

Beechwood Newsletter

'TheCold War, the Berlin Wall'

The Sacred Heart Lecture yesterday delivered by Frau Covarr, focused on the development of the Cold War after Germany's defeat in the Second World War and how her father's family was forced to migrate westwards after part of East Prussia, (the eastern most part of Germany, was handed over to Poland at the end of the war). Her father, who had served in the Luftwaffe, ended up as a German Prisoner of War in England from 1946 to 1949, during which time he met her mother. Her talk also covered the building of the Berlin Wall and the eventual reunification of Germany in 1990. It was interspersed with personal vignettes and observations as the daughter of a German man living in Britain with relatives living on both sides of the Berlin Wall.

Kidenza

Last Friday, the pupils in Key Stage 2 visited Tunbridge Wells Boys Grammar school for a concert hosted by Kidenza. What a great opportunity to hear a fantastic orchestra play an array of classical music. Everyone agreed their favourite piece was an extract from Carmina Burana, by Carl Orff, where the huge gong was deafening. Pupils and staff thoroughly enjoyed the morning and are looking forward to the next concert.

Violin Assembly

This morning Madeleine Butcher, our violin and viola teacher, gave the Prep School children a violin demonstration during their assembly. She played a variety of beautiful pieces in different styles. The assembly was fun and inspiring. Miss Butcher has space to take on new pupils and will be in the Prep Hall on Wednesday 9 May at 8.30am to meet anyone who is interested.

Friday 4 May 2018

Many Thanks!

The alcove on Fountain Lawn has now been completed. Huge thanks must go to Mr Walters for the execution of the project, Sainsburys Local for their donation of £1,000, G Collins jewellers for their sponsorship donation, John at Technofilm for provision of the beautiful brass plaque, Swift Refurbishment for organising all of the materials and all of Year 13 donations.



PARENTMAIL

Prep School NSPCC Online Safety Training Year 13 **Study Leave & Higher Education Finance Prep School Cross Country Rescheduled** Year 11 **Leavers Hoodies** Year 12 Summer Examinations Year 3 Trip to Lullingstone Roman Villa Whole School Non-Uniform Day Year 5 **PGL Trip** Whole School **Mrs** Thompson

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Sports News

Cricket

On Thursday the Year 9 cricket team travelled to Farringtons. We were put into bat first and struggled to get off the mark and it took until the second over before runs were scored. As we started to get comfortable the runs began to flow with some excellent shots producing some timely 4s. We ended the innings with 58 for 7. It was then Farringtons turn to bat and they started well scoring heavily in the first over but we began to find their form and started taking wickets. Farrington continued to score well and caught our score with an over to spare. So very close to a victory but still some work to do.

Tag Rugby

On Thursday we took a team of U13 girls to the Tunbridge Wells Rugby Club for the annual tag rugby festival. They played three matches against TWGGS, Mascalls and a team of students from other schools. We started the first match drawing three all against TWGGS, with tries from Grace, Edie and Emma. Our second game against Mascalls was hard fought and despite tries from Grace, Kara and Lilly we lost in the dying seconds of the games 4-3. Our final game against the mixed team was a case match with two tries for Issy, and one each for Edie, Kara and Millie drawing five all. The girls played really well with very little opportunity to train.

The Mason Mile Challenge

This is a free event taking place in Dunorlan Park on 13 May at midday. Young people and their families can run, jog or even walk the mile. If you are under 16 you even win a cash reward and money for collecting your prize with your pet.

Find out more and enter the challenge by logging on to www.themasonmile.com.

FRIENDS OF BEECHWOOD

This year the Friends of Beechwood will be running several fun events on Beechwood Day. More details will follow shortly, but we will be holding our annual raffle after the ceremony. Tickets will be sent home in due course but if you would like to donate a prize for the raffle we would be very grateful. Please contact Rebecca Smith at <u>r.smith@beechwood.org.uk</u> if you can donate a prize or send to the school marked for her attention.

SMALL ADS

Bargain!

Two Capital FM Summertime Ball Tickets for sale on 9 June at Wembley for £100. Age 16 unless accompanied by an adult. If interested ring Rachel on 07769685046.

NEXT WEEK

SUN 6	Bronze DofE Practice Expedition
MON 7	Bank Holiday
TUES 8	Prep-Year 10 LAMDA Examinations 4.00 Inter-House Rounders
WED 9	10.30 Year 5 PGL to Hailsham 2.30 U13 Cricket v Skippers Hill (A) 4.00 U12/U13 Rounders v Radnor House (A) 5.00 Prep Soiree in the Auditorium
THUR 10	All Day Year 5 in Hailsham 4.00 Prep Play rehearsal 7.30 Year 11 Social at High Rocks
FRI 11	1.30 Year 11 'Moving On' Liturgy 3.30 Year 5 return from PGL
SAT 12	