# ETA SIXTH FORM BULLETIN

ETONBURY ACADEMY

Sixth Form

## Sixth Form Message

**Sixth Form Open Evening**

We have started the second half of the term with a huge amount of positivity and enthusiasm! As we turn our attention towards enrichment opportunities and encouraging students to get more involved in wider school life, we began with a fantastic opportunity for our students to shine at our Sixth Form Open Evening. The event was a huge success, as we opened our doors to families from far and wide, welcoming both prospective students and families as well as members of our existing school community. Our Year 12 and Year 13 students played a vital role in making the evening such a success. From our senior students delivering presentations to others acting as subject ambassadors and enthusiastic tour guides, they were fantastic representatives of our Sixth Form.

It was a particularly proud moment to showcase everything we have to offer and, most importantly, to see our students take such an active role in sharing their experiences and celebrating our school. Their confidence, enthusiasm and willingness to get involved really shone through. Well done to everyone who helped make the evening such a success!

**Mock Bar Trial**

On Saturday, our criminologists will be participating in the Young Citizens Mock Trial competition at Southwark Crown Court. This is an exciting opportunity for our students to gain experience for their CVs by competing against other schools in a criminal trial that reflects real life trials that happen every day. Students will take on various roles from a barrister, to a witness, to a court usher. This is the fourth year we have run this trip and every year students have loved how much insight they gain. Thank you to Mrs Harbour-Cooper for making this possible.

**UCAS Applications**

Following feedback from their form tutors and subject teachers, students should now be in a position to submit their UCAS applications for checking. Once submitted, applications will be passed to Miss Schumann, who will carry out a thorough check before forwarding them to Mrs Dowden. Mrs Dowden will then add the final details, including predicted grades and the all-important reference. It is important that students understand that submitting their application to school does not mean it is immediately sent to UCAS. All applications go through our internal checking and approval process first, and will only be sent to UCAS once we are happy that everything is complete and accurate. Please encourage your young person to submit their application as soon as possible. This will allow us sufficient time to carry out thorough checks and ensure that every application is ready for submission. The school deadline is the **end of November** to ensure all the necessary checks can be made and students can then focus on their upcoming January mocks.

**January Exam Timetable – Y13 Mocks and Y12/Y13 BTEC Exams**

The January Exam Timetable is now available. It includes the Y13 mock examinations and BTEC examinations for students in Y12 and Y13. Please see the timetable here.

**Absence Reporting**

Please report your child's absence directly through the MCAS app using the Report an Absence feature. MCAS guidance. If you have any difficulties reporting via the MCAS app you can still use the following email address: eta-sixthformattendance@bestacademies.org.uk

Chloe Dowden

# NOTICES

**Sixth Form Trip**

A 7-day trip to New York & Washington DC for Year 12 students, with a Humanities & Business focus.

Statue of Liberty • 9/11 Memorial • Central Park • Times Square • White House • Lincoln Memorial • Museums • Shopping & more!

Estimated cost: £2,500 including flights (some additional costs apply).

Register your interest by 21st September. No commitment or guarantee of a place.

**Expression of interest form**

# KEY DATES

**Yr13 Travel &Tourism trip - Thursday 19th November**
**Polecon trip- Monday 23rd November**
**Year 13 mocks- Jan 5th to Jan 12th : Timetable**
**GCSE and ALevel certificate Collection- Mon 4th January 2027 - 9am - 11am**
**UCAS Discovery London 2027- Monday 15th March**
**Work Experience WeeK- week commencing July 5th**

# CONTACT DETAILS

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**Sixth Form Pastoral and Administration:** lschumann@bestacademies.org.uk

**ETA Sixth Form absence reporting:** Please report using the MCAS app (MCAS guidance) or alternatively by using the following email address: eta-sixthformattendance@bestacademies.org.uk

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Please complete this form to give permission for your child to leave the school site to attend the gym or a driving lesson:
**Driving Lesson & Gym- Permission Form**

# KEY INFO

- Degree Apprenticeship presentation
- Sixth Form Dress Code
- School photo code: Ca4-8e9-ec1e
- Martin Lewis: Five things EVERYONE needs to know about student finance 2025/26
- UCAS - Search / Open Days and Events
- Explore Forage
- This is what makes us special ...
- Student finance
- Preparing for Your Future: UCAS, CVs, and Degree Apprenticeships.
- Year 13 UCAS applications parents' guide
- Face Family Advice
- MenB (meningococcal B) vaccination programme from July 2026
- UCAS parents' guide
- Year 13 mock timetable. Timetable
- Yr 12 Information Evening - presentation

# DEGREE APPRETICESHIPS

- Presentation 2024/25
- Occupation Maps
- STAR
- Unifrog
- Bedfordshire Raising Aspirations - Linkedin
- Amazing Apprenticeships

# EXAM INFORMATION

Please use this link to find information on when your exams are taking place

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JCQ CANDIDATE INFORMATION

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This bulletin was designed by our Sixth Form students, we hope you find it informative and fun!

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# YOU ARE NOT ALONE - SUPPORT FOR SIXTH FORM STUDENTS

## EMOTIONAL & PHYSICAL SUPPORT

**BEDFORDSHIRE COUNSELLING - OPEN DOOR**
Web: bedfordopendoor.org.uk.
Call: 01234 360388. Text: 07922 105200.

**HITCHIN COUNSELLING SERVICE (HCS)**
Web: hitchincounsellingservice.org.uk.
Call: 07783 887772.

**YOUNGMINDS - MENTAL HEALTH CHARITY**
Web: youngminds.org.uk.
Crisis Text Line: YM to 85258.

**KOOTH - ONLINE SUPPORT**
Web: kooth.com.

**THE OSBORNE TRUST - CANCER SUPPORT**
Web: theosbornetrust.org.uk.
Call: 01296 330134.

## HELPLINES & IMMEDIATE SUPPORT

**SAMARITANS**
Web: samaritans.org.
Call: 116 123 (24/7 Free).

**NHS MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS LINE**
Call: 111 (Option 2).

## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

**CHILD BEREAVEMENT UK**
Web: childbereavementuk.org.
Call: 0800 028 8840.

**CRUSE BEREAVEMENT CARE**
Web: cruse.org.uk. Coll: 0808 808 1677.

**GRIEF ENCOUNTER**
Web: griefencounter.org.uk. Call: 9002 0111.
Call: 0808 802 0111.

**HOPE AGAIN**
Web: hopeagain.org.uk.
Call: 0808 808 1677.

## SAFEGUARDING

**ICASH - SEXUAL HEALTH SERVICES**
Web: icash.hhs.uk. Call: 0800 300 3030.

**CHILDLINE - VAPING & GENERAL HELP**
Web: childline.org uk. Call: 0800 1111.

**BBC OWN IT - DELETE SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDANCE**
Web: bbc.com/ownit

**NSPCC / CHILDLINE - REMOVE NUDE IMAGES**
Web: childiine.org.uk/remove-image.
Call: 0808 800 5000.

**ETA SAFEGUARDING - ETONBURY ACADEMY**
Web: etonbury.org.uk/safeguarding.
Call: 01462 730331.

## DRUGS, ALCOHOL & ADDICTION ADDICTION SUPPORT

**FRANK - DRUGS & ALCOHOL ADVICE**
Web: talktofrank.com.
Call: 0300 123 6500. Text: 82111.

**BLMK NHS - DRUG & ALCOHOL SUPPORT**
Web: blmkhealthandcarepartnership.org.
Call: 0808 175 6993.

## YOUNG CARERS

**CARERS TRUST YOUNG CARERS**
Web: carers.org/young-carers.
Call: 0800 772 3000.

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