

Bulletin Home – 12 October 2018



Dear Parent and Student,

We are now in the 'count down' to our first half-term break of this academic year. It has been a busy and highly successful half-term with students showing impressive levels of engagement and securing a record number of achievement points as a consequence. Well done to all our young people who have embraced the goal set at the start of our academic year together, "to try their best to do their best, to be the best".

We have some exceptional examples of students excelling and therefore I want to acknowledge:

- our football teams for their recent sporting endeavours and successes;
- our Sixth Form Business students for the excellent work they are doing to run community events as part of their programme of study – the games evening and the Year 7 disco are definitely events to look forward to;
- our Key Stage 4 students who are supporting Year 7 students and are also spending time with our Year 7s on paired reading activities;
- our Year 11 students who are engaged in charity fund raising activities in aid of Cancer Research;
- our Year 11 and Sixth Form students who joined together on Friday night for a community fun activity at Thorpe Park;
- our Computing students who participated in the national 'Cipher Challenge' run by the University of Southampton and IBM who performed exceptionally well, with Mateusz Pankowski receiving special commendation for his excellence in the challenges;
- our Year 9 students who are participating in the 'Lego Mindstorm' challenge – an opportunity to develop robotics and nano-technology understanding and capability;
- our KS4 students who are participating so positively in the 'Study Higher' opportunities which are being facilitated by Directors of Studies;
- the Year 9 students who participated in the 'Design, Plan and Build' Shanly Homes challenge;
- the Year 11 students who engaged so positively in the 'Mars Apprenticeship Day'.

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BE ADMIRER
BE CONNECTED
BE THE CHEERY FACE OF WELCOME
BE THE FRIEND YOU
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BE INSPIRED
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BE ADMIRER
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**

The above listing illustrates just some of the opportunities our young people have had access to and some of the positive achievements as a consequence. There will be much more to look forward to next half-term.

With regards to looking forward, I just want to share another reminder of our forthcoming 'Training Day' for staff on Friday 19 October – this means that the last day of the half-term for students will be on Thursday. Students' half-term holiday commences on Friday 19 October and they will not be in school on this day.

Over the half-term break, our Year 11 and 13 students need to be engaged in revision in preparation for their forthcoming PPEs. The exams commence on Monday 5 November and it is vitally important that they give of their best in these examinations. All other year groups will have some study activities to engage in. Don't forget how we use 'Google' to assist in these out of school time learning activities.

Very best wishes for a great week ahead and half-term break when it eventually comes.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen M Higgins".

Kathleen M Higgins
Executive Headteacher

Good News

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Year	Representatives	
7 - BFE	Emmanuel Omotayo	Piper Owen
8 - SHN	Ghulam Mustafa	Charlie Gilbert
9 - SHL	Mason McClusky	Leah Edwards
10 - AIR	Marcelle Casey-Blake	Shannon Goodman

School Council Elected Members

The following students were elected as School Council year representatives. Their focus will be on Community, Charity & Citizenship. We are looking forward to an action packed academic year with our students at the forefront of Beechwood's student Voice.

Student Voice

Name: Daniel West

Year: 11SHI

Favourite Subject: Mathematics and PE

Why I enjoy Beechwood School: I enjoy learning new things such as my current GCSE literature on Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde. I also really enjoy creative writing in my spare time. I also love football.

Future Aspiration: To be a football manager or author.

