

Etonbury Academy Weekly Update – 29 September 2017

All/Mixed Years

- **Dr Bike** - Opportunities for Bike Safety at Etonbury
Mon 9th October - Y9/10 bike security marking 3:30pm
Tues 10th October- Y5/6 Dr Bike (all day) & Y5/6 bike security marking 3:30pm
Wed 11th October - Y7/8 Dr Bike (all day) & Y7/8 bike security marking 3:30pm
Thu 12th October - Y9/10 Dr Bike (all day) plus catch ups for other students (depending on availability)

Bike Security Marking - Bedfordshire Police have very kindly given us the opportunity for your child's bike to be security marked. If you wish your child's bike to be marked then please ensure that on the dates above your child follows these instructions; has their bike in school; either knows their post code and house number, or has it written down somewhere they can access it after school. Join the queue after school where instructed (we are anticipating large numbers, students could be waiting for up to an hour)

Please be aware that if these sessions could be cancelled last minute due to the need and demand of the police force. We apologise in advance if this occurs, but it cannot be helped. A message will be passed on to your child as soon as we know.

To coincide with the security marking, Dr Bike will also be in school on the dates mentioned above. Dr Bike will examine and repair any minor faults to your child's bike for free. Students must get a sticker in the morning from the team and leave their bike where instructed. Their bike will be available at the end of the day and any repaired bikes will have a note attached stating the work that has been carried out.

- **Bike Locks** – If your child is biking to school please check they are using their bike lock.
- **Scientific Calculators** – It would be very useful for all Year 7's and above to have a scientific calculator. These are often used in Maths and Science lessons and will be required in some tests. The Casio FX-85 is a good example of what the students will need.
- **Happy School Bag Scheme** - Etonbury Farm is thrilled to be taking part in the Happy School Bag Scheme. Happy School Bag is a fundraising scheme that helps schools raise funds through the collection of unwanted yet reusable clothing. Your child will be coming home with a bag next week! Please fill the bags ready for the collection on the 7th November. For more information please [click here](#). Thank you. Mrs Goldsmith
- **Show My Homework** - We use Show My Homework for all homework requirements. All students and parents should have a login, if your child has lost or forgotten their login then they can ask any teacher (including their form tutor) for this information. Students can also obtain the parent pin in the same way. Please note that the parent part of SMH is different to the child's and each has their own pin.
- **Farm Club**- Due to health and safety regulations, the lunch time farm clubs are restricted to 8 students. After an overwhelming number of students

wishing to attend, a weekly sign-up sheet has now been placed on Mrs Goldsmith's door. KS2 Wednesday, KS3 & KS4 Thursday. Students wishing to attend Friday's after school club, must bring in a change of clothes.

- **Second Hand Uniform Shop** – We are planning on setting up a second hand uniform shop. If you have any uniform in good condition that you are happy to donate, these can be taken to our main reception.
- **BEST Orchestra** – This group is held at Samuel Whitbread Academy [click here](#). Reply slips and payment to go directly to Miss Meadows at Samuel Whitbread.
- **LAMDA** - Please ensure that any new students to this scheme have paid through parent mail. All places are now taken.

There will be an evening of performances for LAMDA in the summer term, dates to follow.

- **Cheerleading Clubs** - Please note that until Christmas, Tuesday's Level 1 Cheerleading Club and Friday's Level 2 Cheerleading Club will finish at **4:30pm**. Pupils will be available to pick up at this time from the school.
- **Drama KS4 club** - students will be meeting a charity called Mayak as part of a creative partnership on Monday 9th October at their club. This will take place in drama studio.
- **Dance Mrs Marks** - If there are any students who are interested in joining this club, we still have limited spaces. Please contact jbrahmacharilimb@bestacademies.org.uk
- **School Clubs List Autumn Term** – Please see the attached table which shows the wide range of clubs we offer at Etonbury Academy. Please [click here](#).
- **Music – Dates for your diary** - Pull out your diaries and book up the following evening to enjoy the talents of Etonbury students.

Wednesday 13th Dec; **Etonbury Christmas Concert**
A musical treat to start your seasonal celebrations

Tuesday 27th **and** Wednesday 28th March; **Cabaret**
A joint event of Music, Dance and Drama.

Thursday 12th July; **Summer Concert**
An early summers evening filled with a variety of lighthearted musical entertainment provided by Etonbury's singers and instrumentalists.

All students involved in the music lunch clubs will be involved.

- **Gardening Club** – Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **Science** – We would be grateful for an old rubber doormat, any unwanted Hamma Beads, wind-up toys, old tins with lids (eg golden syrup/treacle or larger coffee tins), nylon fishing line and drink cans eg coca cola (no beer cans). Thank you.
- **PE Clubs List Autumn Term** – Please [click here](#).
- **Lockers** -The lockers are owned by ILS and are available to rent on an annual basis. The rental cost is £25 per year. Go to www.ilsschools.co.uk . There is no discount for lockers booked later in the year. Any queries regarding the lockers are dealt with online by ILS.
- **Lunch Menu** – Next week's lunch menu is Week 1. Please [click here](#).

Year 5

- **Meet the Tutor Evening (Weds 4th Oct)**– On Wednesday 4th October, you are invited to our 'Meet the Tutor' parents evening which will run from 3-6:30pm. All meetings will be held in the Etonbury Juniors building. Parents arriving before the end of the school day will need to come via the Main Reception. Any appointments after this time, please come straight through the gates passed the site agents house. On arrival at Etonbury Juniors, you will need to sign in. All sheets will be located in Miss Fletcher's room: J4 which will also be the waiting area. The Year 5 pupils will be sent over to meet you if your appointment is during school hours.
- Please [click here](#) for more details.
- **Pop up Planetarium (Mon 2nd Oct)** - Year 5's have a visitor from Hertfordshire University with a pop up planetarium and space projector, so each form will get to watch and experience this. Form teachers have the timetable of time slots etc
- **Smartie Appeal** - Help us to support the Smartie Appeal. Each Year 5 class is being given some Smarties tubes to fill to help Little Faces Schools in Kenya. We are aiming to fill the tubes with 20p and £1 coins. 20p would feed a child for a day and £1 would feed a child for a week! So if there are any jobs the students can do to earn money for their Smartie tube: please help us out! They will be collected on Tuesday 31st October. Thank you for your continued support!
- **Homework Timetable** – Please [click here](#).
- **Food Tech Ingredients** - Please [click here](#) for information on how to pay for your child's food tech ingredients.
- **Conover Hall Residential Trip** – First payment/deposit due by 30 September to secure your child's place on this trip. Please [click here](#) for the letter with details of the trip.

Year 6

- **Smarties Appeal** - At the end of last term, pupils were given a Smarties tube to fill with 20p's and £1's to help us support the Little Faces Schools charity. Many of you have already returned them; if you have not and would still like to take part, please return them to Mr Rowland by Tuesday 31st October.
- **Homework Timetable** – Please [click here](#).
- **Food Tech Ingredients** - Please [click here](#) for information on how to pay for your child's food tech ingredients.
- **Harry Potter Trip (Thurs 7th Dec)** - We are delighted to be able to take the year 6 students to the Warner Brother Studios Tour on the 7th December. Please [click here](#) for the letter. We apologise for asking for payment so soon into the new school year but we have to confirm numbers and pay for the tickets at the start of October.

Year 7

- **Homework Timetable** – Please [click here](#)
- **Rugby Afterschool club (Weds 4 Oct)** –Cancelled due to a re-arranged fixture.
- **Food Tech Ingredients** - Please [click here](#) for information on how to pay for your child's food tech ingredients.

Year 8

- **Homework Timetable** – Please [click here](#).
- **Rugby Afterschool club (Weds 4 Oct)** –Cancelled due to a re-arranged fixture.
- **Pop up Planetarium (Mon 2nd Oct)** - Year 5's have a visitor from Hertfordshire University with a pop up planetarium and space projector, so each form will get to watch and experience this. Form teachers have the timetable of time slots etc
- **Life Skills** - Another shout out from Mr Bodger - any old white shirts (school shirts or adult shirts) to be donated and sewing kits (needles and thread) they are willing to donate to this worthy cause, it will be much appreciated.
- **Food Tech Ingredients** - Please [click here](#) for information on how to pay for your child's food tech ingredients.

Year 9

- **Homework Timetable** – Please [click here](#).
- **Rugby Afterschool club (Weds 4 Oct)** –Cancelled due to a re-arranged fixture.

Year 10

- **Homework Timetable** – Please [click here](#).

Other Items of Interest

- **Etonbury Vacancies** - Pastoral Services Manager, Kitchen Assistant and Site Agent. Application packs will be available in the next few days. Please contact Victoria Lockey vlockey@bestacademies.org.uk
- **BEST Vacancies** – Head of Business Studies & Economics, English Teacher, Maths Teacher, Science Teacher, School mini-bus driver and KS2 Teacher. Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **Girls Shefford Saints U14's FC (Years 8 & 9)** – We are looking for new players to join our team. We play on a Saturday morning and training is 5pm-6pm on Monday evenings at Robert Bloomfield. If you are interested in joining our team please contact Ian. Suzeian26@gmail.com or 07766 917645
- **Helen O'Grady Drama Academy**- Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **Stotfold Mill Working Steam Weekend (7 & 8 Oct)** – Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **Salvation Army Stotfold** – Youth Club (Years 6, 7 & 8) starts on Wednesday 23 September at 6.30 pm.
- **Luton Town FC, Skills Performance Centres 2017-18** – Please [click here](#) for more information.

Dates for your Diary

Tues 4th October – Year 5 Meet the Tutor Evening

Fri 20th October – Last day of half term

Tues 31st October – Back to School

Thurs 7th December – Year 6 Trip to Harry Potter, Warner Bros Studios

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