

Etonbury Academy Weekly Update - 13 March 2020

Week commencing Mon 16 Mar - Timetable A

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All/Mixed Years

Coronavirus Update - Following further advice from Public Health England (PHE) the government advises against all educational overseas travel. We are awaiting further information from our travel organisers regarding our planned trips, and will update you of any changes as soon as we are made aware which we have listed below. We do understand that any changes or cancellations made to these trips may cause you an inconvenience, however, we are required to follow the advice given by PHE. There are no current changes to domestic trips, including Conover Hall next week. We will continue to keep you all updated as we receive the information. Please [click here](#) for the PHE guidance.

The Department of Education have also launched a new helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follow:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am – 6pm (Monday to Friday).

In these ever changing circumstances, and should we be in a position of closing, plans are in place for students work to be made available on Show My Homework(SMHW). Please make sure your child has their password for Show My Homework, if not, please follow the advice below. **If you do not have access to the internet, please inform your child's Form Tutor as soon as possible.**

We have also set up a dedicated page on our website to update you.

- **Resetting your SMHW password** - Go to the SMHW login page, select '*forgot password*' and enter the email address that is linked to their SMHW account. This will then send the student a link to reset their password (it may go to their junk/clutter folder rather than their inbox).

All SMHW accounts were set up with their @mybest email address, but they may have changed this. If they have been unable to reset it please ask them to speak to their Form Tutor.

- **Cancelled trips**

Dusseldorf (24 April 2020) - We are speaking to the trip provider to make arrangements for a refund, and will be back in touch with you once we have more information. I am sure you will understand that this may take a while to organise due to the unprecedented enquiries and cancellations they will be receiving at this time.

- **Maths (Years 7-11)** - Please ensure your child has a scientific calculator for all their maths lessons.
- **PE Reminder - All students** must have football boots for handball and football lessons as these are played on the 3G. Trainers are **not** permitted on the 3G.
- **Drama Club (Tuesdays after school) cancelled until after Easter Holidays** - Due to the exam season starting for drama, drama club will be cancelled and start after the Easter holidays. Students can pick up scripts from the creative office to prepare for the new term.
- **LAMDA Exams**
LAMDA showcase for parents - Tue 24 Mar - 3.45pm - 5.00pm
LAMDA Mock - Wed 25 Mar
LAMDA Exam - Thu 2 Jul
Any questions please contact jbrahmacharilimb@bestacademies.org.uk
- **Etonbury Ofsted GOOD Judgement** - [Click here](#) for letter.
- **Anne Frank Trust Exhibition (week beginning 16 Mar)** - Etonbury is hosting the Anne Frank Trust with an exhibition on the Holocaust. 20 of our Year 9 students are being trained to act as specialist guides. On **Wed 18 March** we are opening an exhibition from 3.30pm – 5.00pm for parents and carers to view. We hope you will take this opportunity to see the work of the Anne Frank Trust and support our expert student guides.
- **Emergency School closure** - In the event of a school closure, you may receive a text message, but please check our website, twitter and facebook for updates.
- **New Extra-Curricular PE Timetable Spring Term 2** - [Click here](#).
- **Extra-Curricular Clubs List - Spring Term** - [Click here](#).
- **Lunch Menu** - Week 1. [Click here](#) to view menu. [Click here](#) to view prices.

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- **Year 5 Students NOT going to Condoover Hall** – [Click here](#) for activities planned for next week.
- **Year 5** - If your child is **not** going to Condoover Hall, they will have a music lesson on Tue 17 Mar. Recorders must be brought to the lesson please.
- **Etonbury Ofsted GOOD Judgement** - [Click here](#) for KS2 letter.
- **Year 5 Condoover Hall Trip final letter** - [Click here](#) for important dates, times and medical form.
- **KS2 Spring Term Letter** - [Click here](#) for information
- **KS2 Dance Club after school cancelled Wednesday 18 March**
- **Internet Safety** - As part of our continuing support of pupils in relation to their social media presence, please take time to share the guidance below relating to the two apps Whatsapp and Tik Tok. Both these have given us cause for concern in recent months so we're keen to provide as much up to date information that is available.
[Whatsapp Parent Guidance](#)
[Tik Tok Parent Guidance](#).
- **Year 6 SATs evening information** - For those unable to join us last week to discuss the forthcoming SATs, please see the information below that was shared on the night.
[KS2 Statutory Assessment Tests Presentation](#)
[Power to Perform Presentation](#)
[Power to Perform Recipe Booklet](#)

[Parents Power to Perform Booklet](#)

Any further queries, please message ETA-primary@bestacademies.org.uk

Year 7

- **Art Department** - We are looking for donations of coloured plastic bottles, [click here](#) for guidance. If you have any of these items that are unwanted, please can you thoroughly wash them and bring them to your next art lesson.
- **Accelerated Reader Reminder** - Students will soon be taking their next Star Reading test to determine their reading age. The best way for students to progress is to be reading and quizzing on Accelerated Reader every two weeks. Book quizzing is available to all students in Year 7. To enable further reading practice and development outside of school, quizzes can now be taken during evenings and weekends. [Click here](#) to access your child's progress on Accelerated Reader by logging in using your child's login details.

Year 8

- **Art Department** - If you have any unwanted small hard back books (no bigger than A5) we would like to make use of them. Please bring them to your next art lesson for use in the summer term. [Click here](#) for guidance.
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- **Performing Arts** - Students will be studying 'Woman in Black', 'Harry Potter' and social issues this term, in drama and music, looking at production techniques used and sharing work created to target an audience. Short trailers will be used as part of this unit to demonstrate. If you have any questions please email jbrachmachari-limb@bestacademies.org.uk or ltrammel@bestacademies.org.uk

Year 9

- **History Battlefield Trip** - All students attending the Battlefield Trip must have a valid passport for travel in July. Anyone who needs a new one please renew with plenty of time for it to be returned. Please check your child has a valid EHIC Health Insurance Card which is free, [click here](#) to apply.
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- **History Students** - Students are currently studying the Holocaust. To aid their understanding of this complicated topic the film 'The Pianist' may be shown. This film has an 18 category, due to its subject matter. If you do not wish your child to see this film, Please email Miss Young on wyoung@bestacademies.org.uk

Year 10

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- **Children's Play, Learning and Development (Childcare students only) - Nursery visit (Tue 17 Mar)** - To enable all learners to access the highest level of Distinction grades, a visit to a local nursery has been arranged as part of the course. The visits will happen during the school day and will take place during the timetabled childcare lessons, so will not impact on any other learning. Each student has been given a personalised letter with the allocated time and date of their visit.
- **History GCSE Students revision sessions (Tue and Thu)** - [Click here](#) to view the after school revision timetable. Although this is aimed at year 11, year 10 are more than welcome to come as preparation for their own mock exams after Easter. The same session will run on the Tuesday and Thursday.

Year 11

- **GCSE Information**
[Click here](#) to view important GCSE information letter
[Click here](#) to view the Year 11 Examination Booklet
[Click here](#) to view GCSE Timetable
- **GCSE Drama Exams** -
Mock Exam - Thu 19 Mar, Final External Performance - Fri 3 Apr
Students need to check their exam schedules carefully.
- **GCSE Maths Revision Sessions (every Wednesday after school) 3.30pm - 4.15pm** - Higher tier with Mr Vanner (room 14), Foundation tier with Mrs Sarup (room 16).
- **Children's Play, Learning and Development (Childcare students only) - Nursery visit (Tue 17 Mar and Tue 24 Mar)** - To enable all learners to access the highest level of Distinction grades, a visit to a local nursery has been arranged as part of the course. The visits will happen during the school day and will take place during the timetabled childcare lessons, so will not impact on any other learning. Each student has been given a personalised letter with the allocated time and date of their visit.
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- **GCSE Science Revision Sessions (every Wednesday after school) - 3.30pm - 4.30pm** - All year 11 pupils are invited to attend revision sessions for 1hr with Mrs Evans in Lab 3. Please encourage your son/daughter to attend. There is a sign-up sheet on her door for pupils.
- **GCSE Geography Revision (every Tuesday after school) - 3.30pm - 4pm** - Room 6, all welcome.
- **Key GCSE Exam Dates** - [Click here](#) to view the GCSE Exam Dates letter for this academic year.

- **Careers Bulletin** - [Click here](#) to view important School and College open days coming up.

Any other information

- **Author visit feedback** - [Click here](#).
- **Community and Event Activities** - [Click here](#) to view.

Etonbury Vacancies

- If you are a teacher considering a new challenge and would like to be informed of our vacancies in the future, please contact Victoria Lockey vlockey@bestacademies.org.uk to be added to our talent list. [Click here](#) for more information or visit www.MyNewTerm.com to apply.

BEST Vacancies

- Midday Playworkers, Music and Performing Art Technicians, Maths Teacher, Site Agent, and PE Teacher. [Click here](#) for information.

Dates for your Diary

Tue 17 Mar - Nursery visit for Year 10 and 11 Childcare students

Tue 17 Mar - Fri 20 Mar - Year 5 Condoval Hall Trip

Wed 18 Mar - Anne Frank Exhibition

Thu 19 Mar - Year 11 GCSE Drama Mock

Tue 24 Mar - Nursery visit for Year 11 Childcare students

Tue 24 Mar - LAMDA Showcase for parents

Wed 25 Mar - LAMDA Mock

Fri 3 Apr - Year 11 GCSE Drama Final External Performance

Mon 6 Apr - Fri 17 - Easter Holidays

Fri 24 Apr - Sun 26 Apr - Year 8 and 9 Trip to Dusseldorf, Germany

Mon 11 May - Fri 12 June - Year 11 GCSE Exams

Mon 8 Jun - Fri 19 Jun - Year 5 Bikeability

Wed 24 Jun - Exam Contingency Day

Thu 2 Jul - LAMDA Exams

Term Dates 20/21 - [Click here](#)

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