



EXCITING NEW YEAR BEGINS

MR SCOTT-EVANS WRITES:

The new academic year has got off to a fantastic start at Becket Keys Church of England School with over 150 new students starting and nearly 20 new members of staff. There is a real sense of excitement and expectation.

We have begun the year focussing on ‘The Parable of the Sower’ and thinking about ‘growth’. This is a concept that, of course, our rapidly growing students are familiar with, but we are thinking more about spiritual and academic development. rather than physical growth.

The school building has also once again grown and developed with T&B finally leaving us and our newly refurbished buildings fully operational. Many parents will join us today at 3:30pm for a look round. Our new restaurant ‘The Orangery’ is attracting a lot of positive comments.

Next week, the ‘curriculum offer’ will grow further with clubs and societies starting in earnest. Parents should encourage their son/daughter to look at the various options as they start over the coming weeks and consider which ones they would like to try for the first time or continue with. There are many exciting options and as you know our expectation is that most students



STANDING TO SING TODAY

New Teachers

will stay until 4:30pm each day either studying or participating in a club.

New teachers who you may be hearing about include:

- Mrs Sally Trebess - Assistant Head
 - Mr Andrew McMillan - Head of RE
 - Mrs Rae Cherry - Senior Teacher DT
 - Mr David Braniff - Senior Teacher History
 - Miss Gemma Thomas - DT Teacher
 - Miss Shannon Smyth - English Teacher
 - Mr Rob London - Science Teacher
 - Mr Glyn Harries - Lead Drama Teacher
 - Mr Tom Thorpe - Learning Mentor
- Many other colleagues have joined us as either Learning

Support Technicians or Administrative/Site Support.

I am looking forward to the year ahead. We have got off to a marvellous start and I anticipate great things over the coming weeks and months.

Thank you for your prayers and many messages this week.

Andy Scott-Evans
Head Teacher

UNIFORM MATTERS

EARRINGS

Please make sure that if your daughter is planning on wearing earrings that she has plain gold and silver small studs to wear. She must also be able to remove the earrings easily for sporting activities.

MAKE UP

Make up is not allowed at Becket Keys except for older girls who may wear a small amount of concealer to cover blemishes.

We do ask girls to remove eye make up, nail varnish and lip gloss if we see it.

HAIR

Boys' hair must be short and smart. No extreme hairstyles.

Girls' long hair must be tied back with purple, black or neutral coloured bands. Becket Keys ribbons are available from reception for £3.50.

No students are allowed to dye their hair and we will insist on this including taking students to hairdressers, if necessary.

KILTS

We are sorry to hear that there is a supply issue at SmartyPants. It seems a large number of girls had grown and needed new longer skirts.

Skirts must be knee length and we will be checking that new

skirts are on order if your daughter is not wearing the correct uniform.

Please remember that girls are not allowed to wear trousers at Becket Keys.

TROUSERS

Boys' trousers must be charcoal grey like the ones sold by SmartyPants that we recommend. They must be tailored and not 'cargo style' or skinny jeans.

BAGS

Bags should be the SmartyPants Becket Keys branded ones or plain black, no colours and no large logos.

WHITEBOARD PENS

Students are expected to have their own whiteboard pen; we use mini-whiteboards a lot!

The school shop is open on Tuesdays and will sell stationery in the Bistro. Your son/daughter can purchase cost-price items in our shop.

BECKET BISTRO

CASHLESS CATERING

1. It is possible to set a limit on how much your son/daughter can spend each day. Please contact Mrs Nina Chapman if you would like to arrange this:
n.chapman@becketkeys.org
2. It takes 24 hours for a 'top up' to reach your son/daughter's account. Please keep an eye on the account. We cannot provide an 'over draft'!



NOTICES

SPANISH DICTIONARY

Our students need a Spanish Dictionary. Please make sure that you have one at home for them to refer to and/or a small pocket one that they can bring to school. See Mrs Norman for more details.

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Individual photographs will be taken on Tuesday 9th September during the morning. Please ensure your son/daughter looks smart!

These will be available for purchase soon.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT

For parents who need to find the DT drawing equipment the following links might be helpful:

Set Squares - £4.92 -

<http://tinyurl.com/setsquareBK>

French Curve - £3.00 -

<http://tinyurl.com/frenchcurveBK>

HELP REQUIRED

We are looking for some parent volunteers to help with art, design and textiles lessons.

We are very grateful to Mrs Bull who has been helping for the last year. We are now looking for some further assistance please.



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VACANCIES

CLEANERS WANTED

We are seeking TWO new cleaners to join our excellent team.

General School Cleaning
£6.50ph x 2.5 hours per day
Monday to Friday
15.30 to 18.00

39 week term time contract (plus 5 weeks deep clean during school holidays)

Looking for an immediate start

Contact Ben Bird for more details:

07880196605 Ben.Bird@churchillservices.com

Dates for your Diary

Today	Open School 3:30 to 4pm
8th Sept	Extra curricular clubs start
9th Sept	Individual student photos
16th Sept	Open Morning/Evening
24th Sept	Open Morning/Evening
2nd Oct	Open Morning/Evening

(Open Mornings/Evenings are for prospective parents to tour the school. Our existing students will be asked to volunteer as tour guides and assistants)

9th Oct	Year 7 Meet the Tutor Eve
16th Oct	Year 8 Theatre Trip (Warhorse)
22nd Oct	All Saints Tide Eucharists
27th-31st	All Saints Holiday
3rd Nov	Staff Training Day (no students)
4th Nov	Back to school

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