

Dear Parent and Student,

I am delighted to say that the positive start that we enjoyed to the new academic year last week has been sustained, so **I congratulate students**. I am pleased with their positivity and evident desire to do well.

Our focus in assembly this last week was on **'being respectful'** and the message was clear

*"To get it, you must give it!
What you give is what you get back"*

We focused on **'good manners'** and students were asked specifically to be mindful of the following:

BE RESPECTFUL
BE RESPECTED
BE ADMIRED
BE CONNECTED
BE THE CHEERY FACE OF WELCOME
BE THE FRIEND YOU
CAN DEPEND ON
BE DYNAMIC
BE INSPIRED
BE EXCITED
BE ADMIRED
BE THE PERSON YOU
ASPIRE TO BE
BE AN ACADEMIC
SUCCESS STORY
BE A HERO
BE A LEADER
BE A WINNER
BE A DREAMER
BE A CREDIT TO THE SCHOOL
BE THE ONE WHO'S EXCEPTIONAL
BE DEMANDING
BE COURAGEOUS
BE THE IDEA
THAT'S CONTAGIOUS
BE YOURSELF
BE SET FREE

BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE

Good manners



Please
Thank you
Hello
Excuse me
How are you?
I'm sorry
Can I help you?

What else helps?



- Holding the door open for someone.
- Walking on the left.
- Being on time.
- Only having your mobile phone on and out during the school day when a member of staff has given you permission.
- Being in the right place.
- Eating in the right place.
- Not leaving a mess for someone else to clear up.
- Not doing something negative that means that others are put in the position of having to address it.

As mentioned last week, not only do I hope it is helpful for parents to know what is shared with students but also I share this information so these key aspects which lead to all thriving, being happy and succeeding can be reinforced out of school.

On Tuesday evening we have the opportunity to share how great our school is with visitors at our annual **'Open Evening'** for Year 7 admission. I am really proud of the significant number of students who have volunteered to be part of this special and important community event. I trust you have all had the letter advising of **early closure on Tuesday 18th September**. School will close for student at 1.30 pm.

This year in our bulletin, we are going to have regular weekly items from Ms Joy on **'Good News'** and **'Student Voice'**. Please see below the good news and student focus from this week.

Good News

Story

Well done to Beechwood Schools Eco Prefects, a group of enthusiastic lower school leaders who took responsibility for our schools plants and trees last academic year. As a result of their wonderful effort Beechwood School has been awarded a Gold Award in the Community, Business & Commercial Category of Slough in Bloom 2018.

Year 7's & 8's can apply to be an Eco prefect this year by submitting a statement to Mrs Joy, ALC on why they would like the role (100 words).



Student Voice

Name: Joy Mlambo

Year: 9IRO

Favourite Subject: Maths with Mr Bayliss

Why I love Beechwood School: The huge variety of subjects I have the opportunity to study. I also really enjoy being an ALC Supporter. I have help Mrs Joy and supported all students for the past two years at break and lunch time.

Future Aspiration: I would like to work in sport as I love to play Football.



Although information about extra-curricular activity was shared last week, please see below the overview of opportunities being provided by the PE department.

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS ACTIVITIES

DAY	ACTIVITY	STAFF	LOCATION
MONDAY	Table Tennis	GGN/BMT/PDA	Sports Hall
	Badminton	GGN/BMT/PDA	Sports Hall
TUESDAY	Year 7-8-9 Girls Football	BFE/YEAR 11	Field/Muga
WEDNESDAY	Year 7 Football	GGN	Field
	Year 8 Football	BMT	Field
	Year 9 Football	PDA	Field
	Year 10-11-Sixth Form Basketball	RJO	Sports Hall
THURSDAY	Indoor Cricket	Berkshire Cricket	Sports Hall
	Netball	SHL/GWE	Netball Courts

Finally, for this week, please note the key dates between now and half-term.

Year 12 in class Graduation - starting 17 September - all week
Year 7 CAT Tests - starting 17 September - all week
Open Evening - 18 September - early closure - 1.30 pm
Year 11 - 13 - Visit to O2 Telefonica - 21 September
Year 9 CAT Tests - starting 24 September - all week
Open Morning 9.15 am - 26 September
Year 7 Information Evening 6.00 - 8.00 pm - 27 September
Years 11 - 13 Mars Apprenticeship - 28 September
Year 9 Michael Shanley - Plan, Design and Build - 2 October
Year 12 Graduation Evening
Year 9 Lego Mindstorm - 17 October
Half Term - 22 October - 26 October

Very best wishes for a great week ahead.



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