



Tai O'Donnell

We would like to dedicate this edition to a former student who recently passed away, a much loved and valued Beckmead student. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this devastating time.

"This stunning piece of art showcases Tai's talent and spirit. A poignant reminder of the sensitive young man now lost to us, we hope in time that his artwork will bring comfort to his family and loved ones."

Jonty Clark



Career's advice & guidance

This term we have introduced a careers advice and guidance curriculum which will help students get ready for the world of work. Some of the topic that will be covered this term will be; career exploration, application processes, interview techniques and C.V writing. By the time our students leave us, they will have a well-presented CV and the confidence to smash any job or college interview. All they need to do is believe in themselves, because we do!

Tanya Jackson

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the latest edition of the Beckmead College, Alverston Gardens Newsletter. It has been so lovely to have the school full of our young people again and we are delighted to see how they have settled back into the school routine.

We hope our new students feel safe and happy and welcomed into the Alverston Gardens family and would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support. Undeniably there have been challenges over the last year but we can now look forward with optimism to the future.

"Got to keep your head up in failure and your head down in success" - Jerry Seinfeld

Great start back

I am so impressed with the boys here at Alverston Gardens and the way they have tackled the new extended timetable. They are showing great determination and resiliency skills. Well done boys, I am so proud of you all. To the new boys that have started; well done for settling in so well, it is still early but I know first-hand how it feels to be the new person within a setting, it can be very daunting so well done to all our newbies and keep on striving for success.

Qudus Popoola

Food Technology

The food tech room is always a hive of activity! This term our young men will be learning how to make delicious cheese cakes and barbeque recipes now the sun has started to shine again and Summer is just around the corner!

AnnMarie Fuller

Maths

Students have been working on a range of math's topics including percentages, ratio and simplifying expressions. We have looked at reverse percentages and worked out what someone's original bench press was if it increased by 6% and is now 110kg. Let's see who can work it out! All students have been working brilliantly but two standouts are David and Lewis who have 100% attendance.

James Mensah

Functional skills

Functional skills exams will be going ahead, we will inform you of the exam dates as soon as we have been advised.



Personal social development

I have noticed the new starters have settled into our provision with ease and have already made a tremendous start to their portfolio of evidence. Year 11 portfolios are looking good and will be ready for moderation in July 2021.

Keep working hard and stay focused!

Gina Higgins

English

With GCSE exams not going ahead, year 11 AQA English Language GCSE students are currently working through each exam paper question by question. **This will ensure we have evidence for the deadline at the end of May, so it is vital that students attend school in order that we build enough evidence for the teacher assessed grades.**

Samantha Rose



Science

New year 10 students are working on AQA entry level Science with the intention for more able pupils to undertake GCSE Biology. A great start for all students in years 10 and 11! Year 11 students are working on their evidence folders to support this year's entry level qualifications which will be teacher assessed grades.

Lloyd Burke