

Etonbury Academy Weekly Update – 23 March 2018

All/Mixed Years

- **No Parking at Larksfield Surgery** - We have been made aware that some of our parents and carers are parking at Larksfield Surgery at the end of school in order to pick up their children. This has made their car park very busy and is leading to parking problems for surgery users. Recently it led to difficulties in getting an ambulance into the car park.

Please can we remind parents and carers that they are **not** to use the surgery car park for picking up students from school.

- **Trousers** – Please can we remind you that students are required to wear grey tailored trousers and **NOT** black trousers. We will be having uniform checks in the Summer Term, so please ensure your children are wearing these after the Easter holidays.
- **WWF's Earth Hour (Fri 23rd Mar)** - Millions of people around the planet take part in WWF's Earth Hour every year. Last year around 9 million took part in the UK alone by turning lights out for 60 minutes at 8.30pm. Etonbury turned off lights in rooms where appropriate today to show our support. Year 6 Josh Winter pioneered our efforts.
- **PE Clubs List Spring Term 2** – Please [click here](#)
- **Clubs List Spring Term 2018** –Please [click here](#) to view our latest Clubs List.
- **Cabaret - Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th March**

TWO NIGHTS, TWO COMPLETELY DIFFERENT SHOWS

Tickets - We have opened up a few more tickets via parent mail.

If you have bought tickets these will be available to collect from the finance office window by your child on Monday.

Performers

- All students performing in cabaret have a rehearsal during the day on Tuesday.
- For dancers this will be a dress rehearsal and they will need their costume and backstage crew can come in comfortable clothing that may get dusty.
- Other performers will be in school uniform.
- On the evening of the performance all students should bring with them any backstage refreshment (drink and snacks) they will want for the evening.
- Students should know what they are wearing for the performance.
- Most students in musical ensembles are wearing black clothes on their lower half and a plain coloured top.
- Performers should be at school by 6:30 on the evening of their performance and enter via Student Services to meet in the Music and Drama rooms.

Audience

- The Pendleton car park will be open and you will enter via the Student Services door where your tickets will be checked and then you will be able to take your places in the hall from 6:30.
- There will be refreshments served in the hall.
- The show times are 7-9pm.
- If anyone is coming who requires wheelchair access then please let us know in advance.

If you have any further questions then please e-mail ehardy@bestacademies.org.uk

- **Sustrans Big Pedal 2018 (23rd Apr - 4th May)** - It's a national competition that we enter every year with the aim of getting as many students, parents and staff to cycle to school on those dates.
- **Science** – The science department need an old rubber doormat for their physics department or a car rubber foot well mat. We would like 2 litre fizzy drinks bottles and could also do with any old used water Brita type filters-as we can re-use the carbon inside them. We also need clean, empty baked bean tin cans and a small wooden stool or wooden box to use with our physics van de graph. Thank you for all your kind donations so far. A huge thank you to the parents of Finn for donating a light source for the leica microscope that we have here.
- **Lunch Menu** – Week 2. Please [click here](#).

Year 5

- **Bikeability** –Those who have a place on the course will be notified shortly. Thank you.

Year 6

- **Easter School** – Please [click here](#) for more information
- **Yr 6 Parents evening (Mon 26th Mar)** – Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **Ski Trip 2019 expression of interest** – Please [click here](#) for more information and to register your child's interest.
- **SATs Homework Club (Mon – Thurs afterschool)** – Please [click here](#) for more information about SATs homework club.

Year 7

- **Ski Trip 2019 expression of interest** – Please [click here](#) for more information and to register your child's interest.
- **Mr Geer's Year 7 PE group** - Mr Geer will be doing lacrosse. Students will need layers, full kit and football boots.

Year 8

- **Ski Trip 2019 expression of interest** – Please [click here](#) for more information and to register your child's interest.
- **Berlin Trip** - There are a few additional places available for the Berlin Trip if there are any students that have decided that they would like to come but missed the initial deadline please email Mr Corbett on dcorbett@bestacademies.org.uk
We are looking for parent volunteers to assist with the trip. If you feel you would be interested in helping or have any relevant experience, for example studied 20th century History or fluent in German please email me using the above address.

Year 9

- **Year 9 Tests** - From Monday 16th April all Year 9 students will be taking tests in lessons. These tests will be during the weeks Monday 16th and Monday 23rd April. Please [click here](#) to view the test timetable.
- **Year 9 Revision Topics** – Please [click here](#) to view the topics that should be revised for each subject. Students have also been emailed this via Show my Homework and given a timetable of when their tests will take place. If your son/daughter is unsure of anything it is important that they seek advice/guidance from their subject teacher sooner rather than later. They also have access to GCSE Pod, a great revision resource, accessible here, www.GCSEPOD.com
- **Ski Trip 2019 expression of interest** – Please [click here](#) for more information and to register your child's interest.
- **Science** - We have had many questions as a department about revision materials - especially years 9 and 10. We would recommend the following books as a very solid starting point for revision and practice. The CGP books are very well written, there is a revision book available and exam practice workbooks. This has all been put onto Show my homework with the relevant links for which class tier you are in but if you are unsure please check with their teacher before buying. Please note you are under no obligation to buy these, they are only a suggestion.
- **Year 9 Drama Exam Revision Support** - Please encourage your son/daughter to revise for their Drama Exam by using the links below. I have put these on the Google classroom for all students to access too. Please check they are revising for the exams coming up after the holiday.

Year 9 reminder - please check to make sure your son/daughter has their monologues/duologues for unit 3 mocks ready. Any problems, please contact Mrs JBL who will be able to help before the holiday in April. Year 9's you should have your SELECTIONS by Thursday 19th April. Any problems contact - jbrahmacharilimb@bestacademies.org.uk

WRITTEN EXAM PAPER UNIT 1

General revision - key language and roles and responsibilities knowledge - all units- <https://www.bbc.com/education/subjects/zbckjxs>

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Year 10

- **Year 10 Mock Examinations** – *Please note there has been a change of date for the Food Tech practical this will now be on Tuesday 17th April.* Year 10 mock exams will be held Monday 23rd April through to Friday 4th May. All students will have received a personalised exam timetable. Please [click here](#) for a letter explaining more about the mock examinations. Please [click here](#) to view the mock examinations timetable. Please [click here](#) to view the topics that should be revised for each subject. Students have also been emailed this via Show my Homework. If your son/daughter is unsure of anything it is important that they seek advice/guidance from their subject teacher sooner rather than later. They also have access to GCSE Pod, a great revision resource, accessible here, www.GCSEPOD.com
- **Year 10 Drama Students** - I have popped all checklists for GCSE written coursework homework on Google classroom and show my homework, please check this carefully and support accordingly. Please contact jbrahmacharilimb@bestacademies.org.uk
As we are working towards important deadlines for final practical and written coursework (40%) I would like parents to be aware of the following to support:
Monday 23rd April - Period 3 and 4 - FINAL PERFORMANCE
All FINAL written coursework must be handed in by Friday 18th May at the very, very latest!
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Other Items of Interest

- **Stotfold 5K Challenge 2018** (Sun 10th June) – [click here](#) for more details
- **Jack Collison Easter School** – Please [click here](#) for more details.
- **Christina Marks Dance Club (Tues afterschool)** – Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **BEST Vacancies** – Please [click here](#) for more information. There are current vacancies for Principal, English Teacher, Baby Room Leader and Nursery Nurses.

- **Stotfold Juniors Wildcats Girls' Football Clubs** - We will be running 2 centres this year at the following venues: Saturday morning at 9:30 – 10:30am from the 14th April until the 28th July (excluding Whitsun weekend) at the 3G pitch at Pendleton Sports Centre, Etonbury Academy and Tuesday evening at 6-7pm from the 10th April until the 24th July (Excluding Half Term) at JITG Chicksands (Army Camp), Shefford, SG17 5PR. Please contact Ian Corner on 07776154826 or Email Info@StotfoldJuniorsdc.co.uk
- **Easter holiday mountain bike sessions** are being offered by British Cycling in Leighton Buzzard. Rushmere Park would make a fantastic day trip, for those members of the family not involved in the cycling sessions – you can bring the dog and visit the café. [Click here](#) to view Easter Holiday MTB sessions.
- **North Herts Knights** – Under 14s 1 day Easter Basketball Camp – Tuesday 3rd April 2018 10am – 3.30pm. To book please contact Jo Daniels: jodaniels_nhknights@btinternet.com

Dates for your Diary

Cabaret performance - Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th March

Stotfold 5K Challenge 2018 – Sunday 10th June

Easter holidays – Last day Thursday 29th March 2018 returning on Monday 16th April 2018. [Click here](#) for Etonbury Academy 2017/2018 term dates.

Let us know what you think about these emails. Have you got any suggestions? Please email etaoffice@bestacademies.org.uk