

# HOME GROWN

## Shows from the heart of Bedales

“Bedales gave one the opportunity to dream dreams and the stimulus to want to make the dreams come true” – Peter Eckersley

Jack Offord



All home grown events are free of charge  
and all timings in this section are indications only



# Blood, Bread & Bone

Thu 17 – Fri 18 Jan, 19.30

& Sat 19 Jan, 14.30

Theatre

St Petersburg, October 1917, the eve of the Bolshevik Revolution. Orphaned Kolya and Katusha run with the *besprizorniki*, the abandoned children of the city. Employed by rival revolutionaries to carry secret messages across the capital, the street kids are soon caught in the crossfire when the fighting starts. To escape the conflict, Kolya and his friends flee to the countryside where they encounter princesses, war veterans, woodcutters, and a witch called Baba Yaga. It is the story of survival amid great social turmoil: a story of blood, bread and bone.



## Music Scholars

Wed 23 Jan, 19:30-20:30

Lupton Hall

An opportunity to hear some solo and small ensemble items in a concert given by our talented music scholars in the beautifully crafted surroundings of the Lupton Hall. Refreshments are served before and after the concert, which is performed without an interval.

**“The performances were almost flawless and the pupils performed passionately and intuitively, well done to you and all involved.”**

– Bedales Parent



## MUSIC

# Solo and Blocks Concert

Wed 27 Feb, 19:30-20:30

Lupton Hall

An opportunity to hear a wider number of young musicians performing. Music will include solos and small ensembles and it will also be an opportunity to hear work in preparation for BAC and GCSE recitals.

## DANCE

# Bedales Dance Performs

Wed 06 Mar, 19:30-20:30

Theatre

Students from Block 3 to 6.2 have been working extremely hard since September, choreographing, rehearsing and now performing. During the course of the evening they will showcase a variety of both examination pieces and works choreographed for the passion of creativity. The range of pieces stem from an eclectic range of stimuli including professional choreographic styles and concepts and ideas derived from both the exam boards and the students. The students' passion and commitment to dance has resulted in this impressive evening of variety, skill and originality.

# Spring Concert

Wed 13 Mar, 19:30-20:30

Lupton Hall

Bedales has an impressive array of musical ensembles and this is a fine chance to hear their musical progress. This is an opportunity to hear music from the school orchestra and other chamber ensembles. Refreshments are served during the interval.

**“This year’s Spring Concert was simply magical. The Orchestra’s rendition of Sibelius’ Finlandia was breathtaking and the choir and soloists sounded radiant in Durante’s Magnificat, much helped by the support of a professional string orchestra.”**

— Old Bedalian Visitor to Last Year’s Concert



## Exhibitioner Concert

Tue 19 Mar, 19:30-20:30

Lupton Hall

The concert gives some of our younger musicians a chance to shine and show their progress. Refreshments are served before and after the concert, which is usually performed without an interval.

## BAC Theatre Arts Scripted Performances

Wed 20 – Thu 21 Mar, 19:30-21:00

Theatre

Praise for the Bedales Assessed Course Scripted Shows last year:  
**“The two performances could not have been more different, delivering a range of different emotions and atmospheres. Oliver Lansley’s ‘Ernest and the Pale Moon’ in the genre of horror and Samuel Beckett’s ‘Waiting for Godot’ performed by a cast of 17. Both casts should be proud of their performances”**

– Megi Ward, Drama Don (student subject lead) 2018, writing for the school’s ‘Saturday Bulletin’



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## Blocks 1 to 4 Show Stop for a Minute

Fri 22 Mar, 19:30-20:30

Lupton Hall

This is a brand new project. A chance for students of different ages (Blocks 1 to 4) to learn from one another and have fun doing it. A unique piece displaying a variety of talent.

## Student Directed Shows

Wed 27 – Thu 28 Mar, 19:30-20:30

Theatre

Praise for last year's shows:

**"It is such a pleasure to watch students direct their peers in well-known or original pieces of work. This year's selection showcased five directors leading four casts in: Jim Cartwright's *Two*, an original spin on *Cinderella* and two student written political plays of incredible maturity and insight which asked us to reflect on migration and the events of Tiananmen Square. What an array of originality and talent."**

– Hayley Ager, Head of Drama, Bedales

## 6.2 Theatre Studies Devised Shows

Tue 30 Apr – Wed 01 May, 19:30-21:00

Theatre

Praise for last year's shows:

**"The strong thread running through these arresting pieces is the complexity of human relationships."**

– Keith Budge, Bedales Headmaster 2001-2018

**"The devised work was original, creative and often outstanding in both its content and delivery. The range of skills, techniques and conventions explored was impressive... It was an absolute joy to examine the work for this component."**

– Eduqas (A level exam board) Examiner, 2018



# Music Scholar Concert

Wed 08 May, 19:30-20:30

Lupton Hall

The final Music Scholar concert of the academic year will include excerpts of our 6th form Pre U recitals and also solos from our younger scholars, who will take more of a lead as their older peers prepare for academic exams.

“Thank you so much for tonight’s concert. I just had to write and say that not only was the standard impressive, even more gorgeous was the delightful camaraderie I saw between your scholars. They performed beautifully then would act as ‘roadies’ for the next. Kind and generous and completely embodying the Bedalian spirit. Fabulous!”

– Block 4 Parent

# 6.1 Theatre Studies Shows (Part Scripted and Part Devised)

Tue 21 – Wed 22 May, 19:30-21:00

Theatre

“The performances were focused, creative and demonstrated sophisticated skills. The selection of texts and application of practitioner/company was excellent and the candidates responded with gusto and an impressive performance attack.”

– Eduqas (A level exam board) report on last year's shows



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# Exhibitioner Concert

Thu 23 May, 19:30-20:30

Lupton Hall

Our younger musicians will perform a variety of works they have learned throughout the year. There will be a lovely mix of styles from classical to jazz and pop, as well as some original compositions.

**"Thank-you for making my daughter feel so comfortable in her first term and for supporting her in her first Bedales solo performance. She came home buzzing and looking forward to the next occasion."**

– A parent of a new pupil.

