



Friday 3 May 2019

MUGA

The new floodlit all-weather pitch will provide our students with many exciting opportunities to hone their sporting skills as well as hosting school matches. The official opening of the MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) is on Tuesday 7 May at 3.45pm, with drinks and canapés followed by the Staff v Sixth Form Netball Match. Mrs Carol Mitchell will officially open the MUGA.



The contractors S & C Slatter handed over the successful completion of the MUGA today.



Music/Art Trip to Amsterdam 2-5 July 2020



Bookings are being taken for this trip, sign up by 16 May. Contact s.kershaw@beechwood.org.uk for further details.

PARENTMAIL

- Prep School - Activity Booklet
- Whole School - Music Diary
- Prep School - Mr Coakley Welcome Back Letter
- Prep School - Cricket Training
- Year 11 - GCSE Exams & Study Leave
- Whole School - Christmas Fair Meeting
- Senior School - Activities Update
- Year 12 - Higher Education Fair
- Prep School - Play Rehearsals
- Whole School - Mamma Mia Postponed
- Prep School - Music Concert
- Prep School - Mr Coakley Weekly Letter
- Year 5 - Parents' Evening
- Year 11 - Social
- Whole School - Friends of Beechwood Meeting
- Prep School - Athletics Club
- Whole School Chaplaincy Bulletin
- Year 13 - Study Leave & Ball
- Year 5 - Parents' Consultation Evening
- Year 1-4 - Parents' Consultation Evening
- Year 11 - Extra Study Sessions
- Prep School & Year 7 - Peter Pan Auditions
- Prep School - Play Rehearsal
- Senior School - Apprentice 19
- Whole School - Official Opening of the MUGA
- Senior School - Music & Art Trip to Amsterdam
- Year 7 & 8 - Da Vinci Lecture
- Year 6 Head Lice
- Year 8 - Activity Trip

News

Eco Club

The Eco Committee met to discuss progress so far and talked about how to progress with their newly acquired Eco Garden, and to put forward ideas for the Environment Day on 17 June. Year 7-9 pupils will be off-timetable in the morning and will be involved in a variety of activities, highlighting how we need to look after the planet, our school environment and all of its bio diversity. The patch of land where the Eco Garden will be located has been rotavated so the pupil group can start planting vegetables and herbs, and sowing seeds.

Prep Music Concert

On Thursday the pupils held a concert in the Auditorium. The event opened with a bang from the Rock Band and their rendition of George Ezra's *Shotgun*. Other ensemble acts included the debut performance from 'TurboDrive' singing *Three Little Birds* and the Year 6 Gospel Girls singing *Count on Me*. The programme also included some excellent solo items, such as piano performance from James Kershaw, Henry Game and Georgina Hobart, classical guitar solos from Darwin Jong and Ribhav Gowda, and a vocal solo from Rowena Thomas. The line-up was completed by the fantastic KS2 choir singing *Pompeii*. Well done to all involved.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 21 May
Year 6 Trip to Drusillas
Friends of Beechwood Meeting
Friday 24 May
Prep May Procession
Tuesday 28 May
The Handlebards Production of *The Tempest*
7.00pm on Fountain Lawn

The profits from the sale of raffle tickets during the recent Chocolatier Soiree have been used to purchase cricket equipment. This generous donation will enable pupils to make use of the new outdoor space. Many thanks to Mrs Cook on behalf of all the students.

FRIENDS OF BEECHWOOD

We are looking for volunteers to help run stalls on Beechwood Day on Sunday 30 June. If you are able to offer some time please let Rebecca Smith (r.smith@beechwood.org.uk) know as soon as possible. We also need bottles, teddies/toys for the tombola and raffle prizes. All donations will be gratefully received.

WEEK 3

SUN 5	All Day LAMDA Exams Year 11-13
MON 6	Bank Holiday
TUES 7	9.15 Chiddingstone Literary Festival Year 4 3.45 Official Opening of the MUGA 4.15 Staff v Sixth Form Netball Match 5.00 Year 10 & 12 Drama Trip
WED 8	8.30 LAMDA Exams Prep & Year 7-10 10.30 Year 5 PGL Activity trip to Hailsham 2.30 U12/13 Boys Cricket v Bethany (A) 2.30 U13 Girls Cricket v Radnor House (A)
THUR 9	Year 5 PGL Hailsham 1.20 Stockbury Music Festival 2.30 U9/8 Girls Cricket v Claremont A 2.30 U9/8 Boys Cricket v The Mead (H) 4.00 U14 Rounders v Radnor House A 7.45 Year 11 Social at High Rocks
FRI 10	Senior Charity Non-Uniform Day 6.00 Cultural Showcase
SAT 11	

Sport News

Netball

On 25 April U12 & U13 teams travelled to Rochester for a Kent Netball tournament. The U12s played brilliantly in all their matches and are really starting to gel as a team. Our two Year 6 ringers, Katie-May and Amelie played commendably for the older age group. They came fifth overall, but their matches were all extremely close. The U13 (also with two Year 7 playing, Luna and Connie) had a fabulous day and as their tenacity grew so did their score lines. They came third overall and narrowly missed second place. Well done to all the players as they worked very hard and did Beechwood proud.

Kwik Cricket

The U11/10 B team played an enjoyable game against The Mead on Wednesday. We were put into bat first and Oliver got us off to an encouraging start, hitting a super 4 off his fourth ball. Unfortunately, nerves played significant part in our overall batting innings and runs were missed. Hugo, however gave us a boost, scoring 9 runs off the last over to give us a total of 219. Oliver opened the bowling, restricting our opponents to 3 runs off the over. Lucas and Hugo also took 2 super catches during the innings. Our opponents, however, were able to expose weaknesses in our communication in the field and gradually progressed towards our batting total. The Mead won by 18 runs. The team now needs to focus on improving their core skills, and gain the confidence to communicate with each other both while batting and in the field, as this is a vital aspect to becoming successful team.

Cricket

On Wednesday, two teams from our U10/11's travelled to the Nevill Cricket Ground to face The Mead in cricket matches. Team 1, captained by Raj, won the toss and decided to bat first. We batted soundly and ran effectively to build our total, however we lost five wickets in the innings to leave The Mead with a catch-able target. We bowled well and prevented The Mead gaining runs, but unfortunately could only take two wickets. We had further opportunities to get out our opponents but unfortunately were unable to do so, meaning The Mead were victorious by eight runs. Well done boys for a great level of effort and concentration.

Team 2, captained by Oliver M, conducted themselves excellently throughout the match and displayed good techniques when batting, bowling, and fielding. The Mead demonstrated more confidence batting, and capitalised on mistakes, to come away with victory. Valiant effort from all involved, with positives and areas for improvement evident. Well done boys.

On Thursday our U15s travelled to Radnor House for their first cricket game of the season. We won the toss and chose to bat, immediately setting to work, scoring 4's and 6's in the first over. Luke displayed a cool head and leadership as his tally began to rise, ably assisted by Matthew. The opening partnership was broken when the ball clipped Matthew's heel and took his stumps. Kristian continued the partnership with Luke who by this point was on for his century. After 7 overs Luke had achieved a total of 112 and was retired. Other wickets then fell, however Kristian and Conor kept the total rising. We ended our innings on 160 for 5. Beechwood then set about their task in the field. An outstanding few overs from Stephen and Edward restricted Radnor's scoring, and as wickets tumbled, Beechwood remained on course for a convincing victory. Radnor managed a total of 118 for 5. Well played to all involved on a very productive and pleasant afternoons cricket.

WEEK 4

SUN 12	
MON 13	9.00 Year 10 School Exams Begin 9.00 GCSE Exams Begin 4.00 U12 Girls Cricket v Kent College H 4.15 U13 Girls Cricket v Kent College A
TUES 14	2.30 U18 Cricket v Bethany (A) 4.00 Years 1-5 Parent/Teacher Evening 4.30 U14 Rounders v Battle Abbey (A)
WED 15	2.30 U11/U10 Boys Cricket v Fosse Bank (H) 2.30 U11/U10 Girls Cricket v SH Wadhurst (A) 4.00 U13 Rounders v Battle Abbey (H)
THUR 16	3.00 U18 Rounders v Battle Abbey (A)
FRI 17	Year 9 School Exams Begin 1.30 Year 13 Leavers' Liturgy & BBQ 4.00 Year 13 Study Leave Begins 7.00 Sixth Form Ball
SAT 18	