

17/11/20

I've spent the day updating my website, an arduous yet satisfying task which I am content to do as it requires just the minimal amount of brain power it takes to complete a repetitive task, without putting any real stress on my day. I also get the wonderful sense of achievement that comes with refreshing the webpage and seeing the differences pop up in real time!

Since this morning, and a bit of yesterday, I have: created a style sheet, got the style sheet to work, changed some colours on the main pages, added new drop-down menu type things in the writing section, formatted all the writing that was in there already, downloaded a new programme for working on (Atom) which, although I do feel a twinge of sadness at leaving Text edit, is a life-saver, I never would have been able to get through all these pages without it.

Here is an example page... It's funny, when I come to try and put this document I am currently writing into my website I'll have lots of trouble with all the commands in it... maybe I'll just do a pdf. This is the page 'Walking With James' which was my guinea pig writing page, and went through many different formats to end up where it is now.

Narration in red...

This is a thing dad puts into all his websites, so it's made it into mine, it says 'LestWeForget' on 11/11

```
<%  
if month(now) = 11 and day(now) = 11 and hour(now) = 11 and minute(now) < 2 then  
%>  
    <!--#include file="LestWeForget.asp"-->  
<%  
    response.end  
end if
```

This bit is a clever device for having a secret webpage, basically if you go to one address you get one thing, if you go to the other you get something else. Good for making a sneaky website right?

```
dim bCh : bCh = 0  
dim bMain : bMain = 0  
if instr (lcase(Request.ServerVariables("HTTP_HOST")), "cheeseisgoodforyou.com") > 0 then bch  
=1  
if instr (lcase(Request.ServerVariables("HTTP_HOST")), "benedictesdale.com") > 0 then bMain =1  
%>
```

Now the actual page gets started, it's html!

```
<!DOCTYPE html>  
<html>
```

Meta stuff here, outside of the page, it's name and title, etc. No idea what most of it means, the dolphin icon doesn't appear I think I put it in the wrong place.

```
<head>  
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=iso-8859-1">  
<meta Name="Description" Content="B.E. writing">  
<meta Image src="dolphin icon.png">  
<meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
```

Yep this is where the dolphin was meant to be.

```
<link rel="shortcut icon" href="b.png" />
<link rel="shortcut icon" type="image/x-icon" href="/b.png"/>
<link rel="apple-touch-icon" href="b.png" />
```

```
<%
if bMain = 1 then
    response.write "<title>Walking With James</title>"
else
    response.write "<title>Fire Bunny Home Page</title>"
end if
%>
```

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/3.4.0/css/
bootstrap.min.css">
<script src="https://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/3.3.1/jquery.min.js"></script>
<script src="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/3.4.0/js/bootstrap.min.js"></script>
```

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="https://use.fontawesome.com/releases/v5.7.0/css/all.css"
integrity="sha384-
IZN37f5QGtY3VHgisS14W3ExzMWZxybE1SJSesQp9S+oqd12jhcu+A56Ebc1zFSJ"
crossorigin="anonymous">
```

This is a really important bit, the link to my stylesheet, where all the formatting is squirrelled away...

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="besdalestyle.css">
```

And some page-specific style bits, which mean I can change the background for each individually if I so desired, I haven't so far.

```
<style>
body
{
    background: linear-gradient(rgba(125,150,150,0.5), rgba(225,255,255,0.5)), url('Metal
Balls.jpeg');
    background-color:#d4d4d9;
    background-size: cover;
    background-repeat: no-repeat;
    font-family: verdana, arial, helvetica, sans-serif ;
    font-size: 12pt ;
    color: white;
}
</style>
```

```
</head>
```

Now we get into the meat of the page, this is things which will actually appear, starting with a button to take you back to the top of the page, and a scroll style, perhaps, I don't really remember doing this bit.

```
<body>
```

```
<button onclick="topFunction()" id="myBtn" title="Go to top">Top</button>
```

```
<script>
// When the user scrolls down 20px from the top of the document, show the button
window.onscroll = function() {scrollFunction()};
```

```
function scrollFunction() {
    if (document.body.scrollTop > 20 || document.documentElement.scrollTop > 20) {
```

```

    document.getElementById("myBtn").style.display = "block";
  } else {
    document.getElementById("myBtn").style.display = "none";
  }
}

```

```

// When the user clicks on the button, scroll to the top of the document
function topFunction() {
  document.body.scrollTop = 0;
  document.documentElement.scrollTop = 0;
}
</script>

```

Then the Nav bar, which is at the top of every page with links to elsewhere

```

<nav class="navbar navbar-default navbar-fixed-top" style="width:100%;">
  <div class="container-fluid">
    <div class="navbar-header">
      <button type="button" class="navbar-toggle" data-toggle="collapse" data-
target="#myNavbar">
        <span class="icon-bar"></span>
        <span class="icon-bar"></span>
        <span class="icon-bar"></span>
      </button>
      <a class="navbar-brand" style="font-size:32pt;" href="index.asp">b.</a>
    </div>
    <div class="collapse navbar-collapse" id="myNavbar">
      <ul class="nav navbar-nav navbar-right" style="font-size:28pt;text-align:right;">
        <li><a href="writing.asp">writing</a></li>
        <li><a href="art.asp">art</a></li>
        <li><a href="theatre.asp">theatre</a></li>
        <li><a href="contact.asp">contact</a></li>
      </ul>
    </div>
  </div>
</nav>

```

This secret missive is just to put space under the navbar, but also, to say hi.

```

<div style="background: transparent; height:50px;">
  <h1 style="opacity:0.2;">hi</h1>
</div>

```

For writing pages, the arrows going forwards and back are here.

```

<br>
<div>
<a href="1001.asp" style="font-size:15pt;margin-left:30px;"><i class="fas fa-arrow-left"></i>
back to 1001</a>
<br>
<br>
</div>

```

```

<br>

```

Now finally, the story (or whatever content) goes here, in this handy <pre> tag.

```

<div>
<pre>
April 23rd, 2019

```

```
<h3>Walking with James</h3>
<i>a True Story, Sorry</i>
<div style="width:100%;">
```

CONTENT

STORY STORY STORY

BLAH BLAH

WHOOOP DI DOOOO

```
</div>
</pre>
</div>
```

Another arrow going back to other stuff.

```
<br>
<div>
<a href="1001.asp" style="font-size:15pt;margin-left:30px;"><i class="fas fa-arrow-left"></i>
back to 1001</a>
<br>
<br>
</div>
```

!—And the footer, which has links to HOME, CONTACT, and a copyright symbol with my name —!

```
<footer>
<a href="index.asp" style="float:left;margin-left:8%;">home</a>
<a href="contact.asp" style="float:right;margin-right:8%;">contact</a>
</footer>
<div style="color:white;float:right; margin-right:25px;">
<p>&copy;2007-<%= Year(now)%> Benedict Esdale</p>
</div>
</body>
</html>
```

Et voile! That's the stuff. Takes a bit of getting your head around, especially when you're working with lot of different chunks and shapes moving around, but once the bones are in place, the thing comes together really surprisingly quickly.