



BGS Summer Fayre & Sports Day Saturday 9th June

We're all set for the Summer Fayre and we're looking forward to seeing you there!

Students in Years 7 to 10 and Year 12 will attend school from 9.30am until approximately 2.45pm. Parents, friends and Years 11 and 13 are welcome to join us from 10.30am to approximately 2.15pm but please note that there will be no parking available on site. Please remember to plan for the day off in lieu on Monday 11th June when the school is closed (apart from public examinations).

It's not too late to donate or to help the Parents' Association. Bottles and/or unwanted gifts can be left at the School Reception this week.

Fingers crossed for sunshine!

Mrs Sword

Coconut Faces

3 throws for a £1
1 throw for 50p

Hit the villainous coconut and make it fall down! The more faces that fall, the more number of raffle tickets won!

First called will win a £20 Amazon voucher and the second called will win a £10 Amazon voucher.



The amazing Coconut Faces Shy was created by Samuel Bowles, Year 8 and his Dad. Well done Samuel & thanks to both!

Please could you send the following items into Reception to support the Summer Fayre

- Bottles - any unopened bottles for our tombola
- Unwanted and unused gifts (any!)
- Matched funding - please let us know if you are able to support us with matched funding.

Many thanks,
Bexley Grammar
Parents' Association

7JED is looking for any unwanted plates, bowls and mugs for crockery smash at the summer fayre. Please bring any donations to Reception.

Thank you!
Mr Dufton





The weather forecast for Saturday is good, with sunny intervals and an average temperature of 23°.



Please remember to bring sun cream and a bottle of water to drink!



Year 8 Food Bank

A huge thank you to all those who donated to Year 8's Food Bank drive. Each week, volunteers from the year group collected the donations from various points around the school and spent their lunch, walking them to the local drop off point in Tesco. We were able to donate a total of 237 items across the 5 weeks! A huge well done to 8CIL who were responsible for 76 of those items. Thank you again for your generosity and support, the food and toiletries donated have gone to families in the Borough who really need help.

Mrs Harris
Director of Studies, Year 8



KS3 Musical Showcase

Over 60 students took part in this year's KS3 showcase with so many in junior ensembles and performing solos or with their own bands. We all had lots of fun learning the pieces and doing Hall rehearsals on the day and even more fun performing on the night. The atmosphere was friendly and positive and everyone enjoyed watching the talented individuals who took part, with the concert beginning and ending on highs and full of amazing and creative performances; it was truly a night to remember!

Daisy Cripps, Year 8

Library News

The Guardians of the Graphic Galaxy have accomplished their final mission! They have read a selection of graphic novels and have rated these novels using their superpowers and have come to a conclusion. **The Water Dragon's Bride** has won! This book is about a little girl, Asahi, who was whisked away from her warm and happy home and is stranded in a strange and mysterious world where she meets the **Water Dragon God!** Subaru helps her to find her parents and her previous home. Mrs Carey, the leader of the Guardians, has kindly provided them with a 2nd and 3rd book to the series. The intergalactic vigilantes definitely recommend reading this book.



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GUARDIANS OF THE GRAPHIC GALAXY
 VOL. 1

THE INTERGALACTIC VIGILANTES ARE BACK FOR THEIR GREATEST MISSION YET! GRAPHIC NOVELS

LANDING IN THE LIBRARY IN

2018

Sport Relief 2018

For Sport Relief 2018 students in Years 7-9 were encouraged to take part in some 'Retro'/'Old School' sporting activities during their lunchtime. Parents had kindly donated equipment, and the BGS School Council students gave up their time to help out. Students took part in activities including sack races, egg & spoon races and group skipping. They had so much fun and we are now looking into buying skipping ropes for students to use at lunchtime.

We also held a full school non-uniform day, and with both events combined raised over £1200, as well as encouraging our students to get more active.

Thanks to everyone who gave their money, time and equipment.

Mrs Gradley & the School Council



WHATEVER MOVES YOU

DO IT FOR

SPORT
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PE News

5th Hermée Cup Judo Competition in Liège, Belgium

On Friday 18th May 2018, whilst the rest of my form were sitting their Latin Language exam, I was on the 10:58 train to Brussels with 20 other members of United Judo Club, all wearing our Club shirts. I was very excited as this was my first international competition. After the 4-hour journey to Liège-Guillemins, we were greeted by the host of the Competition and some of the parents from their club. 8 of the parents kindly drove us from the station to our IBIS Budget Hotel on the edge of town. Competitors from all over Europe were there, including: France, Greece, Wales, Germany, The Netherlands, and even Luxembourg.



The Saturday was the friendlies, where most of our Club members fought and everyone who fought got a medal. We celebrated their successes with a meal at a local Chinese restaurant.

The Sunday, however, was the day I fought (along with four others from our club). It was not for the faint of heart. You were supposed to be at least 10th Mon (Green Belt) to fight, whereas I am only 4th (Yellow Belt) but they let me compete anyway, as I had travelled from England, wanted to fight and they had not told us the minimum grade beforehand. The lowest grade I fought was 17th Mon (just two below a Black Belt); the highest I fought was a Black Belt in the French National Squad who is 7th in the whole of Europe. Unsurprisingly, I lost all five of my fights, though I did try my best, gain a lot of experience, was pleased to represent my Country and my Club and would definitely take part again.



Simon Woods, Year 9

World Challenge: Namibia 2020

The first meeting for all students attending the trip to Namibia is on Wednesday 27th June at 3.15pm in L6. This will give you the chance to find out who else has signed up, get some more details about the trip and to begin planning your adventure. T-shirts have also arrived so I will give these out during the meeting. All details and the google classroom code have also been sent to all Challengers by email.



See you there!

Miss Brand
World Challenge Leader

World Challenge

BGS presents 'SCHOOL of ROCK'!

The Bexley Grammar School musical production is fast approaching, and this year we are proud to present West End smash-hit SCHOOL OF ROCK. Based on the iconic, hit movie, this irresistible new musical follows Dewey Finn, a failed wannabe rock star who decides to earn some extra cash by posing as a supply teacher at a prestigious prep school. There he turns straight-A pupils into a guitar-shredding, bass-slapping, mind-blowing rock band... but can he get them to the Battle of the Bands without their parents and the school's upright headmistress finding out?

With music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, a script by Julian Fellowes and lyrics by Glenn Slater, it is a treat for all the family. The show holds more challenges than ever before: students are not only singing, acting and dancing, but also playing the guitar/ piano/ bass/ drums live on stage!

Due to the huge popularity of the show, we had the largest number of students ever audition for a show (nearly 15% of the school!), and so for the first time ever, have cast two entirely separate casts who will perform on two nights each. Therefore, if you are coming to see a specific student, please make sure you know which nights they are performing! (click on the link [here](#) to see the cast list).

The show will take place at 7pm on each of the following nights:

Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th July – 'HENDRIX' Cast

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th July – 'MEGADETH' Cast

Refreshments will be served in the intervals by our school PA and the World Challenge teams.

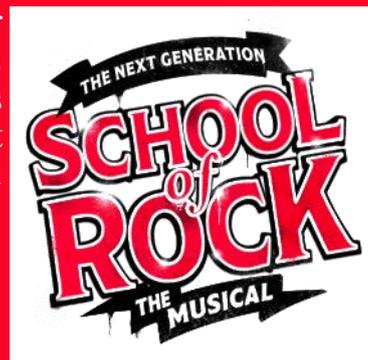
Please note that the performance on Wednesday 4th July will be a *Gala Evening, following a special viewing of the A-level Art Exhibition at 6pm, with a number of special guests. Therefore, there will be a more limited number of tickets available for this night, so if you want to attend on this date, please book your tickets swiftly!*

Tickets for this fundraising event are now available to buy online by clicking on the link [here](#).

Once you have purchased your tickets, simply print out the confirmation and bring it with you to the show. Tickets cost £8.50 per adult and £6.50 for children/concessions. We anticipate all four nights shows selling out very quickly, so please ensure you book your tickets early. Seating is allocated, and please note that we cannot re-allocate or change ticket orders once seating has been assigned.

I look forward to seeing you at one of the performances!

Miss Swadkin



News Items You May Have Missed



Parents'
Association

BGS Parents' Association (BGSPA) has yet again been able to secure reduced price ride wristbands for Adventure Island, Southend. Adventure Island is a great day out for all the family, with a wide choice of rides for all ages. Check it out at: www.adventureisland.co.uk

Although entry is free, purchase of a wristband is required for unlimited use of all suitable rides. Once purchased, a wristband can be used on any one day in 2018 that Adventure Island is open. At peak times (weekends and school holidays), for anyone who is over 1.2 metres tall, a wristband would cost £22.50 if purchased online (£30 if purchased at the ticket office on the day). The PA can provide these for **only £18.00**. For those who are 1.2 metres tall, or less, we have wristbands for **only £12**, instead of the usual £18.75 online price (£25 if purchased at the ticket office on the day).

Wristbands are available as follows:

Big Adventure Band for anyone over 1.2 metres tall. This permits unlimited access to **all** rides.

Junior Band for anyone 1 to 1.2 metres tall. This permits unlimited use of more than 20 rides with a lower height restriction.

If you would like to purchase reduced price wristbands (**these are valid for 2018**) please click on the link [here](#) complete the form and follow the instructions.



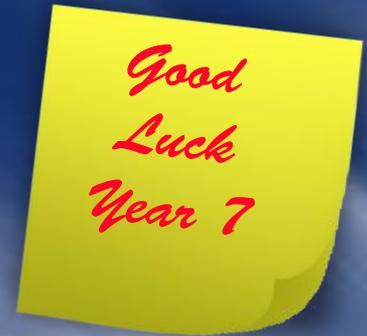
Year 7 Update

Just a quick reminder that Year 7 exam week will be running from Wednesday 13th - Friday 15th June. Pupils will have an examination in each subject and so should make sure that they prepare fully for this week. Pupils will receive feedback and results soon after exam week and a full set of grades will be published in their Year 7 Summer term report which will be issued to students on 19th July.

Pupils should also be making progress towards collecting their next 15 hours of CAS. By way of a reminder, we are expecting pupils to do five hours of something creative, 5 hours of something active and 5 hours of something service based during the summer term. These hours can be collected during school or via activities outside of school hours. Pupils should record each activity and get them signed off by the adult supervising on page 135 of the student planner. Further details of the KS3 Diploma and CAS can be found on pages 131 -135 or alternatively in the booklet distributed at the Year 7 'Meet the Tutor Evening'.

Good luck Year 7

Mrs Boulden, Director of Studies



Forthcoming Events

June

Saturday 9th ~ BGS Summer Fayre & Sports Day ~ information to follow shortly
(normal school day for students in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 & 12)

Monday 11th ~ School closed to students ~ day off in lieu following Summer Fayre & Sports Day

Tuesday 12th ~ Every Child Matters (ECM) day

Wednesday 13th to Friday 15th ~ **Year 7 & 8 Exams** (see Year 7 notice)

Tuesday 26th ~ Sixth Form Induction Day ~ by invitation only

Thursday 28th ~ Sixth Form Induction Day ~ by invitation only

July

Sunday 1st ~ Year 13 Prom

Friday 6th ~ **Results Day - Year 13 IB**

Monday 9th ~ Year 11 Prom

Tuesday 10th ~ BGS Jazz Evening 6.30pm - 9pm (information to follow)

Friday 20th ~ Last day of summer term

August

Thursday 16th ~ **Results Day - Year 13 A Level**

Thursday 23rd ~ **Results Day - Year 11 GCSE**