



Welcome back to all the students, staff, new staff and the new Year 7 students.

It has been a tremendous start to the new academic year starting with an incredibly successful PGL trip for Year 7 to Shrewsbury and Alton Towers. It was a super way for all the new students to get to know each other and settle gently into life at Beaumont. It was also a pleasure to welcome the new Year 7 students and their families at the Year 7 BBQ back on Saturday 17 September.

The first PD day of the year was a real success for our other year groups as well with many varied and interesting activities. We hosted our Secondary Transfer Evening on Wednesday 28 September. It was fantastic to go back to providing the full experience for all prospective families and we were exceptionally busy. I was extremely proud of the amazing effort that both our staff and students put in on the evening to welcome our visitors with a great community feeling. We have already received many comments and emails on the excellent tours that our students provided, so well done to all those who helped.

Both our GCSE and A Level students did exceptionally well this summer and we have record numbers both staying on at school from Year 11 and going on to university from Year 13. 195 students have gone on to university and 82% of our Year 11 have continued into the Sixth Form.

It remains for me to wish all our students a happy and successful year ahead.

Martin Atkinson

Looking ahead

Date	Time	Location	Event (correct at time of publication, check website for updates)
Saturday 1 October	8.00pm		BSA school lottery draw
Monday 3 October	9.30am		Years 5 & 6 morning tours by appointment only
	11.30am		Years 5 & 6 morning tours by appointment only
	7.00pm	C01/C02	Year 10 & 11 Drama production Dennis Kelly's DNA
Tuesday 4 October	9.30am		Years 5 & 6 morning tours by appointment only
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	7.00pm	C01/C02	Year 10 & 11 Drama production Dennis Kelly's DNA
Wednesday 5 October	11.00am	Hall	Year 10 Drama frantic assembly workshops
Friday 7 October	9.00am	Alexandra Palace	Year 10 Textiles trip to Knitting & Stitching Show
Saturday 8 October	8.00pm		BSA school lottery draw
Monday 10 October	6.00pm	Hall	Year 9/10 German Exchange Information Evening
Tuesday 11 October	8.45am	Hall	Year 8 HPV1 immunisations
	5.20pm	Fortune Theatre	Year 10 Drama trip to Woman in Black
	7.00pm	Hall	Year 11 and Beyond Parent Information Evening
Wednesday 12 October	6.30pm	Conference Room	Board of Trustees meeting
Saturday 15 October	8.00pm		BSA school lottery draw
Monday 17 October	3.00pm		Year 7, 10 & 12 reports issued
	5.30pm	National Theatre	Year 12/13 Drama theatre trip to The Crucible, London
Tuesday 18 October	8.30am	TBC	University admissions testing
	12.10pm	Hall	Year 8 Author Visit Karl Nova
Wednesday 19 October	8.30am	TBC	University admissions testing
	1.00pm	St Peter's Church	Lunchtime recital
	6.30pm	Conference Room	Anxiety workshop for parents
Thursday 20 October	8.30am		Cybercrime Awareness & Prevention day (all years)
	9.30am	D08	Year 11 Graphics Cityscapes drawing workshops
	3.40pm	Dining Hall	Second hand uniform sale
Friday 21 October	12.55pm	Hall	Beaumont Bake-Off
Saturday 22 October	8.00pm		BSA school lottery draw
Monday 24 October			Half-term holiday
Saturday 29 October	8.00pm		BSA school lottery draw
Monday 31 October	8.30am		Students return to school



Cambridge Chemistry Challenge Competition

In the summer, several Year 12s entered the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge competition.

Set by an experienced team of university chemists, the competition stretches and challenges able students interested in chemistry and asks them to go significantly beyond the syllabus, encouraging them to think about science in the way they would at university. Certificates are awarded to the top achieving students nationally. The following received copper and silver awards: Gonzalo Garcia-Romero, Lucas Cheung, Joseph Shewfelt, Amy Westlake, Sarah McGrath, Molly Sandford Smith and Zeeshan Chowdhury, with Sam Flury receiving a Gold award! Congratulations to all involved.

Mr Parmar



Maths Challenge

Many of our students took part in the various Maths Challenges in the 2021-22 academic year. These papers encourage mathematical reasoning, precision of thought, and fluency in using basic mathematical techniques to solve interesting problems. There are separate challenges throughout the year for mathematicians in different year groups: Years 12 and 13 in the autumn term, Years 9, 10 and 11 in the spring term and Years 7 and 8 in the summer term. Well done to all of the students who chose to complete the challenges!

Many students were awarded Bronze, Silver and Gold certificates which they received in end of term assemblies. Those students with particularly high scores were invited by the challenge organisers to enter either the follow-on Kangaroo Round or, in the case of the highest scorers, the Olympiad.

Congratulations to the following students who completed the Kangaroo Round specific to their year:

Sam Flury, Gonzalo Garcia-Romero, Josh Smith, Ashby Thorpe, Ben Whitehouse, Ashan Bala, Harry Crawley,

Sean Eckford, Gregory Gibbons, Zachary Heng, Emily Maton, Eliza Parsons, Scott Robson-Smith, Mark Ross, Rita Saporenkova, Ben Soll, Filip Tolar, Martino Costa, Seth Cox, Laura Jaycocks, Michelle Lam, Kiran Reynolds, Krish Agarwala, Henry Lane, Hayden Mcgrath-Johnston, Abinash Ravithas, Zoe Ross, Ellie-Anna Scholte, Robert Shaporenkov and Ethan Witty, with Sam, Ashby, Ben, Harry, Sean, Mark, Hayden and Abinash achieving merits.

Congratulations to Joe Whitehouse and Alexia Mitrache who completed the Olympiad specific to their year. Joe achieved a distinction in the Hamilton Olympiad and received a medal and book prize. This result was recognised further with an invitation to the maths camp run by the UK Mathematics Trust at a college in Oxford! Well done to Joe and to all students who completed the challenges! If you enjoy Maths and enjoy a challenge, then log onto <https://www.ukmt.org.uk/challenges> where there are many questions to have a go at. You can also come along to the Maths Challenge Club on a Tuesday lunchtime, where students work on interesting problems together. We will be running the challenges in school again this year.

Maths Department



Year 7 & 8 Drama

Beaumont Drama celebrates inclusion and each June this is demonstrated at the brilliant KS3 Performance Evening, where audiences are entertained by our young performers/designers taking the stage in work that has been directed by our Y12 Drama Leaders. June 2022 saw the fabulous productions of 'The Jungle Book' by Year 7 Drama Club and 'Speak up!' by Year 8 Drama club.

'The Jungle Book' was an explosion of fun and colour. It had it all: acting, dancing, singing and puppetry! The performance, taking place in the amphitheatre, was made up of over 90 Year 7 students who had attended the Year 7 Drama Club, our weekly lunchtime club. During this time, they had created and devised the performance, being led by the imaginative Year 12 Drama Leaders. Some students contributed to the backstage team: painting, designing puppets and costumes. There was room for all to have a part and to be able to get involved!

'Speak up!' was a devised piece of theatre, based on the whole school read 'The Outlaws Scarlett and Browne' by Jonathan Stroud. The Year 12 leaders taught this team, devising techniques and pulling new, original work together to create a thought-provoking performance piece, exploring topical issues such as the environment, war and adventure. The cast of around 40 Year 8 students worked together with confidence in a performance set in the round - a very challenging stage layout to explore! The team had a great backstage crew, who had worked on sound, lighting, costume and props, to ensure the piece had all it needed.

It was a brilliant evening, which entertained and engaged all. It was wonderful to see so many young people being involved in Beaumont Drama opportunities. Well done to all of those involved... and here's to KS3 Performance Evening 2023!

Mrs Wallace



Readathon

Thank you and well done to all Year 7 and 8 students for their effort in the Readathon in the summer term. Once again, we were able to raise money for the Readathon charity, supporting children in hospitals. In total this year, we raised £1015.

Since 1998, Beaumont students have been getting sponsored for Readathon and we have now raised a total of £25,896! The English Department would like to issue a huge congratulations and thanks to every student that has contributed to this achievement over the years.

Ms McLean



Beaumont receives Plastic-Free status

We are pleased to share the good news that, through student-led work over the last couple of years on reducing plastic, Beaumont has achieved a Plastic Free Schools status! Many thanks to everyone involved. We are now proud to be able to display their accreditation.

Mrs Purple

Year 8 win the County Plate

The Year 8 cricket team competed in the County Plate final on Thursday 14 July after winning their semi-final versus John Warner earlier that week. Beaumont bowled first and, after a quiet start, managed to bowl St Clement Danes all out for 85 in just under 20 overs. Jude Berry starred with the ball, taking 4-7 from his 4 overs. Chasing 86 to win, Beaumont were always up with the run rate and Matt Fretter starred with a brilliant 41 runs before Danny Hart ended the game in style by hitting two sixes and finishing the game 13 not out. Beaumont finished 86-5 and end the season as County Plate Champions. Well done to all involved.



Mr Wynne



Many congratulations to Finn Ball (11S) who recently won the **Redbourn Junior Golf Championship** with a gross of 77.



Well done to Megan Gray (11A) who recently competed at the **Swim England National Summer Meet 2022** at Ponds Forge International Swim Centre in Sheffield. Training all year, this was the most important competition for Megan to take part in.

Megan's last race was the 50m breaststroke. Her heat was very strong and she was only 0.20 off her personal best, which had been set a few weeks prior. In the final, Megan swam a personal best with a time of 35.01 and came second.





Summer School 2022

We were fortunate to have great weather, being the hottest summer on record. Our incoming Year 7s made the most of it with lots of activities held in and outside the classrooms.

The overall focus was to encourage team-building as well as taster sessions in Languages, Science, English Languages, Maths, Geography and Drama, to name a few. Our Year 10 Mentors were on hand to assist with the activities and answer questions.





The finale was the mini sports day and quiz. The students wore their House colours and participated in a number of events.



After three packed days, on the last day we enjoyed the sun and ice creams!

The students all agreed they had fun and liked the fact that they could get to meet others in their form, talk thorough any concerns, ask questions, (there was a lot of interest in the food!) and take park in lots of fun activities.

Ms Afilaka



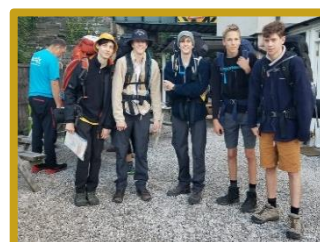
Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award

Our Gold DofE cohort travelled to Keswick for a tough but enjoyable qualifying expedition at the end of August.

The students had to demonstrate excellent navigation and camp craft, as well as walking with heavy packs over challenging terrain for four days, and they did brilliantly.

We are very grateful to the excellent staff of ActivAdventures as well as our parent volunteer Al Green, for accompanying our students.

Ms Dickson



BEAUMONT BOOK CLUBS FOR ALL!

The Library team are running three lunchtime book clubs this year:

Mondays : Year 7 Tuesdays : Year 8 Wednesdays : Years 9-11

These get-togethers offer students the ideal space to socialise, to share and discuss what they're reading and to gather book recommendations from other readers. There are always plenty of book-related activities and, of course, biscuits and cake! Each group has a dedicated Google Classroom

where they can post news, book reviews and suggested reads. As ever, we have an exciting agenda planned for this year. One of the highlights will be the **Beaumont Book Award**, an annual event organised and run by Year 11 students with the support of the librarians. The award features two categories and the shortlists for 2022/23 have already been decided. Please click on each book's title to view the 'blurb' on Accessit, our library web app:

Younger readers:

[The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy](#) by Douglas Adams, [Out of My Mind](#) by Sharon M Draper, [When Life Gives You Mangoes](#) by Kereen Getten, [The Blue Book of Nebo](#) by Manon Steffan Ros, and [The Memory Thieves](#) by Darren Simpson.

Older readers:

[Six of Crows](#) by Leigh Bardugo, [Medusa](#) by Jessie Burton, [The Last Paper Crane](#) by Kerry Drewery and Natsko Seki, [They Both Die At The End](#) by Adam Silvera and [Scythe](#) by Neil Shusterman.

We look forward to exploring these and many other wonderful books in the weeks ahead. Whether you're already a dedicated bookworm or are looking for a place to expand your reading in a relaxed and welcoming environment, we encourage you to join our weekly book clubs. See you there!

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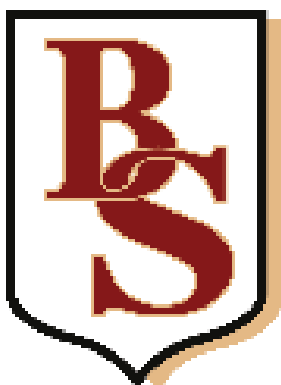
COMMUNITY COURSES

If you are interested in joining one or more of them, please email :

community.classes@beaumont.school

AT A GLANCE

- cost is £120 for ten double lessons
- minimum of five students per course for a course to run
- if you are interested in joining, please email us (address above) for an enrolment form



This autumn term, we are offering the following courses:

Art Textiles

Wednesday 7:30 – 9:30pm

Beaumont School, Design and Technology Block

French intermediate

Monday 7:00 – 9:00pm

Beaumont School, J Block

French Beginners

Tuesday 7:00 – 9:00pm

Beaumont School, J Block

German Intermediate

Wednesday 7:00 – 9:00pm

Beaumont School, J Block

Italian (any level)

Wednesday 7:00 – 8:30pm

Online, using Google meet or Zoom

Spanish (any level)

Tuesday 7:00 – 8:30pm

Online, using Google Meet or Zoom

Wednesday 2:15 – 3:45 pm and 4:00 – 5:30pm

Beaumont School, J Block

Woodwork

Tuesday 7:00 – 9:00pm

Beaumont School, Design and Technology Block



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