

Etonbury Academy Weekly Update – 12 January 2018

All/Mixed Years

- **Nut Free School** – This a polite reminder that we are a 'Nut Free School', please be mindful of this when sending food items into school with your children.
- **Badminton Club** - Wednesday 24th January will be cancelled (KS2).
- **Clubs List Spring Term 2018** –Please [click here](#) to view our latest Clubs List.
- **Safeguarding** - I wanted to remind parents about the safeguarding team at the school- Mr Redding is the Designated Safeguarding Lead other safeguarding officers are Mrs McGuire (Deputy Safeguarding Lead), Mrs Mew, Mrs McNamara and Mrs Smyth. The safeguarding page on the school website is accessible by [clicking here](#). Many thanks. Mr C Redding
- **SENDCo** - Mrs Mew has now returned to work after maternity leave. The SENDCo role is now covered full time. Mrs Whent will be in Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Mew Wednesday to Friday.

Please email all enquiries to

ETA-SEN@bestacademies.org.uk. This will ensure that nothing ever gets missed. **Apologies if you have emailed ETA-SEN and had no response, we have now resolved the problem, thank you to those who identified emails were not getting through.**

- **Afterschool Sports Clubs** - Netball, Hockey and Rugby after school clubs will finish at 4:30pm until further notice due to the lack of light.
- **Music Clubs** - It's not too late to join extra-curricular music clubs. The New Year has begun and we are starting new music to prepare for our next public performance - **Cabaret**.

Come and join us in the music rooms 1-1:30.

Monday Lunchtime - **Choir** (Yrs 5-8)

Tuesday Lunchtime - **String Group**

Wednesday Lunchtime - **Wind Band**

Thursday Lunchtime - **Senior Choir** (Yrs 9+)

Friday Lunchtime - **School Band**

- **Singing Teacher** - We have a new singing teacher starting at Etonbury. If you enjoy singing but want to learn how to control your sound, be louder and and increase your vocal range then visit the Inspiring Music website and sign up for lessons.
<https://www.inspiringmusic.co.uk/lessons-schools/suitable-instrument/>
- **BEST Production of Alice in Wonderland Auditions (Lower and Middle School)** – Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **BEST Orchestra Invite** – Please [click here](#) if your child is interested in joining the BEST Orchestra.
- **LAMDA** will commence on Wednesday 17th January. If there are any students who would like to apply in the future we have 2 places come up. Parents please contact me directly on jbrahmacharilimb@besatacademies.org.uk Thanks
- **Logging into the Google Suite from Home** - This includes Google Classroom, student emails and anything they need to get to on their Google Drive/Chromebooks. Please [click here](#) for a guide on how to do this.
- **PE Clubs List Spring Term** – Please [click here](#).

- **Emergency school closure** – In the event of a school closure, you should receive a text message, but please also check our website for updates.
- **Compasses for Maths and Science** - For Year 7 onwards we would like all children, if possible, to have a compass as part of their equipment for these lessons. Thank you.
- **Science** – Thank you for all your kind donations. The Science department would still like ice cream tubs, beer bottle tops and drinks cans(not beer), small empty coke plastic bottles (500ml) and old cd's, old marble run game and a maths balance.
- **Science** -We have a Leica Wild m3z Microscope but unfortunately we are missing the light source. We are asking that if there is anybody whom has any contacts at for example 'GSK' or knows of anyone we could contact in order to help us gain one.
- **Lunch Menu** – Week 2. Please [click here](#).

Year 5

- **Condover Trip Meeting (Mon29th Jan)** - Condover Hall Parent/Pupil Meeting. Monday 29th January 2018, The School Hall, 5.30 start.

All pupils and their parent/carers must attend to receive the final details of the trip. Pupils will find out their day and night groups during the evening. Please drive onto the site carefully and park on the school playground. Your child will direct you to the main hall. Please sign in on the sheets provided at the front of the hall. All pupils to sit at the front and parents on the raised seating. Thank you.

- **Condover Hall Residential Trip Kit List** – Please [click here](#) for the kit list.

Year 6

- **SATs Homework Club (Mon – Thurs afterschool)** – Please [click here](#) for more information about SATs homework club.

Year 7

- **Chromebooks** - We are delighted to report that the first batch of Chromebooks ordered under our new scheme has been issued to students of Yrs7-10. If there is further demand for more as part of this excellent deal we will order more in the New Year.

Year 8

- **Chromebooks** - We are delighted to report that the first batch of Chromebooks ordered under our new scheme has been issued to students of Yrs7-10. If there is further demand for more as part of this excellent deal we will order more in the New Year.

Year 9

- **Chromebooks** - We are delighted to report that the first batch of Chromebooks ordered under our new scheme has been issued to students of Yrs7-10. If there is further demand for more as part of this excellent deal we will order more in the New Year.

Year 10

- **Chromebooks** - We are delighted to report that the first batch of Chromebooks ordered under our new scheme has been issued to students of

Yrs7-10. If there is further demand for more as part of this excellent deal we will order more in the New Year.

Other Items of Interest

- **SEND Services Bedfordshire** - Satisfaction of SEND services in Central Bedfordshire Survey - have your say. Please click on the following link which asks parents how well they consider that Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) and Bedfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group (BCCG) services identify children and young people with SEND, meet their needs and effectively improve outcomes for those children and young people.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/G6YVBNW>

- **Christina Marks Dance Club (Tues afterschool)** – Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **University of Bedfordshire Introduction to Early Years Settings Course** – next 6 week course starts in Biggleswade on Friday 9 February 2018. For more information please [click here](#).
- **Helen O Grady Drama Group** – Please [click here](#) for more details.
- **Biggleswade Rotary Swimathon** – Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **TeenAid** – First Aid Course for Children Aged 10-16. Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **Etonbury Vacancies** – As we continue to grow, we will be looking for outstanding teachers and newly qualified teachers interested in working at our academy to start in September 2018. If you, or you know someone who would like to be kept informed of teaching opportunities with us please email vlockey@bestacademies.org.uk to register interest.
- **BEST Vacancies** - Exam Invigiliators, Nursery Room Leader. Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **Fairfield Park Vacancies** – Please visit <https://www.fairfield.beds.sch.uk> for more information current vacancies.

Dates for your Diary

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