tesco Express in Brentwood High Street, St Thomas of Canterbury Church or St Stephen's Church.

June Items Required

Tinned Potatoes
Tinned Chilli Con Carne
Tinned Ravioli
Tinned Chicken in Sauce
Bags of Rice
Laundry Gel
Shampoo

SOUP CLUB...YEAR 8

Lunchtime Soup Club is back!

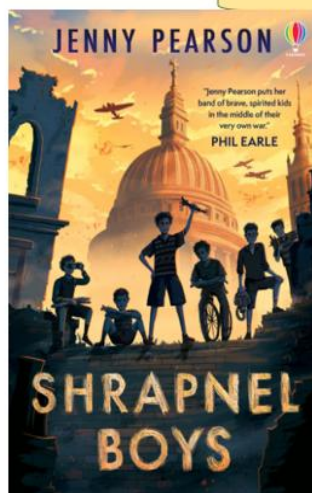
Where: W31

When: Mondays at 11:50 to 12:10

Run by: Mrs Stevenson



Book of the Month - June



There's a war going on out there, and I'm missing it.

When war comes to London in 1939, Ronnie Smith is scared and excited: scared of the bombs that fall at night, but excited to race his friends to collect the best bits of shrapnel every morning.

But for Ronnie, the battles aren't just in the sky and on the streets. They're at school and at home too. His little brother is up to no good with a secret job and dangerous new friends, and Ronnie's worried he's getting himself into big trouble.

Ronnie's desperate to help his little brother. But he isn't expecting to uncover secrets that could change the fate of the whole war...

Performing Arts Department



Upcoming Concerts Dates for your Diary

Date	Concert	Groups
TBC	Orchestra at St Helen's Infant School	Orchestra
24th June St Peter's Church South Weald 7pm start	Patronal Festival with St Peter's School	Stage Band Bugsy Cast Soloists Year 12 Jazz Band Orchestra
26th June Main Hall 7pm start	Governors' Speech and Awards Evening	Stage Band Bugsy Cast Soloist
2nd July 1pm onwards Brentwood Centre	Brentwood Vocal Festival	House Band (students from Stage Band will form this group)

Production Dates:

Monday 14th July
Tuesday 15th July
Wednesday 16th July

The school production tickets are now available to purchase via ParentPay.

Tickets cost £12.50 each.

Stay Hydrated Bring a Bottle!

As the weather warms up, it's important that all students stay hydrated throughout the day. Students should remember to bring a reusable water bottle to school each day. Students can refill bottles at the filtered water machines around school or use the fresh water fountains located outside the Justin Welby Building and the Carey Building if they just want to drink from a spout.



If anyone forgets a bottle or doesn't have one, they can request a second-hand bottle from Main Reception. These bottles have been in lost property for over six weeks and are being recycled for student use. They have been thoroughly cleaned, sterilised and can be used safely. Let's reduce waste and stay refreshed!

Please note: Students are not permitted to leave lessons to fill up water bottles. Refills should be done during break or lunch times only.

Thank you for helping us keep Becket Keys a healthy and respectful learning environment!

South Weald Patronal Festival 2025

Tuesday 24^h - Sunday 29th June 2025

The Festival originated from the South Weald Church Flower Festival which had been going for several years as had the School Fete.

In 1964 the then Vicar, John Swallow, had the idea of combining the two Events on one weekend. That weekend was to be that closest to the church's Patron St Peter's Day, June 29th. It has since evolved each year to become the South Weald Patronal Festival which was a week-long event for the first time in 2014.

The festival starts with a Joint Music Concert between St Peter's and Becket Keys on Tuesday 24th June, this leads into the main events taking place across 3 days during the last weekend of June, including a Teddy Bears' Picnic, the South Weald Golf Day, School Fayre, Colour Run, Festival BBQ & Patronal Church Festival. For full details of all the events planned you can visit the festival website: [South Weald Patronal Festival \(southwealdfestival.co.uk\)](https://southwealdfestival.co.uk)

BECKET KEYS & ST PETER'S SCHOOL CONCERT

St Peter's Church, 7.00pm

Entry £5 (concessions £3)

Tickets can be purchased from both schools.

Contact reception for tickets or buy on the door.





The School Community Prayer Group hosted by our Headteacher Mr Scott-Evans is every Wednesday 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



Members of the school community are also welcome to join the Eucharist which is held every Friday at 1.00pm in the John Wraw chapel.

Sign in at reception and someone will guide you to the chapel.

Apprenticeship Open Day

Thursday 24th July 10am - 1pm

Thinking about an apprenticeship?
Come and explore what a career in print could look like

- Meet current apprentices and hear their stories
- Learn about our available roles
- Tour our facilities
- Get tips on interview process and applying for roles
- Q&A with our recruitment and training team

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Our School Library (Lib A)

- Your school library is open on the following lunch times:
 - Monday (4.2) 12.50-1.20
 - Tuesday (4.2) 12.50-1.20
 - Wednesday (4.1) 12-12.30
 - Thursday (4.1) 12-12.30.
- If Miss White is in the library after school, you can come and use it then as well.
- 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.



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**FINAL PLACES
REMAINING
FOR 2025**

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Find Your Healthcare CAREER PATH >>>

Thinking about your next steps after college and interested in exploring opportunities in the NHS or Social Care?

Join us at our Mid and South Essex Health & Care Academy Recruitment Event!

WHAT TO EXPECT

- ✓ Meet recruitment teams from the NHS and Social Care.
- ✓ Learn about diverse roles and career pathways.
- ✓ Interview on the day for available roles.
- ✓ Explore apprenticeship opportunities.

Register to attend using the QR Codes Below

25 JUN 2025 **10AM 4PM**

Brentwood Community Hospital
CM15 8DR

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YEAR 12 - SUPERLAB EXPERIENCE

Date: 2nd July 2025
Time: 9:45am to 2:45pm
Venue: ARU Chelmsford Campus

Discover the exciting world of Medical and Pharmaceutical Science in our dynamic insight taster session, designed for curious minds eager to explore impactful careers at the forefront of healthcare innovation.

In addition to this insight, during the session, you will spend time in the Superlab, a certified Level 2 laboratory. This classification means it is equipped to handle pathogenic and infectious organisms associated with human disease.

Whether you're considering a future in medical research, pharmacology or clinical practice, this is your chance to ask questions, explore career pathways and get inspired!

What to expect?

- Interactive activities
- Course overview
- An insight into student life
- Useful tips on applying and interview guidance
- Explore the Health and Care Careers exhibition
- Lots of opportunities to ask questions

BOOK HERE!!!

Health and Care Careers Expo 2025

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Filmmaking Summer Camps
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Movie Making this Summer

Sparks film and media are offering schools in the South Essex area an offer of a free place on the upcoming summer holiday camp(value of £349) on July 21st-25th @ Brentwood County High School. There are 2 available places that have been paid by a local sponsor and the winners will be selected by random .

Spaces are available on a first come basis so if you would like to take advantage of this offer simply email Sparks at Brentwood@Sparkarts.co.uk mentioning Becket Keys and Mr Scott-Evans, the head teacher to claim your spot.

[Sparks Film School Brentwood](#) | [Sparks Film School](#) | [Film Courses for 5-18](#)

If you would like more details please call Jac on 07872177193



SPORTS MARATHON 2025

 **BECKET KEYS SCHOOL**

 **WEDNESDAY 9TH
JULY**

 **7:00 AM TO
5:00 PM**

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PE Extra Curricular - Term 5

Day	Lunchtime	After-School (3:20-4:20)
Monday	Sports Hall Out due to Exams	Year 7&8 Boys' Cricket
Tuesday	Sports Hall Out due to Exams	All Years Girls' Cricket Year 9&10 Boys' Cricket
Wednesday	Sports Hall Out due to Exams	All Years Athletics
Thursday	Sports Hall Out due to Exams	Year 7,8&9 Rounders
Friday	Sports Hall Out due to Exams	



Keys:

- Astro
- Sports hall
- Main Hall
- Field
- Playground

WEDNESDAY 2ND JULY

BKS FUN RUN/WALK FUNDRAISING!

STAFF & STUDENTS

COLLECT FUNDRAISING FORM

TALK TO PE FOR MORE INFO

FANCY DRESS WELCOME!
PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO CHEER ON STAFF
AND STUDENTS AS THEY COMPLETE THIS 5K!
The event will be held afterschool on the field.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SIXTH FORM BRIDGING EVENT

MONDAY 23RD JUNE 2025

TUESDAY 24TH JUNE 2025

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CHINA TRIP PARENT MEETING

4.30PM MONDAY 23RD JUNE 2025

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SOUTH WEALD FESTIVAL CONCERT

ST PETER'S CHURCH

TUESDAY 24TH JUNE 2025

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GOVERNORS' SPEECH & AWARDS EVENING

6.30PM THURSDAY 26TH JUNE 2025

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YEAR 6 INDUCTION DAY

FRIDAY 27TH JUNE 2025

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YEAR 7 RESIDENTIAL

MANOR ADVENTURE – NORFOLK

FRIDAY 4TH – SUNDAY 6TH JULY 2025

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PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SALE

4.00PM THURSDAY 10TH JULY 2025

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SCHOOL PRODUCTION

BUGSY MALONE

MONDAY 14TH JULY 2025

TUESDAY 15TH JULY 2025

WEDNESDAY 16TH JULY 2025

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