

Etonbury Academy Weekly Update – 22 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.

- **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.
- **Homework Club** - There will be no homework club for KS3 on a Monday due to no up take, all other days will stay the same.
- **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.
- **Parking on site** – Please avoid driving on to site at the start and the end of the school day. We have noticed that the turning circle at the top of the drive is also getting increasingly busy and making it difficult for the bus to drive in, please also avoid this area. Thank you.

- **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.
- **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.
- **LAMDA** - All LAMDA spaces for our acting school are all now taken. Thanks for your interest.
- **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
- **Harry Potter Club, Wednesday Lunchtime Lab2** - Parental permission will be required for all students attending this club as we will be watching the Harry Potter films. This is because the films are a mix of PG and 12 rating. Please click on the following link to give consent. Thank you. <https://goo.gl/forms/izrlYofyA6NU5nJ22>
- **School Clubs List Autumn Term** – Please see the attached table which shows the wide range of clubs we offer at Etonbury Academy. All students are welcome at all clubs (for the year groups/key stage that the student is in). We encourage the students to try a range of clubs but they are welcome to swap and change as the term progresses. During the term some new clubs may be added and the students should look out for the posters advertising them and announcements in assemblies. 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 all old geraniums from summer that can be re-potted. Thank you.
- **PE Department** - The P.E. department are in need of some unwanted drawstring bags. If you have any, please give them to Miss Thomas. Thank you.
- **PE Clubs List Autumn Term** – Please [click here](#).
- **PE footwear** - Your child will need football boots this year for P.E. and Fitness. As some of our lessons and clubs will be held on the 3G pitch it is

essential that the correct football boots are worn. This poster displays what footwear is acceptable and unacceptable, 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 4. Please [click here](#).

Year 5

- **Meet the Tutor Evening** –Please [click here](#) for more details.
- **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!
- **Book bag and Pencil Case from EACA** - All Year 5 students have been given a book bag and pencil case as a gift from our Parents Association, EACA. The book bags should be in school every day as the students will use these to take their equipment to and from their lessons.
- **KS2 Homework Letter** – Please [click here](#) for more information.
- **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** – Please [click here](#) for the letter with details of the trip. You will have already received this via email earlier this week.

Year 6

- **Art Lessons** –Students have been asked to bring in a recyclable plastic bottle for their Alice in Wonderland project. Please bring them in, labelled with the students name for next lesson.
- **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.
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- **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](#)

- **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](#).
- **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](#).

Year 10

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

Other Items of Interest

- **BEST Vacancies** – Head of Business Studies & Economics, English Teacher, Maths Teacher, Science Teacher, Site Agent. 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 3rd October – 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?
Please email etaoffice@bestacademies.org.uk