

Saturday Bulletin

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Learning radio and podcasting skills



Bedales students were joined by pupils from The Petersfield School (TPS), Churcher's College and Ditcham Park on Wednesday as they brushed up on their audio and media literacy skills at Petersfield Community Radio's School Audio Day hosted by Bedales. Led by award-winning multimedia journalist Jonathan Richards, creative audio producer James Stodd and media executive and [Petersfield Community Radio](#) co-founder Stephen Martin, the event brought together pupils from the project's partnership schools for a hands-on introduction to producing content for radio. After a welcome from Stephen and a video introduction from another of the Petersfield Community Radio project co-founders, ITV's Richard Gaisford, the day kicked off with a look at the different styles of reports created for news bulletins on a range of radio stations – from BBC Radio 1's Newsbeat, to BBC Radio 4 and BBC Five Live. [Read more...](#)

Fighting inequality



By Paul Turner, Head of Geography

Continuing the work of John Badley, Bedales hosted the first Equality Student Conference in conjunction with the Equality Trust and Resolution Foundation, with pairs of students from 13 state and independent schools across the south of England attending. The purpose of the day was to develop students' knowledge of the deep levels of inequality in the UK and empower them to return to their schools and challenge the status quo. At the end of the day, students were awarded certificates acknowledging them as 'Equality Ambassadors'. Having started the students on a journey, we plan to keep the conversation going and will continue fighting inequality.

Around the World in 80 Days – reminder



By Georgie Nugent, Acting Head of Drama

If you haven't booked tickets for this year's lower school production, *Around the World in 80 Days*, you'll need to be quick! The Parents' Day performance has now sold out, but tickets are still available for performances on 1 and 2 July, both at 7.30pm (book tickets [here](#)). Don't miss your opportunity to see Block 3 and 4 students performing Laura Eason's celebrated adaptation of Jules Verne's classic novel, which was produced by the New Vic Theatre and Manchester Royal Exchange in 2015, and follow the story of the mysterious and fabulously wealthy Phileas Fogg, who wagers his life's fortune that he can circumnavigate the globe in just 80 days. On Thursday, children at Dunannie were lucky enough to watch the dress rehearsal. An audience described the show as "wonderful story telling", and another said: "the best bit was the tap dancers... oh, or the amazing storm dance... no, the funny French men, I mean, the crazy circus scene!"

Claire Moriarty visits Bedales

By Jonathan Selby, Head of Government & Politics

On 21 June, Politics students were fortunate enough to have an address from [Claire Moriarty](#), Permanent Secretary of the Government's newest department; the Department for Exiting the European Union (DExEU). During her visit, she spoke about her journey through the Civil Service to the top. Before DExEU, she was Permanent Secretary for the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) under Michael Gove. She got into the Civil Service having studied Maths at Oxford – a point of particular interest to the students judging by the some of the questions. Clare spoke with an admirable clarity and command of her brief, explaining how the Government really works, the role of the Civil Service and the complex issues surrounding Brexit. She spoke knowledgeably about the many key

politicians she has worked with and she was diplomatic about the Conservative leadership battle between Boris Johnson and Jeremy Hunt. It was reassuring to hear her forensic analysis of the whole issue and to think that she would be the person advising the Government, in her calm way and with the gentle humour she showed in answer to many of the questions posed to her at Bedales. She engaged the audience fully from start to finish, and the Q&A period had to be cut short. The students asked very good questions – a sure sign that she had got them to think. It was a very good evening and we are most grateful that Clare was able to find the time to visit us at an extraordinarily busy time for her.

Visit by Bohunt Student Librarians



By Jane Kirby, Librarian and Archivist

On Thursday, Ian and I were very pleased to host a visit to the Library for the student librarians from Bohunt School. After lunch in the Dining Hall they enthusiastically explored the Library, asking lots of pertinent questions. They soon overcame any inhibitions and addressed us by our first names. After a short talk about the history of the Library, they leafed through the books we'd selected that related to their Houses (named for literary or historical figures with local connections). A question about the large book press led to a brief introduction to book binding from Ian, which I think sparked the desire in many of them to bind their own notebooks. They were already familiar with the Dewey Decimal System so had little difficulty locating books in an exercise exploring our shelves. Ian also introduced them to some of our more precious holdings from the locked bookcase.

Cycling and running for the JBF – parent and student runners needed

Great South Run – We invite parents and students to join the Bedales Great South Run team on 19/20 October 2019 in Portsmouth. Adults are invited to run either 5 km or 10 miles in one of the UK's most popular road races with 20,000+ runners expected. All standards are welcome from beginner to speedy, and all ages from 3 upwards in the junior races, and you can even run with your dog. We are delighted to announce sponsorship by the [Country House Company](#), and we will be supporting the JBF and an additional charity to be agreed by the runners. See the Great South Run [website](#) for more information, and please let Rob Reynolds know if you are interested in joining in (rreynolds@bedales.org.uk).

Sponsor 6.2s cycling from Land's End to John O'Groats – Two intrepid 6.2s, Loet Brouwer and Cian Watson, are cycling 1,000 miles unsupported from Land's End to John O'Groats in July in aid of the JBF. They are keen to show appreciation for their time at Bedales and to help others have such an educational opportunity. Please support their fantastic effort by sponsoring [here](#) – and thanks to online fundraising platform Pledgit, set up by Old Bedalian Billy Jenks and his father Philip, the first £300 raised will be matched.

Autumn 2019 Parents' Events – book now



By Camilla Bashaarat

Next year's social events for parents are now ready to book. We hope that there will be something here that will tempt you to come along, whether it will be the private vineyard tour and wine tasting at The Grange, Hampshire, a private screening of the enchanting *Romantic Road* with Rupert and Jan Grey, the return of the fabulous Christmas Supper at The Polish Club, or a Christmas wreath workshop with Hector at the Fox. Please do look at what we have in store for you next term on our Upcoming Parents' Events page [here](#), and book your place by emailing parents@bedales.org.uk.

Bedales blog – The Bedales Chair



By Hugo Burge, Old Bedalian 1985-1990

It was a very special experience to return to Bedales and celebrate the history of the Bedales chair – giving a Jaw to students and other guests, showing our film *The Chairmaker* and taking questions. After all, this is where my curiosity (and I confess a slight obsession) with rush seat chairs all began. Sitting in those chairs, in that majestic library and under the spell of the wonderful David Butcher (staff 1963-92), wood, design and the Arts and Crafts movement got under my skin and started an unexpected journey. So, what is the history of these chairs? And why have we made a film that we brought to show everyone in the Lupton Hall? What does the chair symbolise when thinking about broader questions of design, longevity and sustainability? [Read more...](#)

There is an opportunity to bid for a specially commissioned Library Chair in the John Badley Foundation fundraising auction. See [here](#) to browse the auction lots – with new items added.

Sports update:

By Kevin Boniface, Head of Hockey – *Boys' First XI Cricket v John Lyon School* – On Wednesday the boys' cricket team played host to John Lyon School. Bedales elected to bat first but got off to a poor start, losing two wickets in the opening two balls! Tight bowling lines, some inconsistent movement off the pitch and some poor shot selection were big contributors to Bedales losing wickets on a regular basis. However, Captain Zach Stewart produced his best batting performance to date. Playing with intelligence and poise, Zach scored 33 not out, a score which undervalues his true

performance, as a slightly more forgiving outfield would have meant he got true value for his shots and easily doubled his score. Bedales finished with a score of 84 from their allotted 20 overs. Usually a well below par target, the team knew it wasn't an easy pitch to score runs on, so took the field with confidence that they could still get a result. Once again it was Zach who led the way, taking two early wickets in his first over. He was ably supported at the other end by Josh Baty, who bowled with aggression and attacking lines. A steadying of the ship from the John Lyon middle order, combined with a heavy dose of extras, ensured victory for the away side, with four overs to spare. An excellent game enjoyed in the sunshine on the Mem Pitch.

By David Mann, Teacher of Chemistry – Boys' U15B Cricket v The Royal School – The U15B team played against The Royal School in a quick-fire 12 over match in beautiful conditions at Bedales. Put into bat, the Bedales team found run scoring difficult against a slow attack, but Hugo Napier-Munn and Zac Prior helped the home team along to 74-6 at the end of the innings. Patrick Bell and Archie Featherstone opened the bowling and kept things tight by bowling accurately at the stumps, and some sharp fielding saw wickets fall at regular intervals. A superb diving catch from Josh Baty saw a danger batsman removed before he duly came on to bowl out the last two wickets in the tenth over and see Bedales to victory after bowling the opposition out for 41. A great effort from all involved.



By Chloe Nicklin, Head of Netball – Girls' U15B Rounders v Portsmouth Grammar School – A mixed team of Block 3 and 4 students played against Portsmouth Grammar School (PGS)'s U15B team. The team gelled well together, quickly winning the first innings 10.5 – 1.5. This was due to a really strong fielding performance from all members of the team, getting all PGS players out after 21 balls. The second innings showed a similar result, with Bedales winning the innings 9 – 4.5, again getting all of the opposition out after 22 balls. The final result was 19.5 – 6 to Bedales. The Most Valuable Players selected by the opposition were Lally Arengo-Jones for her batting performance, gaining five rounders for the team, and Roxy Colotto for her brilliant performance at first base. A special mention to Ava for her brilliant running catch in the first innings and Coco Witheridge, who I have selected as Coach's Player of the Match for her brilliant low one-handed catch in the second innings, as well as scoring three and a half rounders for the team.

Train times for boarders

Sunday 30 June – leave Waterloo 19.30, arriving Petersfield 20.40

Coming up

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

For parents / students

29 June, [Parents' Day](#)

1 July, Sixth Form Induction Week

5 July, End of Summer Term, around 2pm

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

29 June, [Parents' Day Concert](#), Lupton Hall, 11am

29 June-2 July, [Bedales Summer Production](#), Theatre, 2pm (sold out Saturday, sorry)

10-12 July, As part of our ongoing education partnership, we are delighted to host Bohunt School's production of [Beauty and the Beast](#) in the Bedales Theatre

12-28 July, [Petersfield Shakespeare Festival](#)

21-24 August, [Stansted Players' 29th Annual Production](#), Theatre

19 September, [HOTTER](#) and [The Privileged](#), Theatre

19 September, Parents' Event: [Private Vineyard Tour & Wine Tasting](#) at The Grange, Hampshire

17 September, Visiting Poet: [Julia Copus](#), Theatre

20 September, [Marika Hackman](#), Theatre

26 September, [Nick Cassenbaum](#): My Kind of Michael, Theatre

28 September, [Tales from the Trees](#), Theatre

6 October, Parents' Event: [Block 5 Parents' Supper](#), Dining Room

18 October, Parents' Event: [Private Screening of Romantic Road](#), Lupton Hall

28 November, Parents' Event: [Christmas Supper](#) at The Polish Club, London

6 December, [Christmas Wreath Workshop](#) with Hector at the Fox, Stedham

For students

2 July, ABRSM exams

3 July, JFP (Jazz, Folk, Poetry) & BBQ, Sotherington Barn

3 July, Block 5 Ball

4 July, 6.1 Product Design trip to New Designers Exhibition, London

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 2 Jul	1.00pm	Girls' U15A/U14A Rounders Tournament at Ditcham Park	A
Thu 12 Sep	2.30pm	Boys' 1st XI Football v Marlborough College	H
Tue 17 Sep	2.15pm	Boys' U14/U15 Football v Frensham Heights	A
Tue 24 Sep	2.15pm	Boys' U14/U15 Football v St Edmunds	H
Wed 2 Oct	2.15pm	Boys' 2nd XI Football v Salesian College	A
Wed 2 Oct	2.15pm	Boys' 1st XI Football v Salesian College	H
Thu 3 Oct	2.15pm	Boys' U15 Football (ISFA Cup) v Hereford Cathedral School	H

Notes

Absence: Please send requests for absences to house staff. For on-the-day absence of day students, please email bedalesabsence@bedales.org.uk. Thank you for your assistance.

Ski trip to Banff: The deadline to register for the ski trip to Banff, Canada, is fast approaching! As you may know, we plan to visit the Canadian resort for the annual skiing and snowboarding trip during the Easter holiday 2020. The ski towns of Banff and Lake Louise are home to the distinctive mountain resorts of Mount Norquay, the Lake Louise Ski Resort and Sunshine Village. The three resorts boast nearly 8,000 acres of skiing, two gondolas, 26 chairlifts and 30 feet of feather-light, dry Canadian Rockies powder annually! There are 24 places available for students and we will need to fill all 24 for the trip to go ahead – if not, we will revert to a European destination. If you are interested in your child going to Banff, please let us know by the deadline on Friday 5 July. Full details of the trip (including the forms to be completed and returned by the deadline) can be found on Firefly, [here](#).

Yours,



Magnus Bashaarat

Head of Bedales

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