

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have helped your children with recording their Lateral Flow Test results on a twice-weekly basis. I am keen to try and keep completion rates high as this has proved to be a useful tool in terms of keeping the Beaumont community safe. We await further guidelines for plans for the next academic year's re-start but I suspect mass testing in some format will be part of this.

A new group of Key Stage 3 Beaumont Leaders have been appointed from Year 8 and their first project is to raise at least £2,000 to fund a second defibrillator for the school. The Beaumont Heartbeat Challenge will see families or groups of friends working together to complete a physical challenge or supporting those at home by completing 'chores'. Students have produced an assembly, organised information letters home and helped some staff to understand how Strava works! We hope many of you will get involved and donate to this worthwhile cause via our fundraising page <u>https://www.totalgiving.co.uk/appeal/BeaumontHeartbeatChallenge</u>

There is no doubt that we all feel so grateful to the NHS for its commitment, passion and drive throughout the pandemic and lockdowns. In recognition of this, we are delighted to be supporting/have supported the NHS Big Tea. Our Year 8 Beaumont Leaders and Year 7 students are delivering/have delivered cups of tea and biscuits to our staff in their lessons in exchange for donations to NHS Charities.

#### **Martin Atkinson**

Date	Time	Location	Event – <u>all may be subject to change due to Covid</u> (correct at time of printing, please check website for updates)
		J	July
Thursday 1 July			Year 10 study leave for exams Year 10 exams
	8.00am	Boscombe	Year 12 Geography field trip
	8.15am	Thorpe Park	Year 11 End of Year celebration
	8.30am		Year 12 Beyond Beaumont Week
Friday 2 July			Year 10 study leave for exams (last day)
			Year 10 exams
	8.30am		Year 12 Beyond Beaumont Week
Saturday 3 July	8.00pm		BSA Lottery draw
Monday 5 July	8.45am	Hall	Sixth Form Induction
<b>-</b>	6.30pm	Virtual event	BSA AGM
Tuesday 6 July	8.45am 8.25am	Hall Hall	Sixth Form Induction
Wednesday 7 July Saturday 10 July	8.00pm		Year 9 Performance of AlterEgo's ' <i>Chelsea's Story'</i> BSA Lottery draw
Tuesday 13 July	5.00pm	Hall/C1/Amphitheatre	Years 7-9 Drama Club Performance Pieces
Wednesday 14 July	1.45pm	Hall	Year 9 SRE ' <i>Tip of the Iceberg Performance</i> '
Thursday 15 July	9.00am		Year 12 Assessment Grades issued
Saturday 17 July	8.00pm		BSA Lottery draw
Monday 19 July	5.00pm	Hall/C1	Year 12 Devising Drama Performance
Tuesday 20 July	12.00pm		Year 7 full reports issued
	12.00pm		Year 8 full reports issued
	12.00pm		Year 10 full reports issued
Wednesday 21 July	12.30pm		Students dismissed early for summer (return 02/09/2021)
August			
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Tuesday 10 August	TBC	TBC	A Level Results Day
Thursday 12 August	TBC	TBC	GCSE Results Day

"It was amazing that we were finally able to go on our first

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trip and I can't wait to go on more i<u>n the</u>

future! " Neyla, 7B

### Cuffley Camp 2021

On Tuesday 18 May, Year 7 visited Cuffley Camp for a day of team building and outdoor activities. This was a re-arranged trip, originally scheduled for September, and I am so pleased that the year group were able to benefit from this experience. Students completed a series of different activities, including wall climbing, and luckily for us the weather remained sunny and dry until the last 15 minutes of the day!

Here are some quotes from Year 7.

Mr Gray

"After all the stresses of lockdown, Cuffley Camp truly was a lovely experience. It was so nice to just have time with my friends and appreciate nature, I'm so glad that we went on this trip, I had a great time. " Millie, 7S

"The best thing was it brought everyone together more. I saw a different aspect of people, their fun side. I talked to people I had never spoken with before. I loved going up the climbing wall with some friends cheering me on." James, 7N

"Adventurous, Educational and Enjoyable are things I felt during the Cuffley trip we did loads of fun activities and also learned a lot about the world we live in." Harry, 7E



# **County Athletics Championships**

Well done to everyone who competed on Saturday 12 June at the County Athletics Championships at Jarman Park, Hemel Hempstead. We had 12 athletes compete, every track athlete made their finals and we had some outstanding results in both track and field. We had seven athletes finish in the top three, our highest number for several years.

Congratulations to the five athletes named below, and particularly Niamh Gallagher who in her final competitive race for school not only won her event but broke the school record by 11 seconds.

1st Place: Niamh Gallagher senior girls 1500m, 4m47s \*\*\* 1st Place: Sarah McGrath Under 17 girls 1500m 4m53s 2nd Place: Tijan Gerber Under 15 boys 100m 2nd Place: Serena Thomas senior girls 200m 2nd Place: Izzy Holsborough senior girls 100m 3rd Place: Izzy Holsborough senior girls 200m 3rd Place: Tijan Gerber Under 15 boys Long Jump 5m11cm

# \*\*\* NEW SCHOOL RECORD

#### Mr Stewart

#### **Rewilding Beaumont**



As part of the Sustainable St Albans Festival, a group of Sixth Form students have been helping the younger year groups to learn about our environment and what we can do to protect it.

With their help, Year 7 will be taking part in a rewilding project at Beaumont, aiming to ensure that some of our outdoor space is protected to preserve and increase its biodiversity.

We were delighted to receive the support of Increal Heidi Carruthers from Herts & Middlesex Wildlife Trust. The ne As well as advising the students on the plan for their project, she helped us to identify a beautiful bee orchid in our new rewilding site. **Beaumont Rewilding Group** these.

#### Athletics at Westminster Lodge

Well done to all of the Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 athletes who competed last week at Westminster Lodge.

These were our first competitions of the season and the fact that so many athletes have trained so consistently since Easter really showed in the excellent performances across all age groups. I have listed those athletes that won their events, but there were many more that finished with excellent performances and personal bests. We are really looking forward to the rest of the season, well done again to all of you:



Imogen Rennie (hurdles), Emily Gray (200m and Shot), Girls' relay team, Yann Merrick (200m), David Spears (Discus), Thomas Banks (Javelin)

Evie Warwick (200m and Discus), Sophie Treloar (800m), Olive Jones (Javelin), Michelle Lam (Long Jump), Girls' relay team, Griffyn Archer Jones (100m and Discus), Aiden Keigher (Long Jump)



Meg Knibbs (100m), Girls' relay team, Tijan Gerber (100m and Long Jump), Ben Soll (200m), George Smith (1500m), Ben McClements (Triple Jump), Boys' relay team



Sai Fisher (Javelin), Meeka Nightingale (Long Jump), Thomas Chisholm (200m), Lenny Brandon (Triple Jump) Mr Stewart

## Year 7 hit the right stumps!

Beaumont Year 7 cricket team had their first win of the season by beating Sandringham by 40 runs in the first round of the County Plate.



Kara Vijender starred with the ball as she took three wickets and Jude Berry starred with the bat as he scored 53 runs to contribute to the teams total of 121 in 20 Overs. A brilliant effort by all involved, the team go on to play Ashlyns in the Quarter Final at the end of June.

#### From the Board of Trustees

The most recent meeting of the Board of Trustees Community, Teaching and Learning (CTL) Committee was held online last week. We reflected on the school's Plan for School Improvement (PSI) for the current academic year, before looking at the PSI for the 2021-22 academic year.

As has been the case throughout this academic year, we learned of the measures and adjustments put in place to help us to navigate around the possible effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The learning environment looks a little more 'normal,' with students now back to attending lessons in designated rooms.

It really is a testament to the commitment of staff in delivering an outstanding learning environment for students throughout this academic year. We are incredibly grateful to all staff for their efforts.

The next few weeks will see Year 12 students taking their Threshold Exams, followed by Year 10 students taking their exams. We wish our students well with these. **Peter Mayne Chair, CTL Committee** 

#### Reading to raise money for Readathon



#### The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go. - Dr. Seuss

Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 read for pleasure - and to raise money for a charitable cause - in their English lessons in the first week back after half term. I hope this was a relaxing but rewarding experience.

At the point of writing, over £2,345 had already been raised!

This money will help to provide a regular supply of brand new books and a resident storyteller to every major children's hospital in the UK. What's more, according to the OECD, it's been proven that young people who read for pleasure are more likely to be successful and happy throughout their lives.

I would therefore like to thank every student who participated and raised money, and parents and guardians for encouraging them to read for pleasure and, I suspect, contributing greatly to the money raised!

I hope our students continue to read regularly and widely - for relaxation, for escapism, for research and to become better writers themselves.

Our library is up and running so do prompt your child to return books, renew books and take out new books! For more information about the charity visit <u>www.readforgood.org</u>. Mr Tatham

#### Library re-opens its doors

After the long months in which school isolation bubbles resulted in the Library having to close its doors, it's been wonderful to welcome back students this half term. In anticipation, the Beaumont librarians had eagerly dusted, tidied and restocked the shelves, spruced up the display boards and, quite literally, hung out the bunting. Since re-opening, the Library has once again come alive with AR classes, Readathon browsing, Carnegie Medal shadowing, book club meetings, and students popping in during break and lunch times.



Enlivened and revitalized by the much-missed buzz of students in the Library, we're already making plans for future activities and events, including an uber-exciting author visit pencilled in for October. More details will be revealed closer to the date! In the meantime, here are just a few of the things that have been happening in the Library over the past few weeks.

Ms Shepard





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