



No Pens Day Wednesday 13th November 2019

Today was No Pens Day for Year 7 and the students at Bexley Grammar relished the opportunity to take a break from our normal routine and have some fun! We had English first and last period and had been prepared in advance for the fact that we would be leading the lessons with our own presentations on a subject of our choice. This meant advance planning and rehearsing at home. Our teacher would be assessing us on our speaking and listening skills and even though we were all initially very nervous, we had no reason to be as it was a thoroughly enjoyable experience, allowing everyone the opportunity to speak in a semi-formal way. In maths, we had a very different lesson from the usual ones: we were decoding a series of equations and trying to figure out the details to a robbery which had occurred. This was really enjoyable and challenging and took us a little bit out of our comfort zone. Our team was one of two that worked it out correctly - the key being communication and collaboration with the group - and we were very pleased with ourselves. On some occasions throughout the day, we found it hard to not break the rule and reach for something to write with! Some teachers even found themselves itching for a pen! All in all, No Pens Day was an exciting and challenging change and well worth the wait.

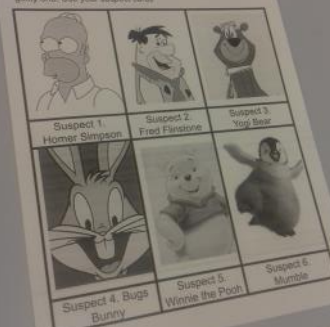
Grace Taylor, Year 7



Who took it	Fred Flinstone (suspect 2)
What was taken	It is a big box of celebrations mmmm
Where it was taken from	Sc 10
Why it was taken	I just love chocolate, I was going to eat it all myself.

Challenge 1. Faces

Calculate the answers to the problems on the following page and decide which suspect told the truth each time. You can eliminate that suspect from your enquiries. You will be left with 1 suspect - the guilty one. Use your suspect cards.



Geography News



Watch this space for a detailed report on the exciting adventures in the Azores...

Have you seen?

Have a good look at the new Azores display (outside the Library) documenting the awe and wonder that Year 13 and Year 9 experienced on their recent trip to the Azores in the Atlantic! Juicy-licious!



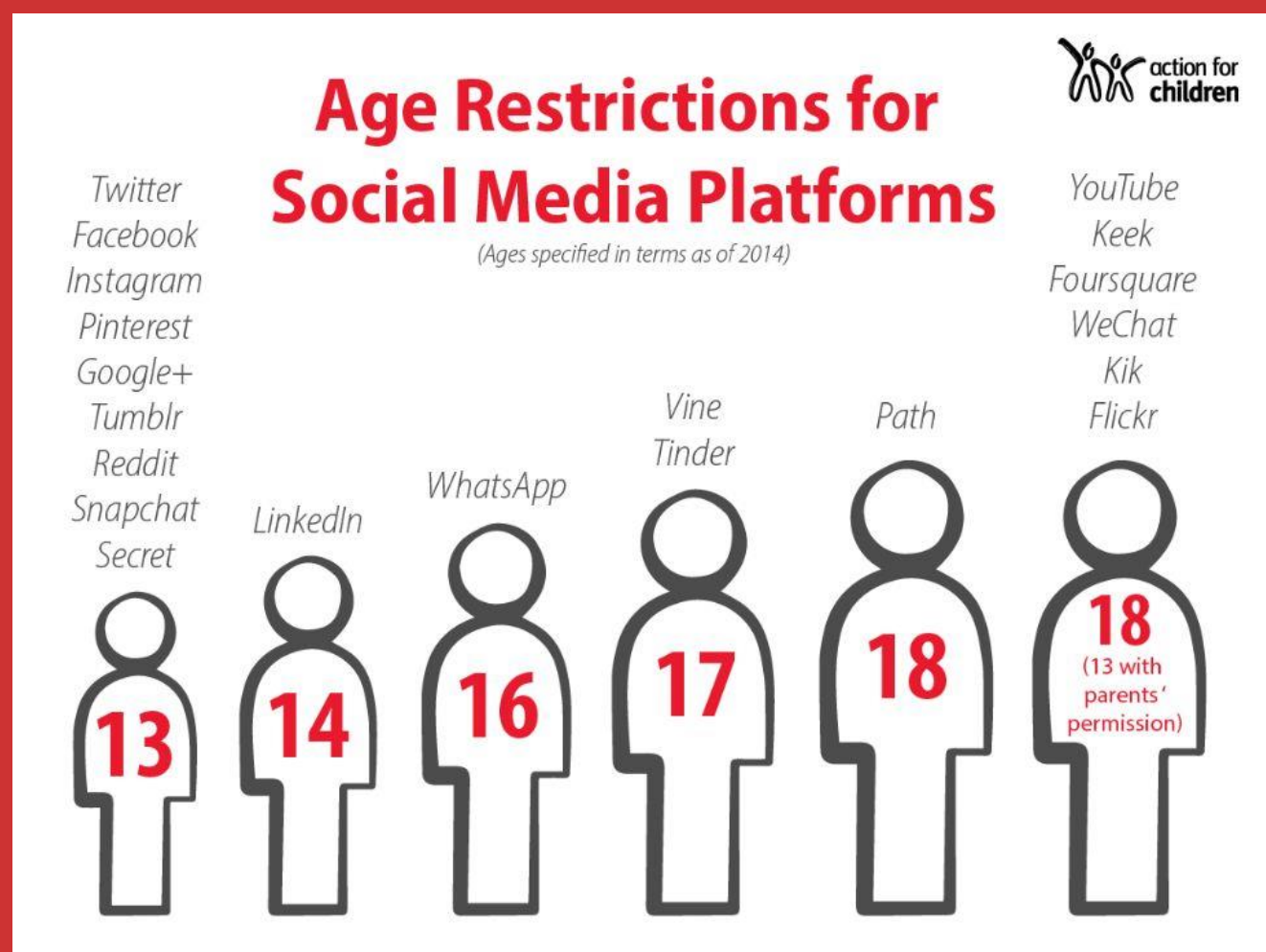
Notice for Year 7 Parents

We often find during the transition to Secondary School, and for many children their first experience of a smartphone, that issues can arise with social media groups using apps such as WhatsApp. Please be clear with your children that the school does not endorse or require the use of groups such as these - all school work and communications can be accessed through Google Classroom or Gmail and this is how teachers expect students to communicate regarding school issues.

Please be aware of the age restrictions for the use of social media apps and discuss these with your children (see below). I have also attached a link to the Safer Internet website, if you require further advice or information. The NSPCC and Thinkuknow websites also have highly relevant information for parents and carers.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/>

Mr Skinner, Director of Studies , Year 7



A whole new word ~ Year 10

Week 10



Art
Biology
Business Studies
Chemistry
Classics
Computer Science
Drama
DT
Economics
English
Geography
History
Maths
MFL
Music
Physics
P.E.

Form
Ligase
Outsourcing
Precipitate
Asyndeton
Embed
Naturalism
Conduction
Equilibrium
Aloof
Quagmire
Epidemic
Factorise
Explain
Triplet
Rectification
Epidemiology



Exams News

Important message for all Year 11 students

The awarding bodies have designated **Wednesday 24th June 2020** as "contingency day" for examinations. This is in the event of national or local disruption to examinations. It means that students need to be available up to and including the contingency day.

Mrs Bono, Examinations Officer



Message from the Finance Office

Important note for all students

Please could we remind parents to ensure that students' ParentPay accounts are topped-up with enough funds for them to make purchases in the canteen.

Thank you

Mrs Gibbs, School Business Manager



BEXLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL PA

PRESENTS

THE GREAT BGS BAKE OFF

SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER

**ENTER AT RECEPTION
& PICK UP INFO SHEET**

- + OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS
- + BAKE 6 THEMED CUPCAKES AT HOME
- + BRING YOUR CUPCAKES TO THE CHRISTMAS FAIR
- + PRIZES FOR STAR BAKER IN EACH YEAR!
- + ALL CAKES WILL BE SOLD BY THE PA



News items you may have missed



BEXLEY GRAMMAR MUSIC DEPARTMENT
PRESENTS

BGS Christmas Concert

2ND DECEMBER 2019, 6PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
WWW.YOURBOXOFFICE.CO.UK
OR BY CLICKING ON THE LINK [HERE](#)
£6.50/£4 CONCESSIONS

School Play ~ The Ash Girl by Timberlake Wertenbaker

Wednesday 4th December, 7pm

Thursday 5th December, 5pm

Friday 6th December, 7pm

Adults £8.50

Children £5

Family (4 tickets, at least 2 children) £20

[Click here for tickets](#)



An adaptation of **CINDERELLA** with an inspiring message to us all about believing in ourselves and not giving in to negativity. The show has more substance and depth than the traditional fairy-tale, but still has all the main events and characters for it to appeal to younger children (and the children within us). Whatever it is you want from this show, *the shoe will definitely fit you!*



[View Rehearsal footage here \(edited by Samuel Parsons, Year 8\)](#)

A young girl's father has gone missing, and her mother and sisters mistreat her. A new foreign Prince has arrived and is throwing a Ball, but will Ash Girl go? Or will she stay at home feeling sorry for herself? Meanwhile, in the forest, evil spirits are planning to affect mankind with their negative virtues- can love conquer all?

Featuring students from Years 7-13, you can enjoy the breadth of talent as they share this heartening, positive story with you.

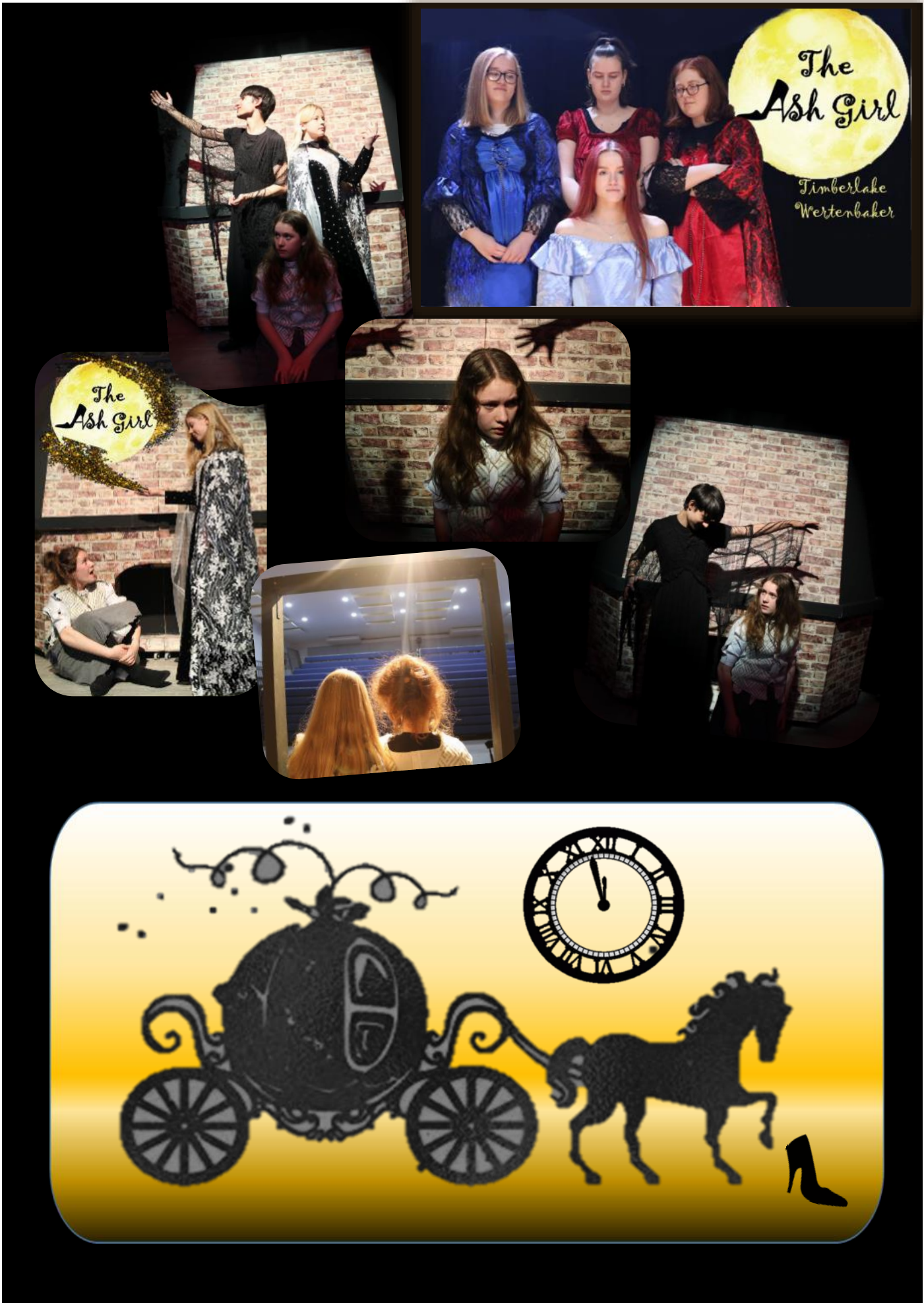
We would expect this event to sell out, so act fast, *because your Fairy Godmother can't magic you an extra ticket.*

We have introduced a 'family ticket' which allows you bring your loved ones at a reduced rate. We also encourage you to come to the Thursday show at 5pm, meaning younger children do not need to stay up too late and *risk their carriage turning back into a Pumpkin.*

If the link above does not work, go to yourboxoffice.co.uk and search 'Bexley'.

Mr Otley, Director, The Ash Girl







NORDMANN FIR CHRISTMAS TREES FOR SALE



- * The BGS Parent's Association is pleased to offer discounted Nordmann Fir Christmas trees to all BGS families, staff, friends and neighbours.
- * The trees come in a wide range of sizes available from £20 – £55. They have excellent needle retention and soft, deep green foliage.
- * All proceeds will go toward school resources and initiatives.

To order your tree, visit: www.bgschristmastrees.co.uk

Orders due by Wednesday 20th November

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CHRISTMAS FAIR

SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER

11AM – 3PM

GIFT
MARKET

GAMES &
CRAFTS

BAKE
OFF

PAMPER
PARLOUR

LIVE
MUSIC

FOOD
& DRINK

MULLED WINE
& MINCE PIES

ADULTS £1
KIDS FREE
BEXLEY GRAMMAR
SCHOOL
DANSON LANE



Forthcoming Events

November

Monday 18th ~ Week A

Tuesday 19th

Sixth Form Open Evening for entry into Year 12 Sept 2020 ~ see website for details

Wednesday 20th

PA Nordmann Fir Christmas Tree ~ **Order date deadline (see notice)**



Monday 25th

Power day 2

Saturday 30th

PA Christmas Fair, 11am- 3pm (see notice)

PA The Great BGS Bake Off (see notice)



December

Monday 2nd

BGS Christmas Concert (see notice)



Wednesday 4th ~ The Ash Girl Performance (see notice for ticket information)

Thursday 5th ~ The Ash Girl Performance (see notice for ticket information)

Friday 6th ~ The Ash Girl Performance (see notice for ticket information)



Wednesday 18th

Christmas Dinner in the canteen ~ student main meal & dessert £3.60

(Information to follow ~ please ensure students have money on their accounts)

