

## Etonbury Academy Weekly Update - 14 September 2018

### All/Mixed Years

- **Timetable A**
- **Student Expectations** - We have started this term with posters in every classroom that clearly show Etonbury Student Expectations as well as the rewards and sanctions system. There have been some very minor changes, soon to be added to the school website. We are very pleased to report that the students have responded fantastically so far and we are delighted. Please [click here](#) to view the Student Expectation Poster.
- **Pupil and Parent Privacy Notices** – These can be found in our GDPR Policy, please [click here](#).
- **Breakfast Club 7.30am - 8.15am every morning -**  
Supervised club only £1 per day. Club and breakfast £2 per day.  
Hot chocolate is available on its own at 20p per cup. Please [click here](#) for the breakfast menu.
- **Autumn Term Clubs List** - Please [click here](#).
- **Autumn Term PE Clubs List** - Please [click here](#).
- **Memorial Service (4<sup>th</sup> Oct)** - As many of you may already know, Mrs Brightwell who was a much loved member of staff at St. Mary's sadly passed away during the summer holidays. As she taught at that School for 17 years, many of our pupils in all years will know and remember her. We wanted to let you know that there will be a special memorial service held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm in St Mary's School to celebrate Mrs Brightwell's life. Mrs Bishop and her staff would like to invite parents and children, past and present to attend. At the memorial service there will also be a collection to raise money for a special item to be placed in the memory garden at school. We are sure you will join us in offering all our thoughts and best wishes, to her family and the Staff at St Mary's School.
- **Bikes** - Please ensure your child is provided with, and uses their bike lock whether it is on the school site or in the bike shed.
- **ParentMail** - If your child is new to the school, in the next few days you will be sent an email link with instructions on how to make payments for trips, events, lunches etc. Until this is set up, students can load money on the machines in school for school meals only.
- **BEST Christmas Pantomime 'Cinderella'** - BEST performing arts are inviting students to take part in the annual Christmas Pantomime of Cinderella. This production will involve students from across the lower and middle schools as well as students from Samuel Whitbread. Students DO NOT need to prepare anything for the audition; everything will be taught on the day. Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **BEST Orchestra** – Please [click here](#) for more details
- **Performing Arts Club - Year 5, 6, 7 and 8 only (KS2 and KS3)** - We are auditioning for the Performing Arts Club on Tuesday lunchtimes ready for our production at Christmas. We are looking for dancers, actors and singers. This will be an open audition. Please encourage your child just to turn up to the Drama Studio for this club. If you attended last year, why not try out again this year to see if you can make it in. Audition results – a list of names of the successful students will be available next week.

- **LAMDA (starting Wed 19 Sep)** – Please [click here](#) for information and application form. LAMDA will commence on Wednesdays after school from 3.30pm to 5.00pm in the Drama Studio. Starting Wed 19 Sep, last one for the term is on Wed 5 Dec with a week off during half-term. Please ensure that your letters are all in and fees paid for the term.  
We had a smashing set of results from last year's cohort - 100% achieving merit and distinctions WITH 58% of our centre achieving the Highest awarded level.
- **Music Clubs** - All the music clubs have started back this week. If any students wants to join in then they are free of charge and run 1.00pm-1.30pm  
**MONDAY** - Senior Choir (year 9+ including staff)  
**TUESDAY** - String Group  
**WEDNESDAY** - Wind band/Rock Band  
**THURSDAY** - School Choir  
**FRIDAY** - School Band  
More details are available from Mrs Hardy in the music department.  
*Students who have 100% attendance from year 5- year 11 will be in school for 1330 lunchtimes. Give up half an hour of one lunchtime to give something a go!*  
**Peripatetic tuition** - Students should have started their instrumental and vocal lessons for the year. If you were expecting to start but have not heard anything then please contact Mrs Hardy by e-mail at [ehardy@bestacademies.org.uk](mailto:ehardy@bestacademies.org.uk).  
If you are interested in learning an instrument or training your voice then [click here](#) to view the letter giving all the information regarding peripatetic tuition.
- **Christina Marks Community Dance** - Mrs Marks will still be teaching Dance for Community Events as part of our Gold Arts Mark commitment, and this will continue Tuesday after school in the Drama Studio. If you are interested please come and pick up a letter from the Performing Arts notice board.
- **Maths** - The maths department have welcomed back students in years 7, 8, 9 and 10 with a Week of Inspirational Maths. Every lesson is accompanied by a mind-set video for students followed by activities that invite students into a world of open, creative, visual mathematics. Not so much about 'doing maths' more about 'thinking how we maths' and the variety of approaches, thinking and connections we can make. I know some students will think these lessons are 'easy' because the maths we 'do' is easy, however understanding how we approach maths and make connections may not always be as 'easy'. For more details please [click here](#) where there is also some parent resources.
- **Gardening Club** – If your child is interested in taking part in gardening club, please [click here](#) for more information.
- **Science** - The science department would like kind donations of any unwanted tape measures and take away tubs please.
- **Lunch Menu** - Week 3. Please [click here](#).

### **Year 5**

- **Food Tech Ingredients** – Please [click here](#) for more information.

### **Year 6**

- **Food Tech Ingredients** – Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **Warner Brothers' Studio Trip (Mon 3 Dec)** - On the 3rd December 2018, we have booked to take the entire year group to the Warner Brothers' Studio

Tour. The trip will leave at 9.00am and return at 4.30pm (approximate timings). Unfortunately the studios have only given us until the middle of September to confirm the numbers and pay the remittance. Your ParentMail (payment system) will have a new item for this trip - £25. This will be available to pay from Fri 20 Jul at 4.00pm. **The deadline for the payment will be Friday 14th September.** We apologise for the short turn-around but it is out of our control. Please [click here](#) to view the details of the trip.

### **Year 7**

- **Food Tech Ingredients** – Please [click here](#) for more information.

### **Year 8**

- **Food Tech Ingredients** – Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **Drama** - Students are studying a case based on the issue of death row and exploring the morality of the issue. Please email me if you have any concerns: jbrahacharilimb@bestacademies.org.uk.
- **Art GCSE Students only** - If your child has chosen to study GCSE Art and Design, in order to support their studies in school and at home, the Art Department are offering the option to purchase an art pack. Please [click here](#) for more information.

### **Year 9**

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- **Berlin Trip Students only (Sun 30 Sep – Fri 6 Oct)** - Hoodies are available for purchasing, please [click here](#) for the details and order form.
- **Berlin Trip Parents Meeting (Mon 17 Sep)** – The meeting will be from 6.00pm-7.00pm in the hall.

### **Year 10**

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### **Other Items of Interest**

- **Pippin Pre-School Quiz Night (Sat 29 Sep)** – Doors open at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. Held in the Memorial Hall, Hallworth Drive, Stotfold, SG5 4HP. £5 per person, 6 people per team. Ticket to be booked in advance - info@pippinpreschool.co.uk . Bring your own alcohol.
- **Dance-Beat** - Held in the Arlesey Village Hall on Wednesday nights. For more information contact Laura on 07921 817633 or [www.dance-beat.co.uk](http://www.dance-beat.co.uk)
- **4 Corner Coaching** – a unique opportunity for your child to receive high quality specific football coaching from professional coaches
- **Etonbury Vacancies** - Head of Maths, Maths Teacher and Teaching Assistant. [Click here](#) for more information.
- **BEST Vacancies** – BEST Director of English, Teaching Assistant, Science Technician, Learning Supervisors and Learning Support Assistant. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **Dates for your Diary**

**Mon 17 Sep** - Berlin Trip Parents Meeting

**Sun 30 Sep - Fri 5 Oct** - Berlin Trip

**Mon 22 Oct - Fri 26 Oct** - Half term

**Mon 29 Oct** - Inset Day

**Tue 30 Oct** - Return to school

**Mon 3 Dec** - Year 6 Warner Brothers' Studio Trip

**Wed 19 Dec** - Last day of term

**Thu 20 Dec - Tue 1<sup>st</sup> Jan** - Christmas holidays

**Wed 2 Jan** - Inset day

**Thu 3 Jan** - Return to school, start of Winter Term

Let us know what you think about these emails. Have you got any suggestions?  
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