

BECKET KEYS  
CHURCH OF  
ENGLAND SCHOOL



In this week's  
Newsletter:

Governors' Speech &  
Awards Evening



# July Newsletter

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## Governors' Speech & Awards Evening

**On Tuesday 16th July Becket Keys Church of England School celebrated its first year with a special event hosted by the Governors of the school.**

Each subject lead teacher awarded a prize to an individual student who embodied the performance we are looking for at Becket Keys. It was tough, really tough, to select single students for this, as there are so many in the year group who

have done exceptionally well this year.

Bishop Stephen Cottrell joined us for the big occasion opening with prayer, giving an address, presenting the awards and praying a blessing.

Bishop Stephen challenged us all to do the best we can 'with the cards we are dealt'. In other words, to use our talents, passions and the opportunities we are presented with to the very best effect — a very appropriate message for

the evening and at the end of our first year at Becket Keys.

As usual, we provided refreshments in the dining room and visitors were able to view work from the end of year art and textiles exams.

Music was a key part of the evening with performances from various students including Celeste Brien, Alex Evans and the school orchestra. The choir offered a grand finale performing 'The Circle of Life.'

## THANK YOU!

This is the final weekly newsletter for this inaugural year. It constantly amazes me how far and wide this newsletter is read, but I am increasingly aware of the high levels of interest in our fantastic new school.

In these newsletters we have tried to communicate as much as possible about how our founding students and staff have got on. We hope that they have been useful to you.

Thank you for reading them and thanks, too, for all your support this year.

**Mr Scott-Evans**



**“£2196.64 for various charities!”**

## Charity Update

**Congratulations to our Charity Committee who have helped us to raise a truly impressive £2196.64**

A year of fundraising events with our 128 students has raised a superb £2196.64 for various charities.

### MONEY GIVEN

From this total, a donation of £696.92 will be made to each of the school charities: Great Ormond Street Hospital and Essex Air Ambulance.

The remainder of the money has already been donated as follows:

Lend with Care: £120.00 The two individuals to whom we lent money are making regular repayments

of their loan, and we will be reinvesting our £120 in September to support new individuals.

Our Children in Need cake sale raised a fantastic £300.55 back in the Christmas term.

£76.54 was raised for the Poppy Appeal.

62 shoeboxes were sent to Operation Christmas Child to give children living in poverty a chance to enjoy Christmas.

### MONEY RAISED

Our BBQ family day, including £95.88 from Charity week events and over £400 from the Silent Auction, raised a sizzling £771.88! Refreshment sales at the Summer Concert provided a cool £66.45!

‘Charlie and the Chocolate Factory’ chocolate and snack sale raised a sweet £102!

Other school events through the year, including lunchtime change collections, competitions and quizzes raised a further £453.51 The Charity Committee has worked incredibly hard this year and a special mention must go to the stalwarts who have been there, organising the events: Liam Ball, Daisy Benson, Eden Hatch, Matthew Jennings, Jamie Major, Georgina Podd and Fern Williams - along with a very proud Mrs Ahlner!

## Lost Property

### Items in lost property

Gold padlock  
Memory stick - blue  
Silver stud earring  
Pink watch (found in Sawyers Hall Lane)

Purple/Black PE top size 26/28”

Grey Becket Keys jumper size 30”

Green Millets cagoule age 7/8

All items in lost property at the end of term will be given away to good causes.



## House Cup

Won by

**Ainsley & Cockcroft**

Points were added up over the course of the year from the various inter-house competitions to decide who were the winners.

House captains (shown here) collected the award at our Speech & Awards Evening from Bishop Stephen Cottrell.



## Sports Day Results

Below is the results table for the recent sports day.

A huge congratulations to all the students who took part! It was a wonderful day of sporting endeavour.

We would also like to thank all the parents who came along to support us in the

sweltering heat and our PE staff who worked so hard to ensure the smooth running of the event.

The records shown here obviously become instant 'records'. We shall see whether next year's students can beat them!



### Congratulations

Winners: Ainsley & Cockcroft

## Becket Keys Sports Day Records

100m	200m	400m	800m	1500m	4x100m Relay
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Year 7	Boys	14.52s	28.81s	1.11m	2.47m	5.32m	1.00.44m
		T.Walker	B.Mead	A.Savage	B.Wood	W.Stroud	JA,MW,EB,TM
		2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013
	Girls	15.41s	32.49s	1.17m	3.27m	6.23m	1.05.04m
		U.Nze	C.Ransley	D.Benson	H.Bennett	C.Barker	CT,FD,LW,BP
		2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013

Shot	Discus	Javelin	Long Jump	Triple Jump	High Jump
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Year 7	Boys	6.72m	19.39m	16.9m	4.15m	8.72m	1.35m
		L.Payne	T.Walker	C.Evans	B.Wood	J.Agunsoye	S.Davidson
		2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013
	Girls	5.88m	13.85m	16.46m	3.41m	7.57m	1.15m
		C.Tait	U.Nze	K.Gunner	F.Deal	D.Benson	J.Saxon
		2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013

## Buying New Uniform?

Parents and carers should consult the school uniform page on the website before buying new items.

Items most likely to need checking:

**Shoes** (black, leather, lace ups - no boots or ballet pumps);

**Bags** (must be black with no large logos);

**Coats** (must be black with no large logos).

In response to parental requests, SmartyPants now sell a school coat.



**CHECK FIRST**

Parents should check the uniform list before buying!

## Summer Reads—Recommendations from Mrs Ahlner

Looking for a good read this summer? Check out some of these new books selected by Mrs Ahlner and her friend Chiara (from [BooksTeensAndMagazines.com](http://BooksTeensAndMagazines.com)) Let us know what you think!

**Bodyguard: Hostage by Chris Bradford** teenage bodyguards to protect teenage targets. Full of adventure and a great read. 11+

**The Bell Between Worlds by Ian Johnstone** - a fantasy adventure with intriguing characters and

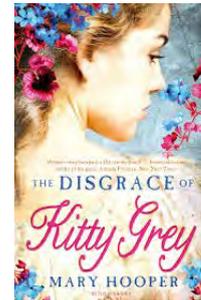
an interesting premise that our world is mirrored in another world where things are the same and yet also very different. 11+

**The Boy with Two Heads by Andy Mulligan** - what would happen if all the feeling you suppressed came out in the form of a second independent head? 11+

**The Disgrace of Kitty Grey by Mary Hooper** - England at the time of Mad King George, Newgate Prison, convicts being sent to Australia and Jane Austen. An

enjoyable adventure with interesting historical facts. 11+

**After Tomorrow by Gillian Cross** - England in a dystopian future with food shortages and high unemployment. Matthew's family ends up living in a refugee camp in France. A book to make you think. 12+



## Head Teacher's Challenge

All students should use the summer holiday to press on with either Stage 1 (Year 6) or Stage 2 (Year 7) of the Head Teacher's Challenge.

This challenge encapsulates what we are looking for in our students and those who choose to participate

in it are obviously at a distinct advantage over those who do not.

The challenge is not compulsory; however, it does lead to greater opportunities and responsibilities for students later on.

I would personally encourage everyone to do what they can. Both stages are easy to download from our website.



HTC

## More from Mr Fenn

Please make sure you exercise regularly over the summer holidays so that you return in September with a maintained or improved level of fitness. You will need to prepare yourself for the Becket Keys Cross Country which is a 2.2km run and aim to

beat your personal best time which you set last year.

If you have out grown your PE kit or lost/misplaced certain items, please make sure that you restock and have your **full** PE kit for the first lesson back. Make sure it is

labelled. There are still 2 pairs of jogging bottoms, 1 pair of shorts and a hoodie that are unlabelled and need picking up before the end of term.