



ETA Weekly Bulletin

21 July 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been a fantastic week to end of the year, if not a little too warm! The children have excelled themselves at Secondary Sports Day, Bikeability and Celebration assemblies.

We have wished farewell to some of our colleagues at the staff drinks this week. It's always sad to see them move on, but they are all heading on to more senior positions near and far. We are lucky to be welcoming some excellent new people in September, who have been working with their departments, met their form groups and already feel part of our school.

For our families moving away, I wish you every happiness and success in the future. Although we have already said goodbye to our Year 11 students, I look forward to sharing their successes on Thursday 25 August(8:30-11am) when they will receive their GCSE results. Of course, as one year group leaves we look forward to welcoming all of the new starters to school in September.

I wish you all a very happy and safe Summer break, and look forward to welcoming you back in September.

Best wishes,

Ian Evason, Principal

[Week commencing Monday 5 September 2022 - Timetable A](#)

[Lunch Menu - Week 1](#)

The ETA Way- Summer 2022 Newsletter is now available please [click here](#).

September Timetables - students will be able to see their new timetable in their Epraise accounts from the 2nd September, please be sure to check this before the first day back in September.

Free School Meal Vouchers - For those eligible, Central Bedfordshire Council have arranged for them to be sent to you directly by email. Any queries regarding these, please contact the council directly on 0300 300 8306. You can also contact them to discuss your eligibility for free school meals.

Yarn Crafts Club - We are hoping to start up a yarn-crafts club in the Autumn term, introducing students to knitting, crochet and more. To help us get off to a flying start, we would really appreciate any donations of unwanted yarn (whole or partial balls of yarn are equally welcome), knitting needles, crochet hooks or simple patterns that you might have tucked away in the back of a cupboard. Please have a rummage over the summer break and send in any donations with your child in September. Any questions please email hjones@bestacademies.org.uk.

Street tag - July saw the end of the current season, where we came second. If you count steps or enjoy walking you could be just what we need to secure a first place victory next season! Please [click here](#) for more information and details of the 'Street tag Summer Bingo' You can also find the PE codes for July. If you have never read about this before, please take the time to do so, you could help the team while getting fit and healthy over the summer.

Matilda Jr- A huge congratulations to the cast and crew involved in this year's Musical production. It was an amazing programme Performing across the week to care homes, matinees and evening shows to over 1000 people. Thank you for all your support over the last few weeks.

Lamda - Results can take up to 8 weeks to arrive. As soon as results come in we will notify you. Well done for all students involved in these exams.

Uniform orders -Please [click here](#) to view our uniform guide. Please use this link for purchasing new uniform <https://www.totalclothingshop.co.uk/etonbury>. Order should be placed by 10 August to receive before the start of term.

Catch up Vaccination clinics- The clinics are only offering HPV and DTP/ MEN ACWY vaccinations for those students that missed having their vaccinations in school. We are no longer able to offer Covid vaccinations. To book you will need to call 0300 790 0594 for an appointment. These clinics are not drop-ins. Please [click here](#) for a list of the Vaccination Catch Up Clinics.

JUNIOR SCHOOL (YRS 5&6)

Enjoy the Holidays! - From all the ETA Juniors team, may I wish you a happy holiday with your families. Good luck to all those students moving on into Year 7 and pastures new. We will miss you.

Equipment List for new Year 6 Pupils - Please click on [this link](#) to access a detailed equipment list for all our new Year 6 pupils.

SECONDARY SCHOOL (YRS 7-11)

GCSE Art & Photography Summer Transition Tasks

Please see google classroom for the Year 10 & 11 Art & Photography transition tasks that have been set. Printed copies have been handed out to students but if your child was absent then this is all on google classroom for students to access over the summer.

Year 9 into 10's please join the groups using these codes if you have not already done so:

Art

Code: 43dof55

Link: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NTM3MTQwODYyMDI3?cjc=43dof55>

Photography

Code: veosen7

Link: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NTM3MTQwODYyMzk3?cjc=veosen7>

Year 10 & 11 GCSE Art & Photography Students - To support year 10 & 11 students with their GCSE Art & Photography course we have put together equipment kits for our Art students and are asking for a voluntary contribution towards materials from students studying Photography in Year 10 & 11. We wanted to contact you in advance to let you know about this as we are mindful that there is a lot of expense for parents/carers in preparation for the new school year.

GCSE Art Kits - We have put together 2 types of art kits, please see below what each one will contain. If you wish to purchase one, please access 'Parent Mail' where a payment option is set up in the shopping cart. These will be available on parent mail from Monday 18th July until Friday 16th September.

<u>Standard kit £12</u>	<u>Extra Large kit £25</u>
A3 plastic folder Watercolours 14 colour set Colour pencils 12 pack Size 4 & 8 paint brush 1 large blending stump Black fine liner 2B sketching pencil Sharpener Rubber Glue stick White gel pen	A3 plastic folder watercolours 25 colour set Colour pencils 24 pack Size 1, 4 & 8 paint brush Acrylic paint set of 12 1 large blending stump Black fine liner Sketching pencil set Sharpener Rubber Glue stick White gel pen Charcoal pencil A3 ruler

GCSE Photography Contribution - The school supplies many of the materials and equipment necessary for the GCSE Photography course, however we would be very grateful for a voluntary contribution to help support the department in being able to supply more specialist equipment and materials for the new academic year.

If you are happy to make a contribution, we are asking for £8 and this will mean students will be able to access spray mount, mount board, acetate, photography paper and printing. Please access 'Parent Mail' where a payment option is set up in the shopping cart. The payment will be open from Monday 18th July until Friday 16th September 2022.

Duke of Edinburgh Award Deadlines for 2021-22: For both Silvers & Bronzes, please watch the following Loom: <https://www.loom.com/share/8823d8c00c584965bc78e5ef890f60fc> Students are required to complete all evidence and Google Classroom trackers should be uploaded to the Duke of Edinburgh portal by 30 September 2022. Having breaks in between the sections is absolutely fine, as long as they do a minimum of 3 or 6 months, and 12 or 24 hours. Any questions after having watched the loom, please email: ehilsden@bestacademies.org.uk

Year 10

In preparation for September form times in year 11, please read through the following information on the google form and fill out if applicable, <https://forms.gle/Z4aQtExFDru5yyja6>.

Year 11

GCSE Results Day - Thursday 25th August 2022

Students will be able to come into school between 8:30am-11:00am to collect their results.

If they are unable to for any reason, there are two options available:

- Results can be posted home - a Stamped Addressed Envelope needs to be brought into school
- A nominated person can collect on their behalf. A letter or email from the student needs to be sent in explaining who will be collecting for them. Please note that this nominated person may be asked for Photographic ID before results are given out.

For either of these options, the SAE or nominated person letter or email needs to be with Mrs Glazebrook in the Exams Office by Friday 15th July at the very latest, email address:
sglazebrook@bestacademies.org.uk.

Post 16 Options - Please see the [PowerPoint attached](#) that will explain student's options after leaving Etonbury. It's packed full of advice and useful links about 6th forms, colleges and apprenticeships. [Click here](#) to view the places of education close to Etonbury.

Useful Information

HOW YOU FEEL MATTERS: Getting help in Bedford Borough & Central Bedfordshire. Please [click here](#) to access a useful list of contact numbers and websites offering help and support to families and individuals of all ages.

Water safety - Information provided by Bedfordshire fire service about water safety can be found [here](#).

Willen Hospice Mini Moo event - Please [click here](#) for details of a children's fundraising event happening on 7th August at Willen Lake to help raise vital funds for Willen Hospice.

Don't forget to keep up to date with community events via our [website](#) that is updated regularly.

COVID INFORMATION

To get help with any questions related to Covid

Go to the NHS website [here](#)

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES 21/22

Thursday 25th August - Year 11 GCSE results day

Monday 5th September - Back to school

Everyone is respectful - Together we care - Always aim higher