

Etonbury Academy Weekly Update - 1 March 2019

Week commencing Mon 4 Mar - Timetable A

All/Mixed Years

- **Momo Challenge – Important advice for parents**

This issue first hit the headlines in the summer of 2018. It is a game of challenge that targets young children on social media. The face of this craze is a creepy doll like figure with bulging eyes. It appears to encourage young children to add a contact on messaging service WhatsApp, then hounds them with violent images and dares. Rather than react to all the current reporting of this phenomenon we should take the opportunity to ensure our young people are being safe online. [Click here](#) to an internet matters page with some advice on this subject.

Police have offered this advice:

- Ensure you know what your children can access online
- Ensure children understand the importance of not giving personal information to anyone they do not know
- Tell your children no-one has the right to make them do anything they do not want to do
- Use parental controls to keep children safe.

Thanks for your support. *Mr Redding*

- **Music Tour to Lake Garda (Sun 12 Jul - Sat 18 Jul 2020) -**

[Click here](#) to view the trip information letter and details of the payment schedule.

- **Drama KS3 /KS4 (Years 7 - 11)** - Students will be studying 'The Woman in Black' and 'Blood Brothers'.
- **Music Department** - Etonbury Music department now has a Twitter Page. Search **ETA_MUSIC** and follow us to keep up to date on all the latest information about the department including shows and rehearsals.
- **PE Notice** - if your child is doing football in PE this half term, they require football boots and shin pads.
- **Science Department** - Any clean plastic milk bottle lids would be much appreciated.
- **Lunch Menu** - Week 2. Please [click here](#).

Year 5

- **KS2 World Book Day (Thu 7 Mar)** - £1 donation for non-uniform. It would be great to see as many students as possible dressing up as their favourite character. There will be prizes for the best character. The £1 donation will go towards new reading books for the school. There is also a bunting competition for all year groups, with prizes awarded to the winner in each year group. [Click here](#) for more information and the bunting template.
- **Cheerleading Club cancelled until September 2019** - Due to unforeseen circumstances Cheerleading will be cancelled for the rest of this academic year.
- **Dance Club** - There will be **NO Year 5 Dance Club** after school for the next 3 weeks due to Parents' Evenings and mock exams taking place in the gym. **It will resume Wed 13 Mar 3.30pm - 4.30pm.**

Year 6

- **KS2 World Book Day (Thu 7 Mar)** - £1 donation for non-uniform. It would be great to see as many students as possible dressing up as their favourite character. There will be prizes for the best character. The £1 donation will go towards new reading books for the school. There is also a bunting competition for all year groups, with prizes awarded to the winner in each year group. [Click here](#) for more information and the bunting template.
- **Mock SATs** - We are so proud of all our Year 6 students who have worked really hard this week. Thank you for your support and have a lovely relaxing weekend, they all deserve it.
- **Cheerleading Club cancelled until September 2019** - Due to unforeseen circumstances Cheerleading will be cancelled for the rest of this academic year.

Year 7

- **EACA Disco expression of interest - KS3 (Thu 4 Apr) 6.30pm - 8.30pm** [Click here](#) to fill out the Google form if your child is interested in attending.

Year 8

- **Subject Choices** - Please [click here](#) to view a copy of the letter sent home today with your child regarding changes to their curriculum as they enter Year 9 in September. Attached to the paper copy sent home with your child is a copy of the consultation form completed by them this week. This may help when making their subject choices.
- **Parents' Consultation (Wed 6 Mar) 4.00pm - 6.30pm** - The booking system will close on Mon 4 Mar at midnight. [Click here](#) to book your appointments for all subjects.
- **EACA Disco expression of interest - KS3 (Thu 4 Apr) 6.30pm - 8.30pm** [Click here](#) to fill out the Google form if your child is interested in attending.

Year 9

- **GCSE Dance Students (Mon 4 Mar) All day** - An AQA dance teacher will be teaching 3 dances, set by AQA in the hall all day. Students must go to form to register first before making their way to the hall for lesson 1.

Year 10

- **GCSE Drama (Tue 14 May)** - Drama practical's will take place in lessons. The work will be videoed and is part of the final coursework GCSE grade. A running order will be available and posted outside the drama studio on the notice board. Your child must check this carefully for their allotted time slot. It is crucial that your child attends the performance assessment (worth 40% of final grade).
- **GCSE Dance Students (Mon 4 Mar) All day** - An AQA dance teacher will be teaching 3 dances, set by AQA in the hall all day. Students must go to form to register first before making their way to the hall for lesson 1.

Year 11

- **GCSE Examinations important information** - [Click here](#) for the letter concerning GCSE information handed to students today. [Click here](#) to view the information booklet for all students. [Click here](#) to view the GCSE Exam timetable.
- **GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition (Mon 4 Mar - Tue 5 Mar)** – Students will be sitting their Food Practical Assessment on one of these two days. Please could you ensure that they have their ingredients and any other equipment necessary to cook their dishes. Any questions please contact rjpage@bestacademies.org.uk or jashby@bestacademies.org.uk.
- **Drama** – Students should now be sourcing all their materials and busy learning lines for their practical exam. Please support your child at home and help them to find all the resources for their sets/costumes. A revision pack has been provided 'Understanding Drama for written Exam' – students need to go through this to support their written exam in May.
Running order times for Groups will go up on the Drama Notice Board. Any problems contact jbrahmacharilimb@bestacademies.org.uk.
- **GCSE Geography Trip to Walton on the Naze (Mon 18 Mar) 9.00am - 4.20pm** - [Click here](#) to view the trip information.
- **GCSE History Revision** - Reminder that extra revision sessions are running Wednesday after school (with the exception of parents evening nights) and Friday lunchtime from 2.00pm. [Click here](#) to view the schedule. Also, please follow @ETAhistory on Twitter for revision and extra information.
- **Parents' Guide to Revision and Mock Exams** - [Click here](#) to view a Parents' Guide to Revision - GCSEs: What can a parent do? Which we hope you find useful in preparation for your child's Mock Exams after Half Term.
- **GCSE Dance Students (Mon 4 Mar) All day** - An AQA dance teacher will be teaching 3 dances, set by AQA in the hall all day. Students must go to form to register first before making their way to the hall for lesson 1.
- **GCSE Geography Revision (Tue 5 March) 2.00pm - 2.30pm** - Resource Management Revision - Room 7.
- **GCSE Science Revision (Wednesdays) 3.30pm - 3.45pm** - Please sign up on the sheet on the lab door from Tuesday. This will also give the topic for the session.
- **GCSE Dance Students (Mon 18 Mar)** - Students will have their official GCSE Dance filming for the 4 dances they are required to perform/choreograph. It will take place during lessons 3 and 4 (double GCSE Dance lesson in the hall).
- **GCSE Art and Photography Students** -
GCSE Photography Exam dates - Mon 25 Mar to Thu 28 Mar 2019.
GCSE Art Exam dates - Tue 2 Apr and Wed 3 Apr 2019.
- **GCSE Drama Exams (Thu 4 Apr and Fri 5 Apr)** -
Drama Practical - Thu 4 Apr (dress and tech set up)
Exam - Fri 5 Apr (external exam with AQA) in the Drama Studio.
Students are expected to attend ALL lessons leading up to the Drama Exam and also (if necessary) attend the Monday lunchtime sessions for extra support.
- **Key Dates** - Please [click here](#) to view the important Examination Dates coming up in 2019.

Other Items of Interest

- **Etonbury Vacancies** - Primary Teacher and Maths Teacher. [Click here](#) for more information.
- **BEST Vacancies** - Director of Netball, Maths Teacher and SEN Learning Support Assistant. [Click here](#) for more information.

Dates for your Diary

Mon 4 Mar - GCSE Dance Students - all day dance class

Mon 4 Mar - Tue 5 Mar - Food Practical Assessments

Wed 6 Mar - Year 8 Parents' Consultation

Thu 7 Mar - World Book Day

Mon 18 Mar - Year 11 GCSE Geography Trip to Walton on the Naze

Mon 18 Mar - Year 11 GCSE Dance filming

Wed 20 Mar - BEST Orchestra Easter Concert held at SWA

Mon 25 Mar - Thu 28 Mar - Year 11 GCSE Photography Exams

Wed 27 Mar - Thu 28 Mar - Cabaret Evening

Tue 2 Apr - Wed 3 Apr - Year 11 GCSE Art Exams

Thu 4 Apr - Fri 5 Apr - Year 11 GCSE Drama Exams

Mon 8 Apr - Thu 18 Apr - Easter Holidays

Fri 19 Apr - Bank Holiday

Mon 22 Apr - Bank Holiday

Tue 23 Apr - Return to school for Summer Term

Mon 13 May - Fri 14 Jun - GCSE Exams

Wed 26 Jun - GCSE Exam Contingency Day

Wed 26 Jun - Etonbury Dance Show

Wed 3 Jul - LAMDA Evening

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