



Parents' Events Autumn 2021

Bedales is more than a school, it is a community and parents are central to that community.

Each term we plan a range of social events with the aim of bringing people together, making new connections and hopefully having fun whilst doing things of mutual interest. We hope you enjoy looking through the events that are on offer and hope see you at one or more of them.

Private Vineyard Tour and Wine Tasting at The Grange, Hampshire

Wednesday 8 September, 5.30–7.30pm

The Grange Estate has been in the Baring family for over 200 years. It is well-known for its iconic annual opera festival in a stunning neoclassical building set on sweeping lawns above a glittering lake. More recently however their wines have been making the headlines. Zam Baring and his three siblings (three Old Bedalians between them) have planted fifty two thousand vines in ten and a half hectares outside Itchen Abbas and are making award winning sparkling wine. Their very first wine, the 2014 PINK, was awarded 91 points and a Silver Medal in the 2019 International Wine Challenge and also won Silver in the 2019 Sommelier Wine Awards.



Join us as Zam takes us through the story of The Grange, Hampshire wines via a private tour of the vineyard, Burge's Field, followed by a bespoke wine tasting.

Cost: £20 (to include tour and wine tasting).

Private tour of Pallant House Gallery and two exhibitions – Ben Nicholson and Masterpieces in Miniature – followed by lunch

Monday 4 October, 10.30am–2pm



The Pallant House Gallery in Chichester is closed to the public on Mondays but we have kindly been offered an exclusive opportunity to join them for a behind the scenes tour of the house, its various galleries and two special exhibitions.

'Ben Nicholson – From the Studio' will be an intimate look at Ben Nicholson's everyday inspirations. Throughout his career, Ben Nicholson (1894–1982) transformed everyday objects in to extraordinary experiments in abstract art. The exhibition traces the personal influences on Nicholson's still life style, exploring his time with Winifred Nicholson, Barbara Hepworth as well as his encounters with other Modernist greats, Pablo Picasso and Piet Mondrian.

The Masterpieces in Miniature exhibition includes more than 80 original, miniature, works of art. With work by artists from Vanessa Bell, Richard Hamilton to new pieces by Rachel Whitehead, Grayson Perry, Edmund de Waal, Damien Hirst and Tacita Dean the exhibition is a time capsule of 80 years of British art.

The gallery tour will end with a light lunch in Pallant House's restaurant.

Cost: £20 (to include private tour and lunch).

Autumn Yoga and Wellbeing Retreat

Friday 8 October, 9.30am–4pm

Join Ben Mellon for a day of power yoga movement and sound bath meditation, carefully paired with a wholesome and delicious plant based lunch, desserts and snacks created by local artisan suppliers. The one day retreat set in the beautiful Hampshire countryside, a short drive from Bedales, is designed to be uplifting and balancing, leaving you feeling energised and recharged (and ready for half term!). All ability levels are welcome.

The day will be held at the lovely 'Cow Shed' at Barrow Hill Barns in Ramsdean, a ten minute drive from school. Ben will start the day with a gentle yoga stretch class and, after some light refreshments, he will lead us through an energising and strengthening Vinyasa Flow yoga class.

After lunch we will get the blood circulating with a walk through the Hampshire countryside to clear the mind before returning for a final yoga stretch and a sound bath meditation class. A chance to restore and replenish the body and mind.

Cost: £105



Modern Calligraphy Workshop, Birdham near Chichester

Friday 5 November, 10am–4pm



The Modern Calligraphy Company is kindly putting on a bespoke event for us at their centre in Birdham, where we will learn how to create beautiful lettering in a relaxed and enjoyable full day workshop. There are lots of different ways of creating beautiful modern calligraphy and sometimes knowing where to start can be tricky. This full day taster workshop will give you a chance to try your hand at both pointed nib and brush pen calligraphy using a range of types and colours so you can see which you enjoy the most.

We will be creating letter-forms, using colour, metallics, and designing layouts for greeting cards, party invitations and your own artwork. All the worksheets and templates are yours to keep.

Cost: £90 (to include all materials, drinks, snacks and a light lunch).

Block 5 Parents' Supper in the Dining Room

Sunday 7 November, 7pm



Magnus and Camilla would like to invite all parents of Block 5 students to supper on Sunday 7 November, 7pm in the Bedales dining room. This 'all year group' supper is being held on a Sunday night in the hope that we can entice as many of you as possible to come along – perhaps those of you with boarders might decide to drive your children back to school that evening.

It would be lovely if you can join us: it will be a good opportunity to meet the parents of your children's friends and, if previous parents' suppers are anything to go by, it promises to be a fun evening.

There is no cost for this event.

Parents' Christmas Supper, The Polish Club, London SW7 2PN

Thursday 9 December, 7pm

It's back! After the success of previous Christmas suppers at the Polish Club, we are returning for a very special evening to which parents from all three Bedales schools are warmly invited. The Ballroom of the Polish Club will provide a wonderful backdrop whilst you enjoy an evening of delicious food, wine and friendships (new and old).

The evening will start with cocktails from 7pm followed by a delicious three course dinner.

Cost: £65 (to include drinks and supper).



Please reserve your place early to avoid disappointment.

To book your place on an event please visit
bedales.org.uk/parents/parents-events