

## Saturday Bulletin

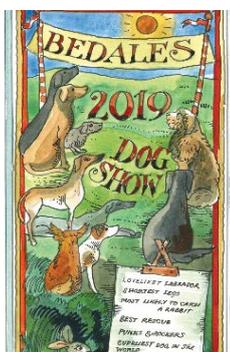
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### Bedales Dog Show & Fête – invitation for parents



We're busy making the final preparations for our annual Dog Show and Fête, which is set to take place on Saturday 11 May. Everyone is warmly invited to come along from 12.30-4pm – with or without dog! Classes confirmed this year include Loveliest Labrador, Shortest Legs, Most Likely to Catch a Rabbit, Best Rescue, Cuddliest Dog in the World, Most Magnificent Mongrel, and there's even an opportunity to dress your dog up for the Punks and Rockers class. An obstacle course, 11-legged race and a 'Retrieve the Sausage' competition will also keep dogs and their families entertained throughout the afternoon. Those without a dog needn't miss out on the fun, as there will be live music, BBQ, bar, tea tent, bouncy castle, water fight zone and coconut shy, as well as many other games and activities for all ages. All proceeds from the day will go towards the [John Badley Foundation](#) – admission is £2 for adults and £2 per dog class (children free). It's all on the Dunhurst pitches, so please enter the site through the Dunhurst entrance on Alton Road. Timings for the day are available [here](#).

### Silver DofE Expedition to the New Forest



By Julia Bevan, Teacher of English

The Silver Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) Practice Expedition, held over three days in the New Forest last weekend, was the perfect place for Block 4 participants to learn how to navigate properly, some for the first time. The challenges of the forest – paths are not clearly sign posted and blend into other paths or trail off into thick undergrowth or fenced enclosures – meant that groups quickly learnt the importance of the compass and trying to keep to a bearing. On day 1, each group walked with a member of staff, who expounded navigation knowledge and important aspects of the country code that cannot be gleaned in the classroom. Group 5 walked with Harrison and felt inspired to write a song about their day: he has a shout out in the song. The tail end of Storm Hannah meant that strong winds made putting up tents extremely challenging on Friday night; groups learnt quickly the value in pegging down the tent before putting in the poles. This stops the tent turning into an aerodynamic kite that might fly away! Group 2 piled into tents after dark, to play cards, keep warm and wonder who might blow away. Thankfully, no one did. [Read more...](#)

### Last few places for Parents' Events



By Camilla Bashaarat

Following a fantastic backstage tour of the Royal Opera House this week, there are just two remaining Parents' Events this term. On Thursday 13 June, please join us at the Polish Club for a bespoke [Vodka Cocktail Mixology Class and Dinner](#), from 7.30pm. This evening promises to be great fun as we learn some of the secrets behind the Club's legendary cocktail list, sampling their new Kavka vodka. This will be followed by a relaxed dinner laid on by the Polish Club's fantastic Ognisko Restaurant. Price: £60 per person – please book [here](#). There are also a few spaces left on our [Wild Garlic Pesto, Foraging and Pizza Evening](#), on 17 May from 5-9pm. We will go up to the Poet's Stone in The Hangers, Steep, to pick wild garlic and enjoy some of the best views over the South Downs. Returning to the Bedales Outdoor Work Bakehouse, students will teach us how to make our own wild garlic pesto and cook us delicious pizzas in the Pizza Shed to enjoy over a relaxed al fresco supper. Price: £14 per person – book [here](#). A date for your diary: we return to the Polish Club for our Bedales Parents Christmas Supper on 28 November.

### Careers update – Apprenticeships

## By Cheryl Osborne, Teacher of Biology and Careers Advisor

It was lovely to meet some of 6.1 parents last Saturday at the Higher Education morning. One of my roles within the Professional Guidance team is supporting Bedalians who may be interested in applying for a degree apprenticeship. With that in mind I thought it would be useful to provide regular information via the [Amazing Apprenticeships website](#). Amazing Apprenticeships is the approved communication channel, commissioned by the National Apprenticeship Service, to support the Apprenticeship Support & Knowledge for Schools project. You can sign up for their regular Parents' Information pack on the Amazing Apprenticeships website, but I will also provide links as part of a monthly careers update in the Saturday Bulletin. You can view the March edition [here](#), and the April edition [here](#).

## Eckersley Lecture 14 May – reminder to book tickets



### By Emily Seeber, Head of Sciences

As 2019 is the International Year of the Periodic Table, it is quite fitting that the Eckersley Lecture – which takes place on Tuesday 14 May at 7.30pm in the Bedales Theatre – this year is all about the History of the Periodic Table. The speaker is Dr Peter Wothers, a Teaching Fellow in Chemistry at the University of Cambridge and Director of Studies in Chemistry at St Catharine's College. A fantastically engaging speaker, Peter has a keen interest in the history of chemistry and has amassed a significant collection of early works on the subject, and so is undoubtedly the right person to further our understanding of the most iconic image in science. Watch Peter in action at a lecture at the Royal Institution [here](#), [here](#) and [here](#). Tickets for the Eckersley Lecture are free, and if you would like to come, please book via the Bedales Events website [here](#).

## Genetics talk for final Biology lecture of the year

### By Richard Sinclair, Head of Biology

Last Wednesday evening, the final Biology Society Lecture of the year was given by Sarah Ennis, Professor of Genomics at the University of Southampton's Faculty of Medicine. This was a remarkable talk during which Sarah described the history of genomics and then went into great detail on how it is currently used to 'solve' medical cases in an almost miraculous manner. The potential of genomics is starting to be realised and its capacity to help identify and treat illnesses could one day save a great deal of suffering, as well as NHS money. At the moment the UK is a world leader in this field and we are very grateful to Professor Ennis for taking the time to come and deliver such an interesting and stimulating talk.

## Our house is on fire



### By Paul Turner, Head of Geography

Our house is on fire and Extinction Rebellion is the fire alarm warning us of climate and ecological breakdown. On 24 April, I gave a Jaw about the inspiring and emotional experience of taking my family to participate in the week of International Rebellion. Across 80 countries, citizens took part in non-violent direct action, which in London saw the arrest of over 1000 people and the blocking of five sites. It was a challenge to explain to a three-year-old why people were being carried away and arrested and who the 'good guys' were. Waterloo Bridge was turned into a garden bridge covered in plants and trees and the experience as a whole was deeply uplifting and reinvigorating. Over the days I bumped into many students, parents and Old Bedalians who also felt they'd reached a point where they could no longer stand by and not act against government inaction on climate change.

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## Bedales blog – Challenging Government thinking

Cognitive load theory (CLT) has been hailed as 'the single most important thing teachers should know'. In an article for TES, Alistair McConville, Director of Learning & Innovation asks whether it translates to the classroom in a way that benefits teachers and students, and urges caution. CLT, which focuses on working-memory capacity and how we learn, originated from the work of John Sweller in the 1980s, although it has only risen to prominence in recent years. Alistair explains: "CLT reminds us of the central significance of working memory in the learning process; it emphasises working memory's limited capacity; it instructs us that if we overload working memory by trying to hold more in mind than we have capacity for, some information will fall out; and, if that happens, this information cannot make the crucial journey into the infinite recesses of long-term memory, where it can dwell eternally. So, as teachers, we need to bear in mind the 'load' on working memory when we design our learning activities." [Read more...](#)

## Sports update: Positive cricket matches

**By Christopher Grocock, Head of Classics** – *Second XI Cricket v Churcher's College* – Depleted sides from both Bedales and Churcher's saw a match develop steadily into a close finish. Bedales got off to a slow start, losing wickets and not posting many runs, until Anthony White and Oscar Amis steadied the ship. There were some unfortunate dismissals, but runs began to accumulate and the arrival at the wicket of Hugo Napier-Munn saw this accelerate. Our final total of 131 was quite respectable in some circumstances. Skilled openers from Churcher's presented a challenge. Some early-season bowling was wayward, but there was also some tight bowling – again, Oscar, Hugo and Anthony,

joined by Claude Barker, pinned them back in middle overs. Several dropped catches (it was cold!) didn't help the wickets side. Only one fell, but after scoring at ten an over for the first eight overs, Churcher's took until 17.9 to get their winning total. It was closer than it might look on paper, and the Bedales lads have a lot of positives to take away.

**By David Man, Teacher of Chemistry – Boys' U15A Cricket v King Edward's Witley** – The junior A team travelled to King Edward's Witley (KES) for a T20 match on Wednesday and were put into bat by the opposition. Jamie King played some excellent shots, hitting the ball to all parts of the ground, and was ably supported by captain Patrick Bell and Paddy Arrowsmith. Despite losing some late wickets, the team finished on 105 for seven wickets, which looked like a decent score at tea. Archie Featherstone and Connor O'Donahue opened the bowling, and with Patrick setting some good fields, the opposition struggled. The bowlers hit the wickets with regularity and the first five batters were bowled as the score reached 35-5 off seven overs. KES then staged a mini comeback, scoring some quick runs before Zach Stewart bowled some accurate overs of spin and Patrick Bell took three quick wickets to give Bedales the advantage again. With around a run a ball needed for the last four overs and two wickets left, the game was in the balance, but Archie and Connor continued to bowl straight at the stumps, limiting the scoring. Eventually, with a run-out off the last ball, Bedales took the victory by five runs.

**By Kevin Boniface, Head of Hockey – Boys' U15B Cricket v King Edward's Witley** – On Wednesday, our junior B side travelled away to KES. The Bedales side opted to field first, and on the whole, bowled good lines, the standout bowler being captain Archie Tier. He was supported well by Jamie Louden and Archie Featherstone. At the end of their 20 overs, KES had scored 174. This was always going to be a tough total to chase down, and facing a talented bowling line-up, the Bedales side was never really in contention. A good stand between Jamie Louden and Ed Cobb gave Bedales some batting credibility, and despite the loss, the team was upbeat and keen to look to develop as they move into next week with two fixtures lined up.



**By Chloe Nicklin, Head of Netball – Girls' U14 Football v Ash Manor School** – This was Block 3's first football fixture of the season. Without any previous training, and some players completely new to football, they took to the Steephurst pitch to play against a strong and experienced Ash Manor side. Possession in the first half was mainly dominated by Ash Manor, but a strong defensive performance from goalkeeper Romily White and defenders Zoe Lobbenberg, Katie Mansbridge and Maya Cressman kept the score 0-0 at half time. For the second half, Romily and Lally Arengo-Jones swapped positions, seeing Lally make her goalkeeping debut. After five minutes Bedales were up 2-0, both goals being scored by Romily. Unfortunately, this was short lived, with the opposition fighting back and winning the game 4-3. Kamaya Nelson-Clayton scored the third goal for Bedales and was named most valuable player by Ash Manor. Great performances seen throughout, but a special mention to Mary Whitley, who played with such determination and grit, and often out of position, to assist her teammates.

### **Train times for boarders**

Saturday 4 May – leave Petersfield 13.48 (next train 14.16), arriving Waterloo at 14.57 (15.27)

Monday 6 May – leave Waterloo 19.30, arriving Petersfield 20.32

### **Coming up**

Term dates are on the school website [here](#).

#### **For parents / students**

4 May, FoBs Meeting, Reading Room, 10.30am

4 May, May Bank Holiday Leave Weekend begins

6 May, Boarders return, 6pm

18 May, BPA Meeting, Reading Room, 10.30am

24 May, Half term begins, 5.30pm

**Bedales Events:** Book tickets via the links on the [website](#) (fee free) or call the Box Office on 0333 666 3366 (booking fee applies). To set up the ability to place tickets directly on the school bill, please email our Front of House Lead, Amanda on [abrewer@bedales.org.uk](mailto:abrewer@bedales.org.uk)

4 May, [Woodland Tales with Granddad](#), Theatre

8 May, [Music Scholars' Concert](#), Lupton Hall

11 May, [Bedales Dog Show and Fete](#)

12 May, [Youth Dance Platform](#), Theatre

14 May, [Eckersley Lecture](#), Theatre

16-17 May, [Dunhurst Rock Show](#), Theatre

17 May, Parents' Event: [Wild Garlic Pesto, Foraging and Pizza Evening](#)

21-22 May, [6.1 Theatre Studies Shows](#), Theatre

23 May, [Exhibitioner Concert](#), Lupton Hall

13 June, Parents' Event: [Vodka Cocktail Mixology Class and Dinner](#)

### For students

8 May, Block 4 English BAC trip to the Almeida Theatre

9 May, Open Mic Night, Lupton Hall

13 May-27 Jun, External exams

16 May, 6.1 Art trip to Roche Court

18 May, Bedales Sports Day

18-19 May, 6.1 Drama Examination All-in Weekend

### Sport (parents welcome)

Reminder that parents are very welcome to come and support teams: tea will be served to parents in the Dining Hall after matches.

Date	Time	Fixture	Home / Away
Tue 7 May	2.15pm	Girls' U15/U14 Tennis v Perins	H
Tue 7 May	2.30pm	Boys' 1st XI Cricket v Frensham Heights	A
Wed 8 May	2.15pm	Boys' 1st XI Cricket v Hampshire Collegiate School	A
Wed 8 May	2.30pm	Girls' U18 Tennis v Lord Wandsworth College	A
Wed 8 May	2.30pm	Boys' U18 Tennis v Lord Wandsworth College	A
Wed 8 May	2.30pm	Boys' U15B/U14A Cricket v Box Hill School	A
Wed 8 May	4.15pm	Boys' U15A Cricket v Churcher's College	A
Wed 8 May	4.30pm	Girls' U15/U14 Tennis v St Swithun's	A

### Notes

**Absence:** Please send requests for planned absences for routine matters to house staff, and requests for overnight absence to Louise Wilson, Senior Deputy, ([lwilson@bedales.org.uk](mailto:lwilson@bedales.org.uk)). For on-the-day absence of day students, please email [bedalesabsence@bedales.org.uk](mailto:bedalesabsence@bedales.org.uk). Thank you for your assistance.

**Peripatetic Music Teachers:** For those who wish to contact the instrumental and vocal music teachers, a contact list is now available on the Parent Portal, [here](#). When emailing a peripatetic music teacher, please copy in the department administrator, Cathy Knowles ([cknowles@bedales.org.uk](mailto:cknowles@bedales.org.uk)) so she can ensure your message is read, logged and we can respond quickly.

**Gentlemen of Bedales Cricket Club:** This Sunday 5 May, Gentlemen of Bedales Cricket Club (GoBCC) host Droxford CC at Bedales, meeting at 1pm for a 1.30pm start. On Sunday 12 May, GoBCC host West Meon CC at Bedales, with a 2pm start. Find full details of fixtures, results, score books and the latest news [here](#).

**Events on Saturday 11 May:** On Saturday 11 May, there are numerous events across the three schools (which we hope you will attend) and so we are making more parking space available. Before 1.30pm, please can all parents attending the Dunannie Family Morning and the Bedales Dog Show use the Dunannie car park and the additional parking on the Dunhurst and Dunannie pitches (which can be accessed via the Dunannie car park).

Yours,



Magnus Bashaarat

### Head of Bedales

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