

## Etonbury Academy Weekly Update - 8 February 2019

### Week commencing Mon 18 Feb - Timetable A

#### All/Mixed Years

- **Attendance Information** - Please note that we will **not** allow Year 5 and 6 pupils to leave on their own before the end of school for appointments - they will need to be picked up.  
For our secondary aged pupils (Year 7 and up) we will allow them to leave in exceptional circumstances, but we require written confirmation of this via [etaoffice@bestacademies.org.uk](mailto:etaoffice@bestacademies.org.uk) . Thanks for your support and understanding.  
*Mr Redding*

- **Reporting Absences** - Please inform the school of any absences as early as possible, due to illness or appointments etc.

Email	eta-absence@bestacademies.org.uk
Telephone – leave a message on the absence line	01462 730391
Text message for absence only	07860 029600

You may be asked to provide supporting paperwork such as a note from the child's doctor, an appointment card or a prescription paper.

- **Bike Sheds** - Please be aware the bike sheds are not locked outside of school hours, so please make sure you do not leave any bikes or scooters overnight. As these are located on a public site, sadly we have been experiencing significant vandalism to these sheds, and therefore it is important you make sure your child is applying a bike lock too.
- **Cheerleading Club cancelled (Fri 22 Feb)** - Due to the Year 5 residential trip to Condover Hall, there will be **no** Cheerleading Club after school on Fri 22 Feb.
- **PE Clubs List** - [Click here](#) to view the updated PE Clubs list for this half term.
- **Maths Equipment for Years 7 - 11** - [Click here](#) to view your child's maths equipment requirements. This equipment is also **essential** for science lessons.
- **Polystyrene pizza bases** - needed for Year 6 Art the first week after half term. Please bring to Mrs White in J6.
- **Science Department** - would like kind donations of old newspapers please.
- **Lunch Menu** - Week 3. Please [click here](#).

#### Year 5

- **Condover Hall Trip (Tue 19 Feb - Fri 22 Feb)** - [Click here](#) for the kit list. [Click here](#) for the final details and medical form.
- **All students not attending Condover Hall** - will be taking part in a Pirate Themed Week for all lessons. They will be organised into two classes and be able to choose their Pirate name. They can dress up on Fri 22 Feb to celebrate the end of the week where they will watch a pirate themed film in the afternoon. Dressing up is **not** compulsory.

### Year 6

- **SATs Homework Club (Mon - Thu) 3.30pm - 4.30pm** - [Click here](#) view information regarding the Year 6 SATs Homework Club and to complete the Google Form for your child to be able to attend.

### Year 7

- **Parents' Consultation (Wed 20 Feb) 4.00pm - 6.30pm** - The booking system will open on Thu 7 Feb at 6.00pm and close on Mon 18 Feb at midnight. [Click here](#) to book your appointments for all subjects.

### Year 8

- **Parents' Consultation (Wed 6 Mar) 4.00pm - 6.30pm** - The booking system will open on Fri 8 Feb at 6.00pm and close on Mon 4 Mar at midnight. [Click here](#) to book your appointments for all subjects.

### Year 9

- **GCSE Dance Students (Mon 4 Mar) All day** - An AQA dance teacher will be teaching 3 dances, set by AQA in the hall all day. Students must go to form to register first before making their way to the hall for lesson 1.
- **NHS Vaccination** - Please could we ask you to complete and return the form that was sent home with your child to their form tutor as soon as possible.

### Year 10

- **GCSE Dance Students (Mon 4 Mar) All day** - An AQA dance teacher will be teaching 3 dances, set by AQA in the hall all day. Students must go to form to register first before making their way to the hall for lesson 1.

### Year 11

- **GCSE Art and Photography Prep Day (Tue 12 Feb - during half term) 10.00am - 2.00pm** - This is to enable students to use the school resources to ensure their exam projects are fully up to date. It will run from 10.00am - 2.00pm and led by Mrs Hammond and Mrs Parsons. Students will need to bring a packed lunch and are expected to stay in the Art Department at all times. The students will be allowed to leave the site and make their own way home - students do not have to stay until 2.00pm.
- **Parents' Guide to Revision and Mock Exams** - [Click here](#) to view a Parents' Guide to Revision - GCSEs: What can a parent do? Which we hope you find useful in preparation for your child's Mock Exams after Half Term.
- **Core PE Lessons and Revision** - Your child is timetabled to take part in a 'core' PE lesson once a week. There are many benefits to taking part in this physical activity and the majority of students enjoy it. However, some have asked if they can revise instead, especially with the Mock Exams approaching. We have arranged that students who bring something to revise may do this instead and will be supervised. If your child wishes to carry on with the PE lesson they may.
- **GCSE Geography Revision (Tue 19 Feb) 2.00pm - 2.30pm** - Natural Hazards Revision - Room 7.

- **GCSE Dance Students (Mon 4 Mar) All day** - An AQA dance teacher will be teaching 3 dances, set by AQA in the hall all day. Students must go to form to register first before making their way to the hall for lesson 1.
- **GCSE Dance Students (Mon 18 Mar)** - Students will have their official GCSE Dance filming for the 4 dances they are required to perform/choreograph. It will take place during lessons 3 and 4 (double GCSE Dance lesson in the hall).
- **GCSE Information** - For students who are interested in a career in the creative and cultural industry, please [click here](#) for advice on apprenticeships as well as masterclasses to develop skills in this field.
- **Core Subject Mock Exams (Mon 18 Feb - Fri 1 Mar)** - [Click here](#) to view the information letter.
- **Mock Exams Timetable** - [Click here](#) to view.
- **GCSE Art and Photography Students** - The exam title has been released. Students will have a preparation period of approximately 20 lessons. They are expected to attend ALL lessons in order to produce a supporting project prior to the exams on the following dates:  
**GCSE Photography Exam dates - Mon 25 Mar to Thu 28 Mar 2019.**  
**GCSE Art Exam dates - Tue 2 Apr and Wed 3 Apr 2019.**
- **GCSE Drama Exams (Thu 4 Apr and Fri 5 Apr)** -  
**Drama Practical - Thu 4 Apr** (dress and tech set up)  
**Exam - Fri 5 Apr** (external exam with AQA) in the Drama Studio.  
Students are expected to attend ALL lessons leading up to the Drama Exam and also (if necessary) attend the Monday lunchtime sessions for extra support.
- **Seneca Online Revision Tool** - Please see below some useful information from their website and instructions on how to sign up for an account.  
<https://www.senecalearning.com>
- **Key Dates** - Please [click here](#) to view the important Examination Dates coming up in 2019.

### **Other Items of Interest**

- **Autism Bedfordshire - Summer Activity Scheme 2019** - [Click here](#) for more information and the **Luton** and **Bedford** Summer Activity Scheme request forms 2019.
- **Letchworth Arcadians Production (Thu 21 Feb - Sat 23 Feb)** - We have a number of our students appearing in the Pirates of Penzance production, it would be great to support them. [Click here](#) for more information.
- **Etonbury Vacancies** - Primary Teacher, English Teacher, Maths Teacher, Food Technology Teacher, Design Technology Teacher and Head of Design and Technology. [Click here](#) for more information.
- **BEST Vacancies** - Second in Maths Department, Maths Teacher, and Site Manager. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **Dates for your Diary**

**Mon 11 Feb - Fri 15 Feb** - Half Term

**Tue 12 Feb** - Year 11 Art and Photography prep day

**Mon 18 Feb - Fri 1 Mar** - Year 11 Core Subject Mock Exams

**Tue 19 Feb - Fri 22 Feb** - Year 5 Residential Trip to Conover Hall

**Wed 20 Feb** - Year 7 Parents' Consultation

**Mon 4 Mar** - GCSE Dance Students - all day dance class

**Wed 6 Mar** - Year 8 Parents' Consultation

**Thu 7 Mar** - World Book Day  
**Mon 18 Mar** - Year 11 GCSE Dance filming  
**Wed 20 Mar** - BEST Orchestra Easter Concert held at SWA  
**Mon 25 Mar - Thu 28 Mar** - Year 11 GCSE Photography Exams  
**Wed 27 Mar - Thu 28 Mar** - Cabaret Evening  
**Tue 2 Apr - Wed 3 Apr** - Year 11 GCSE Art Exams  
**Thu 4 Apr - Fri 5 Apr** - Year 11 GCSE Drama Exams  
**Mon 8 Apr - Thu 18 Apr** - Easter Holidays  
**Fri 19 Apr** - Bank Holiday  
**Mon 22 Apr** - Bank Holiday  
**Tue 23 Apr** - Return to school for Summer Term  
**Mon 13 May - Fri 14 Jun** - GCSE Exams  
**Wed 26 Jun** - GCSE Exam Contingency Day  
**Wed 26 Jun** - Etonbury Dance Show  
**Wed 3 Jul** - LAMDA Evening

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