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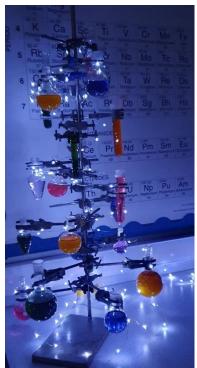
It has been an incredible and successful term at Beaumont, I am enormously proud of our whole school community – our staff and our students. You have all worked tirelessly over a long, fruitful Autumn Term. I'd like to mention our Sports teams who have achieved the following:

- U14 Boys Basketball last 16 of National Cup
- Football- U13 Girls, U16 Boys and U13 Boys Last 32 National Cup
- Football U16 Girls Last 16 National Cup
- Cross Country teams all finished in the top 3 of the District Leagues in all age categories

As we head into slightly uncertain times with the recent increase of Covid, I wish you all the very best for a peaceful and restful Christmas spent with family and friends. Please stay safe, keep regularly testing and I look forward to a prosperous 2022. Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas.

Martin Atkinson

| January 2022 | Time | Location | Event – all may be subject to change (correct at time of printing, please check website for updates) |
|---|------------------|---|--|
| Saturday 1 January Wednesday 5 January | 8.00pm | | BSA school lottery draw INSET Day (no students in school) |
| Thursday 6 January | 8.20am | LEA arrive Austen Way, RNS arrive Oakwood Drive | Year 11 staggered start & whole school mass testing |
| | 8.50am | BLEA arrive Austen Way, RNS arrive Oakwood Drive | Year 10 staggered start & whole school mass testing |
| | 9.20am | BLEA arrive Austen Way, RNS arrive Oakwood Drive | Year 9 staggered start & whole school mass testing |
| | 9.50am | BLEA arrive Austen Way, RNS arrive Oakwood Drive | Year 8 staggered start & whole school mass testing |
| | 10.20am | 1-5 arrive Austen Way, 6-9 arrive Oakwood Drive | Year 12 staggered start & whole school mass testing |
| | 10.50am | 1-5 arrive Austen Way, 6-9 arrive Oakwood Drive | Year 13 staggered start & whole school mass testing |
| | 11.20am | BLEA arrive Austen Way, RNS arrive Oakwood Drive | Year 7 staggered start & whole school mass testing |
| Saturday 8 January | 8.00pm | | BSA school lottery draw |
| Monday 10 January | 8.25am | | Year 13 mock exam week (exams end 19/12/22) |
| | | | Year 9 SLT interviews (interviews end 17/12/22) |
| | 8.45am | A07 | Year 13 CTEC IT exam resit |
| | 1.30pm | A07 | Year 11 CNAT Creative iMedia exam resit |
| Tuesday 11 January | 8.45am | A07/D22 | Year 12 CTEC Sport examination |
| | 6.30pm | Sandringham School | Into the Sixth Form Open Evening (Sandringham) |
| Wednesday 12 January | 8.45am | A06/D04 | Year 11 CNAT Enterprise & Marketing exam |
| | 8.45am | A06/E01 | Year 13 CTEC Business exam |
| | 2.00pm | D04 | Year 12/13 LIBF Certificate in Financial Studies exam |
| Thursday 13 January | 5.00pm | Virtual event G15 | Year 11 Parent Consultation Evening |
| mursuay 13 January | 1.30pm 7.00pm | Verulam School | Year 13 CTEC Sport exam Into the Sixth Form Open Evening (Verulam) |
| | 7.00pm | Conference Room TBC | BSA Committee meeting |
| Saturday 15 January | 8.00pm | Conference Room TBC | BSA school lottery draw |
| Monday 17 January | 9.00am | D19 | Year 12/13 LIBF Certificate in Financial Studies exam |
| Tuesday 18 January | 6.00pm | B13 | Into the Sixth Form Open Evening |
| Wednesday 19 January | 1.30pm | Verulam School | Year 12 BTEC Creative Digital Media Production |
| rrealizeday re callually | 6.30pm | Conference Room TBC | Board of Trustees meeting |
| Friday 21 January | 8.45am | D03/D04 | Year 13 BTEC Creative Digital Media Production exam |
| , | 7.30pm | Hall TBC | BSA Quiz Night |
| Saturday 22 January | 8.00pm | | BSA school lottery draw |
| Monday 24 January | 5.00pm | Hall/C1 | Year 13 Drama performance exam |
| Tuesday 25 January | 8.30am | D04/D24 | Year 11 BTEC Sport exam |
| | 9.30am | Conference Room | Open morning tours for external students (by appointment) |
| Wednesday 26 January | 9.30am | Conference Room | Open morning tours for external students (by appointment) |
| | 2.00pm | D04/D24 | Year 10 BTEC Sport exam |
| | 6.30pm | Conference Room TBC | Resources Committee meeting |
| Thursday 27 January | 6.00pm | Hall TBC | Year 9 Options Parent Information Evening |
| Friday 28 January | 8.40am | D01 | Year 11 Food & Nutrition Non Exam Assessment |
| Saturday 29 January | 8.00pm | D05/D09 | BSA school lottery draw |
| Monday 31 January | 8.00am | D05/D08 | Year 13 A Level Art mock exam |



Year 12/13 Art Trip Deep in the beautiful Cambridgeshire countryside, a group of Year 12 and 13 Art students spent the day at the Curwen Print Studios, at Chilford Hall.

Students worked hard, doing a combination of dry point etching and lino printing and their outcomes were amazing. Throughout the day, they were able to use the original hand-driven printing presses, some dating back to the beginning of the last century.

Science Club

Science club has been in full swing this month.

Year 7s and 8s have been testing acids and alkalis with various indicators and then using these coloured solutions to create the now annual Christmas 'Chemistree'!

Also students have been designing and making 'Mars Rover Landers'. The challenge was to make the rover move as far as possible under its own energy (powered only by elastic energy)! Well done to Year 8 winners Imogen Rennie and Neyla Adali and Year 7 winner Tilly Burridge.

Mr Parmar





The Remarkable World of Trees Competition 14+ Category Winner
Many congratulations to Year 12 student Beatrice Wagstaff who recently won
the 14+ Category in the competition run by the Remarkable World of Trees.
Beatrice explains "This photo was taken in Highfield Park in St Albans. During
a lockdown period earlier this year it snowed and, as snow is a rare occurrence
in England, I decided to grab the opportunity to photograph some of the
beautiful snowy scenes.

After exploring for a while, I found this tree that had been covered and surrounded by undisturbed snow and thought that the scene would make a stunning photo. I crouched down low to take it, not only to capture as much of the tree as possible, but also to add interest and give the scene a different perspective.

The soft look, calm atmosphere and beauty of the natural symmetry are some of the reasons why I love this picture so much. I am very proud of my photo and what I have achieved with it."

Miss Findlay, Beatrice Wagstaff





Students will now use this fantastic work as part of their portfolios and A Level coursework.



Miss Findlay

Royal Academy Life Drawing

On Thursday 9 December, we were lucky to be joined by Janette Barnes, formerly from the Royal Academy, and her life model Carol, who took part in a full day's life drawing. Students worked hard all day, completing a wide range of studies, and produced a broad range of work for their portfolios and coursework folders. Well done to all the students who took part.

Miss Findlay

12 Musical Days of Christmas

Well done to everyone involved in rehearsing and recording for the '12 Musical Days of Christmas'. Recordings of all extra-curricular music ensembles were posted online during the last 12 school days of term, attracting a great deal of attention on social media and totalling over 2000 views on YouTube! There were some stunning performances and the recordings will remain on the 'Beaumont Music' YouTube channel to share with friends and family. We have received many appreciative comments.

On Saturday 11 December Beaumont singers and instrumentalists entertained shoppers with Christmas carols to raise money for charity. Students braved the cold to provide an hour-long, festive performance in Christopher Place, raising a fantastic £131 for Crisis.



The Sixth Form musicians have also been busy: Sadie Keaveny and Matilda Green gave wonderful performances in the Bayswater Suzuki Group Annual Concert whilst Stella Lonie-Lewis ran a half-marathon with friends, raising over £800 for the Music Therapy Charity, Nordoff Robbins. Congratulations on such brilliant achievements!





Year 8 Football

The Year 8 boys' football team have made it through to the last 64 of the National Cup after beating John Hampden Grammar School (High Wycombe) 1-0.

In a tense match between two good teams. Harry Watts scored the winning goal with 15 minutes to go. All team members played their part in this great result but special mention should go to Thomas Archer, who was Man of the Match for his brilliant defensive display.

After a Harry Watts hat-trick, the team went on to beat Hinchingbrooke School 3-2 at home, and are now through the last 32 in the National Cup. **Mr Wynne**





Beyond Beaumont

Well done to James Wilkinson (Beaumont class of 2018), who has been studying for a degree in Economics on a tennis scholarship at the University of Delaware, USA. James has recently graduated from a four-year course after just three and a half years! James will stay at the University of Delaware and will start an MBA in January 2022 on a Tennis and Deans Leadership Scholarship.



Nappy Update!

As well as the physical donations of nappies mentioned in the last edition of Beaumont Life, the appeal raised £650 in funds. 6,000 nappies have been purchased in Greece (2,000 in each of the most popular sizes and these will now be delivered to 'Love and Serve without Borders' (LSWB), who work on the ground in Greece supporting refugees.

Thank you to all those who donated money in the Beaumont School community. Herts for Refugees (and the wider Refugee Charity Network) are very grateful.

Chair of Trustees Herts for Refugees



THE BSA BIG QUIZ NIGHT 21st JANUARY 2022,

7.30pm, School Hall

Simply scan the QR code, £7.50 per ticket including corkage



Buy as many tickets as you like. Bring your own drinks & snacks. Great prizes for winning teams! Play in teams of 2-6,

Email BSA@beaumont.school who is on your team.

Get your thinking caps on with friends & family & put your knowledge to the test at the BIG PTA Quiz night - Enjoy!!!



For more info on BOPP visit https://bopp.io/personal







Our Year 7 Elves have been busy making amazing gluten and dairy free vanilla and cinnamon flavour Christmas cookies in the food room this week. We have been selling these at reception every day to

raise money for our school.

The delicious cookies were wrapped in sustainable and recyclable cellophane and included an ingredients list.

We hope everyone enjoyed eating them as much as we

enjoyed making them. Merry Christmas!

Ms Kadlott

Design Ventura

Year 9 design enthusiasts enjoyed a day in the Design Museum, London. They took part in a museum workshop that supports the annual Design Ventura competition, where students are challenged to design a new product for the Design Museum Shop. This offered our young people a chance to develop their design thinking, creative and business skills.

The group also enjoyed the Designer User Maker exhibition, finding out more about how today's gadgets and products have evolved and also having a good look around the museum shop.

Our students' thoughts:

- Oscar: I had a lot of fun and I have more ideas for other projects.
- Martino: I enjoyed my day and loved the Design Museum.
- Elliot: It was very inspiring.
- Zach: I learned a lot about design and it was a fun
- Archie: It was an interesting insight into the world of Product Design.
- Bertie: It was very inspiring and gave me good ideas.
- Ciara: It was fun and exciting.
- Maya: I enjoyed the exhibition and thought the workshop was quite inspiring.

Ms Kadlott





