



21 June 2024

Principal Message

Our school's EUROS event started this week with colourful banners and flags displayed by supporting classes at the football pitches. We've seen excitement and smiles each day from all our students on and off the pitch! Each class has put in tremendous effort, not just in decorating their flags and banners, but also in the teamwork and sporting spirit displayed.



Year 12 geographers have been on a residential this week in Dorset. Students have been busy investigating erosional and depositional processes, local and tourist perceptions, carbon storage, water infiltration rates and sand dune succession. They have been fortunate to visit Lulworth Cove, Durdle Door, Chesil Beach and Studland to increase their learning outside of the classroom as well as practising primary data collection techniques for their NEA.

Please remember to purchase your tickets to our performance of School of Rock. We are excited to showcase this to our local community - the entire cast and production team are working extremely hard on what will be an amazing show. Parents can secure tickets via ParentMail while everyone else can call the office to book!



We recognised the UK-wide celebration for all school staff this week, National Thank a Teacher Day! This year is all about gratitude, recognising the long-lasting impact that education has on individuals and throughout society. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every member of staff - THANK YOU!

We also held our meet your mentor event this week whereby every student met with their academic mentors. Pupils were given a reflection task in relation to their report, they were also given the opportunity to review their targets for the year. This was a whole school activity coordinated by Mr Kirkman. Reports will be out later this term.

A fond farewell to our Year 11s who completed their final GCSEs this week. They still have their prom to look forward to! We wish them a fantastic Summer and look forward to seeing them on results day.

Best wishes

Mrs. J Young - Principal



Queries & Contacting School

Should you wish to contact our staff regarding your child, we ask that you email the relevant member of staff in the first instance. This could be Form Tutor or Head of Year with a pastoral matter or subject teacher if the matter is related to academic issues. Our staff will respond to you in a timely manner and will endeavour to acknowledge your request at their earliest availability, as staff will have teaching commitments throughout the day and it may be towards the end of the day before they are available to respond to you, this will always be within **48** hours. To request a meeting with a member of staff, please contact them directly and they will arrange a suitable time, this will usually be before or after the school day due to teaching commitments.

To view our staff list and contact details please [click here](#).

As a school we always endeavour to work with you and achieve the best for your child. We would ask that your communications and interactions with our staff are polite and respectful, as we always aim to act in the best interest of your child. Please [click here](#) to view.

Term Dates
[2024 / 2025](#) / [2025/2026](#)

WELLBEING MATTERS AT ETA

BEST Trust is celebrating wellbeing week from 24th to 28th June. Please do have a look at these wellbeing activities:

- [Primary wellbeing activities](#)
- [Secondary wellbeing activities](#)

This year each Trust school has been invited to take part in creating a bespoke wishing wellbeing tree at their schools. If you would like to take part in the WELLBEING TREE, there will be labels available from your form teacher. (please see [PowerPoint](#)).

"Happiness and wellbeing are actually best regarded as skills"
 (Richard Davidson)

If you need more information on wellbeing week, then do contact jbrahmacharilim@bestacademies.org.uk

#WELLBEING MATTERS AT ETA



WELLBEING WEEK
 24th - 28th June 2024

ETONBURY ACADEMY PRESENTS THE SCHOOL OF ROCK

16th, 17th & 18th JULY
6pm - 8.30pm approx.



Tickets can be purchased
via Parentmail
£10 Adult
£8 Concession



If you are not a parent or guardian please email or
call the school office for tickets.



01462 730391



etaoffice@bestacademies.org.uk



Please be aware that this show comes with language content warning,
a loud live band, flashing lights and smoke.

ETONBURY
ACADEMY

THE NEXT GENERATION

SCHOOL of ROCK

MUSICAL

School Group Production by arrangement with The Really Useful Group Ltd

Based on the Paramount movie written by Mike White

Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber Lyrics by Glenn Slater Script by Julian Fellowes

PERFORMING ARTS



Joya Brahmachari-Limb

Head of Performing Arts and Specialist Leader in Education.

Since leaving The Central School of Speech and Drama in 1996, (time flies when you are having serious fun!) I have been fortunate to find a profession where I still remain as passionate as the day I started treading the boards! I have had the pleasure of working with a full kaleidoscope of age groups over my time, including students from Year 5 to Postgraduate level. On writing this, I officially feel totally ancient but also feel incredibly privileged to have had the chance to see your children grow in an all through extended Secondary School experience.

In my current role as Head of Performing Arts at ETA; I currently coordinate and teach Drama at KS3 and Performing Arts at KS4. I manage a busy one woman department and I also am responsible for coordinating large-scale whole school Performing Arts productions. We have an incredible specialist enrichment team who I am lucky to be able to work with, including the wonderful Mr Kirkman, Mr Sarup (who I used to teach!) Ms Crockford and also new to the production team we welcome Mr Francis. This year we have been extremely lucky to work with Mr Thomson who has joined the production team as an Assistant resident director for our Summer School Production - 'School of Rock'. Please [click here](#) to read more about Performing Arts.



Please follow our [Facebook](#) or [X](#) (formerly Twitter) pages where you can keep up to date with our latest PE Legends of the week awards, fixtures and results, updates and notices on lessons, clubs, fixtures. Students must sign up for clubs via Epraise, this is our register platform and some clubs have a maximum limit for staff ratios.

For fixtures, parents/carers will get an email inviting their child to participate with full details and a google form to complete.

Any questions please email shilton@bestacademies.org.uk

PE Kit Shop: <https://www.totalclothingshop.co.uk/etonbury/pe-kit>

As always - **Congratulations** to our **Sports Legends** this week. Please see this weekend's social media posts for details celebrating these achievements.

Follow us on X - [EtonburyPE](#). Facebook [Etonbury PE](#)



Mr Sale - bsale@bestacademies.org.uk Head of Juniors

Junior School Arrival Time

Please ensure that your Year 5 / 6 child/children arrive at school from 8:15 am and **before 8:25 am**. The Junior gate closes at **8:25 am** prompt. Your cooperation in ensuring punctuality is greatly appreciated. To ease congestion in the mornings year 5 will now be entering via the gate to the left of reception and year 6 via the gate on the right. Please ensure your child/ren arrive before the gates close at 8.25am. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bikeability

This year Bikeability takes place 8th - 11th July. Please find attached the [checklist for parents](#) whose children are attending the Bikeability course this half term.



Please check your child's cycle before the start of the course. If the cycle is not roadworthy, pupils won't be able to participate in the course. Faults are often easily fixed but occasionally a new part from a bike shop is required so please check your child's cycle well in advance. Helmets are also required.

ETONBURY ACADEMY

YEAR 4 TRANSITION EVENTS

Friday 21 June Yr 4 Feeder Lower Sch Sports Event

Tuesday 25 June Welcome Information Evening

Friday 5th July Step-up Day at ETA

MORE INFO :

☎ 01462 730391 ✉ etaoffice@bestacademies.org.uk

🌐 www.etonburyacademy.org.uk



Year 5

Food Tech Reminder

Year 5 will need a named, watertight container for food technology next week please!
All classes have enjoyed practising their knife skills in the kitchen this week when they made a delicious fruit salad as part of their food technology lessons.

Year 6

Year 6 blazer and skirt sizing event

This in school event will take place 25 June, 3.15pm-4pm - If you would like your child to try on blazers and skirts for sizing, the uniform company will be in school located in the Sports Hall at this time. It is only for sizing and there will be no new uniform available for purchasing. Go to Total Clothing website to place your order before 14 August 2024 to ensure it arrives before the start of term <https://www.totalclothingshop.co.uk/etonbury>



Click [HERE](#) for the 2024 uniform guide.

Total Clothing are here to help you if you have any questions please call our Schools Team on 01733 394758, contact us via live chat on our website or email customerservices@totalclothing.co.uk who will be happy to advise you.

SECONDARY SCHOOL (YEARS 7 TO 11)



Student Equipment

Please can you ensure students have the correct equipment with them in school. Pens, pencils, rubber, ruler, pencil sharpener, protractor, compass, scientific calculator and water bottle.

Lockers

ILS provides lockers for ETA Secondary Students, if you are interested in renting a locker please [click here](#) to view further information for 2024.

Secondary Sports Day - Monday 15th July

Students will have the opportunity to buy a well-deserved frozen treat or drink from the Ice Cream Van that will be on site from 1.40pm. The prices start at £2 to £4. If your child would like to purchase an item from the Ice Cream Van on this day, they will need to bring in cash or make payment on their card - this purchase will not be available through Parentmail.



CLASSIC ICE CREAM & ICE LOLLIES

We sell a variety of classic, popular ice creams and ice lollies including...

- Freshly made Freshwhip vanilla ice cream
- Cola, Cider, Lemonade, Orange & Cherry ice lollies
- FAB, Rocket, Shandy, MiniMilk & Calypo's
- Slush Puppies & Soft Drinks

DUKE OF EDINBURGH @ ETA



The **Silver Expedition** is this month - 27-29th June [click here](#) for further details. Thank you.

Year 7

Year 7 Activity Day Monday 1st of July

Our ambition is for all students in the year group to take part in the day, run by SSG on site here at ETA . Please [click here](#) for further information. If you wish your child to take part in the event please can you complete the Google Consent Form via the link below no later than Friday 21st of June 2024. [Activity Day Consent Form](#)

Food Technology and MFL Day Trip to Boulogne

Next academic year when your child is in year 8 as part of our Year 8 food technology lessons and to link with MFL lessons students will be studying French bakeries and the food they make. There is the opportunity to take some students on a day trip to Boulogne in October 2024 - [please click here](#) for further information and to register your interest.

National Space Centre Trip

The science department is organising a day visit to the National Space Centre. We have decided to take 3 forms (7JS, 7LD and 7RG) on the 8th July 2024 and the remaining 2 forms (7BM and 7KP) on the 10th July 2024 please [click here](#) to view the letter and further information.

Mrs. B Wood - HOY

Year 8

Year 8 Activity Day Tuesday 2nd July

Our ambition is for all students in the year group to take part in the day, run by SSG on site here at ETA . Please [click here](#) for further information. If you wish your child to take part in the event please can you complete the Google Consent Form via the link below no later than Friday 21st of June 2024.
[Activity Day Consent Form](#)

Year 9

Macbeth Text

Our current Year 9 students will begin studying for their English Literature GCSE in September, beginning with William Shakespeare's 'Macbeth' Please [click here](#) for further information and how to purchase a copy via ParentMail.

Year 10

Maths

Students have been set an online task to complete at the Mathswatch website. This must be completed by Friday 28th June, for **either** the Foundation tier **or** the Higher tier. This is part of the extensive package of support that the Mathematics team offers our students, in addition to the work covered in our lessons.

Parents will receive an email with the score achieved, in the week commencing Monday 1st July. We will follow up on students who do not complete the work to a good standard during lunchtimes from Monday 1st July.

Year 10 History Trip

Please bring passport and E/GHIC cards to Ms Young in C7 from Monday - thank you.
wyoung@bestacademies.org.uk

Parliament Tour & Imperial War Museum Trip: Years 10 and 12

This is a combined year 10 and 12 trip, and open to all year 10 and 12 Sociology and Criminology students, and year 12 History students. Parents/carers should now have received a letter containing all of the trip details. The deadline for completing the consent form and making payments is the 8th July. Thank you Ms W Young.

Mrs. S Bailey - HOY

Year 11

Sixth Form Taster Day

Year 11 students who have been issued with a conditional offer letter will be attending a Taster Day on **June 26th**. This is a great opportunity to experience lessons in their subjects of choice, discover the enrichment opportunities available and enjoy our new Sixth Form centre. Please add the date to your diary and complete this google form to let us know if you will be attending or not: [Sixth Form Induction Day - Attendance Form...](#)



Exams Update

We wish our Year 12s the best of luck as they begin their first set of formal mocks next week. Students need only attend school when they have their exams and these have been given to the students. These results will form part of their predicted grades for their university or apprenticeship applications next year and students have been working hard revising to ensure they get the best marks possible.

Exams are run in accordance with JCQ regulations. It is important that students are familiar with these guidelines.

Please see the below links:

[Information for Candidate - Preparing to sit your exams](#)

[Information for Candidates - Written Examinations](#)

[Information for Candidates - Social Media](#)

Fundraising

This week students sold ice pops to the Junior School students and raised £60. The proceeds of the sale will be shared between future junior school activities and also a LGBTQIA+ registered charity Stonewall.org.uk. The charity provides a wide range of support and information to the LGBTQIA+ community, including helplines for both parents and children.

Work Experience Reminder

1st - 5th July sees our Year 12s enjoying their first Work Experience week and we hope they really enjoy the experience. Students have secured their own placements in fields they are interested in. The insights and transferable skills they gain will set them apart in their applications, as well as making contacts that may assist them gaining future employment.

UCAS Evening

We would like to invite Year 12 parents to a UCAS information evening on Wednesday 10th July 6-7pm in the school hall. The purpose of the evening is to explain the university application system to parents and advise parents on how they can support their child during the application process.

Personal statements

This week students started to write their personal statements in preparation for applying to university or apprenticeships. They were given a [presentation](#) on Wednesday about what to include and how to structure their statements and these can be found on their Google Classrooms. Students are writing their statements on Unifrog, where there is also plenty of support and example personal statements. Please remember that students' work should be their own- any forms of plagiarism are caught by UCAS and this can result in applications being rejected

Dress Code Reminder

As the weather is getting warmer, please can students and parents remind themselves of our [dress code](#) expectations. Whilst we have a smart casual policy, we do expect students to wear clothing that is appropriate for a professional working environment. Clothing should not be see-through and should cover shoulders, chest, midriff and thighs. Footwear should be appropriate for the school and learning community (no flip flops/sliders)

Induction Reminder (and Year 11)

We are very excited to welcome our second cohort into the Sixth Form on Wednesday 26th June for their induction day. Students have been sent a plan for the day and should arrive from 8.20 for a breakfast in the Sixth Form centre. Teachers have been busy planning taster lessons to give you a real insight into what their subjects look like at KS5. We would be grateful if students would complete this form to confirm their attendance. [Sixth Form Induction Day Form](#)

Driving Lesson / Test - Permission Form

We encourage our students in learning how to drive and support this by allowing students to book lessons during their study periods. However, students must avoid booking a driving lesson or test during a timetabled lesson. By completing the google form below, you are giving permission for your child to leave school in order to attend their driving lesson and/or test. [Driving Permission Form](#)

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Attendance

Our expectation is that students are here for 95% of the time. It is proven that the higher the attendance the higher the grades. We would urge that holidays were not booked during term time. If your child is unwell, please encourage them to attend and we will endeavour to support them here. If a student will not be attending school, please contact the Sixth Form team by phone or email: lschumann@bestacademies.org.uk

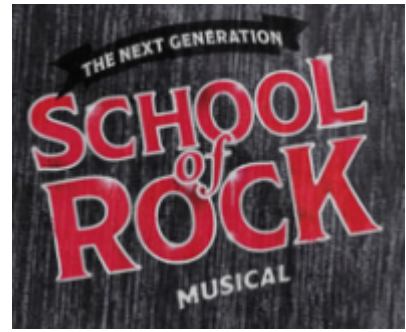
CLUB INFORMATION



LAMDA - jbrahmacharilimb@bestacademies.org.uk dates for after half term are; 24 June and the exam is Monday 1 July - no session after school. Please [click here](#) to view the LAMDA showcase letter and invitation to parents to view the hard work of our LAMDA students.

School of Rock - School of Rock Rehearsals are every Thursday after school till 5pm in the main school hall. Children should have already signed up via Epraise. All students must bring their script, pencil and water bottle to every rehearsal.

All students must prioritise the school production, ensuring that they meet all rehearsals on schedule. If your child is involved in the tech production day, they must prioritise the school production. The schedule is tight and challenging to work round, so we appreciate your support.



Parents and guardians of students taking part in this year's **School of Rock** performance please [click here](#) to view Mrs Brahmachari-Limb's letter which details rehearsal dates and important performance information.

Sunday 7th July there will be a dress rehearsal for School of Rock! Please register your child to attend by completing the google form below:

[School of Rock Sunday Rehearsal Form](#)

If you have any questions please email jbrahmacharilimb@bestacademes.org.uk

Homework timetable - [click here to view](#).

Homework Club runs every Monday and Tuesday after school with Miss Nicole.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION



- Take a look at other community events, promotions and things happening in the area [click here](#)
- Children's services also have some child focused learning opportunities coming up.
- Details can be found in the community events section of our website too.
- St Peters Tide Summer Fayre - [click here](#)
- Saturday morning music club run by **Inspiring Music** CBC - [click here](#) to view
- Please [click here](#) to view the local **Children's Centre** timetable.
- Ivel Valley Coffee Morning and Chat - [12 July](#)
- Hitchin Film Makers Club - [click here](#)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

What's Happening

Mon 24 June	LAMDA Parent Showcase 5 - 7pm / Wadham Project
Tues 25 June	Year 4 Parent Information Evening / Total Clothing
Weds 26 June	Sixth Form Induction Day
Thurs 27 / Fri 28 June	D of E Silver
Fri 28 June	Year 11 Prom & SEND Primary Step up morning
Mon 1 July	Year 12 Criminology Workshop & LAMDA exams / Start of Sixth Form Work Experience Week
Tues 2 - 4 July	Yr 10 History Trip
Thurs 4 July	Brilliant Club Graduation
Fri 5 July	Step up day
Mon 8 July	Year 7 Science Trip / Start of Bikeability week for Yr 5 and 6 who have a place in the cycling workshop.
Tues 9 July	Yr 8 HPV Vaccines
Wed 10 July	Yr 7 Science Trip / Sixth Form UCAS Info Evening
Mon 15 July	Parliament Tour & Imperial War Museum Yr 10 & Yr 12

Everyone is respectful - Together we care - Always aim higher

You are receiving this because you are a Student, Parent, Carer, Governor or Member of Staff at ETA.

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