

Etonbury Academy Weekly Update – 8 December 2017

All/Mixed Years

- **Christmas Dinner (Weds 13th Dec)** – On this date we will be serving Christmas Dinner only (Turkey/Quorn roast and all the trimmings). Please confirm via this Google form whether your child will be having a dinner (£2.30), or bringing a packed lunch so we can ensure everyone is able to participate on this day. No cash is required on the day, just payment via the machines or online as usual. **Please complete this by 12 noon on Wednesday 6th December** for each child. **There will be no break time service available on this day.** Please click on the following link to complete the form. <https://goo.gl/forms/8XKIhwbiOOI0HWKs1>
- **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.

- **Study Centre Amazon Wish List** - 🎁🌟 with the festive gifting season upon us a wish list has been compiled should parents/carers be shopping on Amazon UK and would like to also gift a book for students to borrow from our school library (Study Centre) 🎁🌟 Please find the list *Etonburystudycentre* <https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/registry/wishlist/?ie=UTF8&cid=A3DE28VTHBPBVX>
If you would like your donation to have a bookplate detailing who was kind enough to donate please enter the details when ordering. Thank you in advance from the students & Merry Christmas! Mrs F Norman, Librarian
- **Fundraising for Etonbury Farm** - Sophie Williams, is taking part in a Christmas day swim to raise money for our Etonbury Farm! Such an amazing thing to do!! Please visit Sophie's JustGiving page if you can spare a little this Christmas.
https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/sophie-williams-3?utm_id=2&utm_term=WAadWpamA
- **School Library Books** - **ALL** due for return to the Study Centre by Friday, 15th December - please remind your children to bring in their loans before this date.
- **Consultation on the BEST Admissions policy Sept 19** – There is a six week consultation on proposed changes to the admissions policy. Further details can be accessed on our website [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.
- **Etonbury Christmas Concert (Weds 13th Dec)** – Every student that attends extra-curricular music clubs should be performing in the concert. Please could parental consent for attendance be given on the following Google form link. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc8I6bRqbR6YMHSJv7IVXxCNNOboDyBUhqCc9DtaWeiC4EY4w/viewform?usp=sf_link

The concert will be in the main school hall on **Wednesday 13th December at 7pm**. It will be free entry but there will be a bar selling refreshments, provided by EACA and buckets on the door collecting donations for 'The Need Project'.

'The Need Project' is a local charity which attempts to relieve persons in central Bedfordshire and the surrounding area that are in poverty or financial hardship including;

- providing food packages to support individuals and families who are experiencing food deprivation.*
- providing other items to meet immediate and essential needs, as resources allow.*
- developing other forms of support to meet immediate need and alleviate financial hardship.*

Performers

- Will need to be at school by 6:30pm with any refreshments or entertainment you require for the evening as well as any instruments or music you require for your act.
- Will need to wear school uniform but you may bring tinsel and Christmas hats.
- Must have parental permission to be at the concert. Please follow the link above to complete the Google form.
I will look forward to seeing you there!
- **Science** – Over the Christmas period the science department would be grateful for sweet tubs, ice cream tubs, beer bottle tops and drinks cans(not beer) pringle tubs, small empty coke plastic bottles (500ml) and old cd's.
- **Thank you to Henlow Building Supplies** for donating some ceramic tiles to the Science department.
- **Lunch Menu** – Next week's lunch menu is Week 2. Please [click here](#).

Year 5

- **Roald Dahl Celebration Afternoon (12th Dec)** – Please [click here](#).
- **'Scroogical' Pantomime Visit to School (Mon 18th Dec)** – Please [click here](#) for more details.

Year 6

Year 7

Year 8

Year 9

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Year 10

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Other Items of Interest

- **Community Carol Evening (16 Dec)** – Edgeworth House, 121 High Street, Arlesey. 6pm.
- **Jack Collison Christmas Football Camp** – Please [click here](#) for more details.
- **British Judo Club** – A new Judo club is starting on 6th December.Wednesdays at 4.15 pm at the Henlow Park Pavillion, SG16 6AP. Please contact 01509 631671.
- **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** - Teacher of PE, Learning Support Assistant and Finance Assistant. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Dinner (deadline for Google form Weds 6th Dec)

Wednesday 13th December – Etonbury Christmas Concert

Tuesday 19th December – Last day of Term

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