

Etonbury Academy Weekly Update – 20 January 2017

All Years

- **Biometric Cashless consent (IMMEDIATE response required)** – Our cashless system for canteen purchases will go-live after half term. Your child will have brought home a cashless system information and consent letter. For your child to participate in this scheme we need them to return their paper consent slip to their Form Tutor before Friday 3rd February. Unfortunately, an electronic response is not accepted for this purpose. [Click here](#) to download a further copy of the letter if you do not have one.
- **Lunch clubs** – Students are no longer required to pre-order their lunch if they are attending a lunch club. They will now be able to purchase sandwiches/baguettes/wraps at break time and take it away with them. Please inform your child of this more convenient system.
- **Lunch Menu** – Next week's lunch menu is WEEK 2. Please [click here](#).
- **New online payment system coming soon** – We are delighted to announce we will be introducing a new online payment system which should prove to be much more user friendly than the current system. It will work in conjunction with our cashless system to make payments for school meals, as well as school trips and other purposes. We will keep you informed over the next few weeks.
- **High School Musical Auditions** - All students should have now registered via the Google Form for High School Musical - we regret to inform you that we cannot take any more students.

Please remember that auditions for High School Musical are continuing on Monday 23rd January. If your child has expressed an interest in being part of the back-stage crew you will have been notified separately via email and he/she will not need to attend the after school session. If you are collecting your child at 5:15 please park on the school playground (be aware that it may be very busy) and collect your child from the hall to make sure they are dismissed safely by Mrs Brahmachari-Limb.

- **PE Kit Sponsorship** - We would be very grateful for any parents with their own business or contacts who might like to sponsor us or offer a contribution to our new sports kits and we will obviously have your company's logo on our kits. Please email kthomas@bestacademies.org.uk if you can help. Thank you very much.
- **PE Clubs Spring Term** – Please [click here](#).
- **Clubs List Spring Term** – Please [click here](#).
- **Short Story/Poem Competition** - Do you have a child who loves to write stories and/or poems? Bedfordshire Archives have created a resource of photos, letters, paintings, school log books and diaries to inspire Year 5 – Year 13 students to write a short story or poem. The best entries will receive £20 in book tokens and a further £100 of book tokens for their school. Closing date is 10 Feb 2017.

<http://bedsarchives.bedford.gov.uk/RewritingHistory/Rewriting-History.aspx>

Year 5

Year 6

- **Afterschool Homework Club** – w/c 9 January 2017. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Year 8

- **Options – Key Information** - Please [click here](#) for a letter with key information and dates regarding the upcoming main options process. Many thanks. Mr R Baga, KS4 Development Manager.

Year 9

Other Items of Interest

- **WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH RECRUITING THE BEST!** – Please share our Facebook /Twitter pages and spread the word about our expansion. We are recruiting for Head of Mathematics (starting Easter/Sept 17), Teachers of English, Mathematics, Science, Art and Second in Science (starting Sept 17). [Click here](#) to go to our vacancies page. Any queries please contact Victoria Lockey on 01462 730391.
- **BEST Vacancies** – Please [click here](#) for details.
- **Jack Collison Soccer School Half Term Camp** – Robert Bloomfield Academy, 15,16 & 17 February 10am – 3pm. www.jackcollisonsoccerschool.com
- **Special Needs Action Panel Workshop** – Education Health Plan, 21st February 2017, 9.45 am – 12.30 pm Henlow Park Pavillion, Bedfordshire. For more information please contact Kirsty Green on talk2us@shopcentralbeds.org.uk or 07805 002163.

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 28th January – 4th February – Ski Trip

Monday 30th January - Year 6 SATs Evening

Monday 13th February – Half term holiday starts

Monday 20th February – Students return to school

Let us know what you think about these emails. Have you got any suggestions? Please email etaoffice@bestacademies.org.uk