

Etonbury Academy Weekly Update - 14 December 2018

Week commencing Mon 17 Dec - Timetable A

Week commencing Mon 31 Dec - Timetable A (resumes Thu 3 Jan 2019)

All/Mixed Years

- **New PE Clubs List for Spring Term 1** - Please [click here](#) to view our P.E. clubs list for the Spring Term. **Clubs will start on Thu 3rd Jan**. If your child is attending an after school club, please make sure they know how they are getting home.
- **LAMDA** - LAMDA will resume on **Wed 30 Jan** in the new term.
- **Breakfast Club** - This is available Monday to Friday from 7.30am to 8.15am and costs £1 for supervision or £2 to eat.
- **Christmas Wish Book List** 🧑‍🎄❄️🎁🎅🎄 - Whilst Christmas shopping for family and friends on Amazon please consider adding a gift donation of a book to your basket from our Etonbury Study Centre's Amazon Wish List, please [click here](#). Each gifted book will be given a book plate with the name of the donor. Alternatively you could order from our local independent booksellers to support their businesses. With appreciation of your kind and festive support - *Mrs Norman, Study Centre Manager*.
- **Football Training** - after school football training will be cancelled until the Spring Term (Jan 2019).
- **Lost Property** - Please make sure your child checks Student Services for their lost items before the end of term.
- **Proposed BEST Admissions Policy 2020** - Please [click here](#) to view details on our website regarding the proposed BEST Admissions Policy 2020. Once on the Admissions page, scroll down and click on the links to view the consultation letter and the proposed Admissions Policy 2020. This consultation remains open until Tuesday 1st January 2019. All comments go to admissionsconsultation@bestacademies.org.uk.
- **Science Department** - We are in need of any empty 2 litre plastic fizzy drink bottles please.
- **Lunch Menu** - Week 3, week starting Thu 3 Jan will also be Week 3. Please [click here](#).

Year 5

- **Conover Hall Trip (Tue 19 Feb - Fri 22 Feb)** - Please [click here](#) for Important Information Letter.

Year 6

- **SATs Information Evening (Mon 14 Jan) 6.00pm - 7.00pm** - Please keep this date clear, more details to follow.
- **Parent WOW Afternoon (Fri 11 Jan)** - Please note the amended date.

Year 7

- **Sex and Relationship Education Letter (SRE)** - Please [click here](#) for more information.

Year 8

- **Sex and Relationship Education Letter (SRE)** - Please [click here](#) for more information.

Year 9

- **GCSE Drama Conference (Fri 11 Jan)** - Please [click here](#) to view the schedule. **Reminder** - please make sure that payment has been made.
- **Form Group change and KS4 Structure (starting Thu 3 Jan)** - Please [click here](#) for more information.

Year 10

- **GCSE Drama Conference (Fri 11 Jan)** - Please [click here](#) to view the schedule. **Reminder** - please make sure that payment has been made.
- **GCSE Music Students - Stotfold Christmas Concert (Sun 16 Dec)** - The Year 10 GCSE music students have been given the opportunity to take part in a Stotfold Christmas concert on Sun 16 Dec. Please [click here](#) to complete the permission form as soon as possible.

Year 11

- **GCSE Drama Conference (Fri 11 Jan)** - Please [click here](#) to view the schedule. **Reminder** - please make sure that payment has been made.
- **Parents' Evening (Tue 15 Jan)** - Year 11 Parents' Evening will be held on Tue 15 Jan. Please be aware that the online booking system for appointments will be available from 6.00pm on Fri 4 Jan and further details will be sent out nearer the time.
- **BTEC Animal Care Exam (Mon 14 Jan) - 9.00am** - Please [click here](#) to view the exam information.
- **BTEC Child Care Exam (Thu 10 Jan) - 1.30pm** - Please [click here](#) to view the exam information.
- **BTEC Sport Exam (Tue 15 Jan) - 11.30am** - Please [click here](#) to view the exam information.
- **SWA Sixth Form Application Deadline (Fri 4 Jan) amended date** - This will be reflected on their application form and website.
- **Seneca Revision Tool online** - We have recently been made aware of the website Seneca and its usefulness to students revising. Please see below some useful information from their website and instructions on how to sign up for an account: <https://www.senecalearning.com>
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- **Sixth Form / College / Apprenticeship applications** - Students are currently receiving support in form time with writing personal statements which can be used for college or apprenticeship applications. Where applications ask for a reference they have been informed to put their tutor's

name in the first instance though it may be that either their tutor or Head of Year writes the reference. We are aware that some Year 11 students may wish to look into apprenticeships as opposed to studying full time. Please click the following links for information on two useful websites: [Find an apprenticeship](#) and [Careers advice - Central Bedfordshire Council](#).

- **Key Dates** - Please [click here](#) to view the important Examination Dates coming up in 2019.

Other Items of Interest

- **Rodneys Dance School** - Ballroom and Latin Dance Classes for children from ages 4 to 16 in Hitchin, Letchworth and Welwyn. Call 07773 688314 for more information. www.rodneysdanceschool.com
- **Pendleton Sports Centre** - Free membership until January 2019*. Take advantage of unlimited gym, swimming and workout classes. Join online using the promo code ROYF at the checkout or pop into the centre and join today. Get the rest of the year for FREE! The earlier you join the more money you save. So why not beat The New Year rush. Check out our Facebook page or call 01462 341114 for more info www.facebook.com/lifestylesatpendleton
**Joining fee applies. Terms and conditions apply. Offer available until 20th Dec 2018. Swimming available at Saxon Pool & Leisure Centre on selected memberships.*
- **Etonbury Vacancies** - Kitchen Assistant, Teaching Assistant and English Tutor. [Click here](#) for more information.
- **BEST Vacancies** - Head of Geography, KS2 Teacher, Science Teacher, Maths Teacher, Casual Clerk to Governors, School Minibus Driver. [Click here](#) for more information.

Dates for your Diary

Wed 19 Dec - Last day of term

Thu 20 Dec - Tue 1st Jan - Christmas holidays

Wed 2 Jan - Staff training day

Thu 3 Jan - Return to school, start of Spring Term

Thu 10 Jan - Year 11 BTEC Child Care Exam

Fri 11 Jan - Year 6 Parents WOW Afternoon

Fri 11 Jan - Year 9-11 GCSE Drama Conference





Mon 14 Jan - Year 11 BTEC Animal Care Exam

Tue 15 Jan - Year 11 BTEC Sports Exam

Tues 15 Jan - Year 11 Parents' Evening

Sat 19 Jan - Sat 26 Jan - Ski Trip to Serre Chevalier, France

Tue 19 Feb - Fri 22 Feb - Year 5 Residential Trip to Conover Hall

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas,
 **and look forward to welcoming you back in the New Year.**   

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