

Etonbury Academy Weekly Update - 18 January 2019

Week commencing Mon 21 Jan - Timetable B

All/Mixed Years

- **Reporting Absences** - Please inform the school of any absences as early as possible, due to illness and appointments etc.
You can call 01462 730391 and leave a message on the absence line, email eta-absence@bestacademies.org.uk or speak to the receptionist in the school office. You may be asked to provide supporting paperwork such as a note from your child's doctor, an appointment card or a prescription paper.
 - **Meetings with Staff** - Please can we remind you to make an appointment with your child's Form Tutor before coming in to school. You can do this by emailing the Form Tutor directly. Staff details can be found on our website. If you have immediate personal wellbeing concerns email the Form Tutor and copy in the Student Services Manager, Mrs McErlean, tmcerlean@bestacademies.org.uk
 - **School Ties** - You can purchase school ties directly from Student Services
Cost: 16" - £6.60 and 19" - £7.49.
 - **Music Tour to Italy (Jul 2020)** - As a 'Gold Arts Award' school with so many talented students, we are considering running a music tour of Lake Garda, Italy, in July 2020. If this is something you would like to support your child in experiencing, we are asking you to register your interest by [clicking here](#).
 - **PE Clubs (Spring Term)** - [Click here](#).
 - **Extra-Curricular Clubs (Spring Term)** - [Click here](#).
 - **LAMDA** - Please ensure all LAMDA fees are paid for this term.
 - **BEST Orchestra** - Please [click here](#) to view the details of the BEST musical ensemble to be held at Samuel Whitbread Academy (SWA).
 - **Music Clubs** - Please be aware of time changes to extra-curricular music clubs:
 - School Choir** - Thursday 3.30pm - 4.00pm.
 - Senior Choir** - Tuesday 3.30pm - 4.00pm.
 - String Group** - During morning registration on Tuesdays (students must register with their form tutors first) - 8.45am - 9.05am.
 - Wind Band** - During morning registration on Wednesdays (students must register with their form tutors first) - 8.45am - 9.05am.
 - Rock Band** - Wednesdays - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
 - School Band** - Fridays - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
- These clubs are all held in the music classroom with the exception of The Rock Band which is in the hall. All students are welcome with no charge but if they are playing an instrument they must bring their own. There is also music practice rooms available most lunchtimes for rehearsal which can be booked in advance with a music teacher.

- **Cabaret Auditions** - Following last year's success, we will be holding this event on Wed 27 and Thu 28 Mar 2019. Music, Drama and Dance auditions will be held on the following dates at lunchtime:
KS2 (Music) - Mon 28 Jan
KS2 (Dance and Drama) - Wed 6 Feb
KS3/KS4 (Music) - Tue 29 Jan
KS3/KS4 (Dance and Drama) - Tue 5 Feb.
- **Science Department** - Any spare pots of enamel paint, especially red/yellow would be very gratefully received.
- **Lunch Menu** - Week 2. Please [click here](#).

Year 5

- **Recorder Project** - Every student will require a recorder this term. Please [click here](#) to inform us whether you do or do not require us to provide your child with a recorder. Deadline Mon 21 Jan.
- **Conover Hall Trip (Tue 19 Feb - Fri 22 Feb)** - Please [click here](#) for Important Information Letter.

Year 6

- **SATs Information** - [Click here](#) for the presentation information covered in the Information Evening regarding the Year 6 SATs for this year.
- **SATs Homework Club (Mon - Thu) 3.30pm - 4.30pm** - [Click here](#) view information regarding the Year 6 SATs Homework Club and to complete the Google Form for your child to be able to attend.
- **Football Training** - Every Wednesday lunchtime, starting Wed 16 Jan.

Year 7

- **Girls Rugby** - NO rugby on Tue 22 Jan after school.

Year 8

- **Girls Rugby** - NO rugby on Tue 22 Jan after school.
- **Art lesson (Spring/Summer rotation)** - Next rotation the students will be watching a short Comic Relief video about slum cities to support their studies. There is mild use of adult language in the video. If you feel that your child should not watch this video please email Mrs Parsons. There will be a separate research task for these students in a separate room.

Year 9

- **KS4 Drama Club (invite only)** - Will be on Thursday from 3.30pm - 4.00pm.
- **Self-Evaluation Sheet Pre-Parents' Evening** - This week (Mon 21 Jan) in form time, the Year 9 students will be completing a self-evaluation sheet based on the academic year so far. This will give them a chance to reflect prior to attending parents evening. If you do not have any appointments, then this sheet (that students will bring home) will give you the chance to talk through their perceived progress this year. Booking closes to parents on Mon 21 Jan at midnight.

- **Parents' Consultation (Wed 23 Jan) 4.00pm - 6.30pm** - This is an opportunity to speak to your child's teacher following the academic report sent home before Christmas. The online booking system is now open. [Click here](#) to book your appointments.

Year 10

- **KS4 Drama Club (invite only)** - Will be on Thursday from 3.30pm - 4.00pm.
- **Drama Booster Workshop (Tue 29 Jan)** - A free workshop session to support your child with their forthcoming practical exams has been organised. This will take place during their normal timetabled Drama lesson.

Year 11

- **Core Subject Mock Exams (Mon 18 Feb - Fri 1 Mar)** - [Click here](#) to view the information letter.
- **Mock Exams Timetable** - [Click here](#) to view.
- **KS4 Drama Club (invite only)** - Will be on Thursday from 3.30pm - 4.00pm.
- **Drama Booster Workshop (Fri 25 Jan)** - A free workshop session to support your child with their forthcoming practical exams has been organised. This will take place during their normal timetabled Drama lesson.
- **GCSE Photography** - Students should be taking their first set of images on Tuesday next week, or coming prepared having taken them over the weekend if they had planned a different location.
- **GCSE Geography Intervention (Tue 22 Jan) 2.00pm - 2.30pm** - The focus this week is how to answer graph, picture and map questions.
- **GCSE Art and Photography Students** - The exam title is released this week. Students will have a preparation period of approximately 20 lessons. They are expected to attend ALL lessons in order to produce a supporting project prior to the exams on the following dates:
GCSE Photography Exam dates - Mon 25 Mar to Thu 28 Mar 2019.
GCSE Art Exam dates - Tue 2 Apr and Wed 3 Apr 2019.
- **GCSE Drama Exams (Thu 4 Apr and Fri 5 Apr)** - the Drama Practical (20%) will take place on Thu 4 Apr 2019 (dress and tech set up) and Fri 5 Apr (actual external exam with AQA) in the Drama Studio. Students are expected to attend ALL lessons leading up to the Drama Exam and (if necessary) also attend the necessary Monday lunchtime sessions for extra support in preparation for the exam.
- **Seneca Online Revision Tool** - Please see below some useful information from their website and instructions on how to sign up for an account. <https://www.senecalearning.com>
- **Key Dates** - Please [click here](#) to view the important Examination Dates coming up in 2019.

Other Items of Interest

- **Etonbury Vacancies** - Primary Teacher and Teaching Assistant. [Click here](#) for more information.
- **BEST Vacancies** - Second of Maths Department, Maths Teacher, Primary KS2 Teacher, General Kitchen Assistant. [Click here](#) for more information.

Dates for your Diary

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

Wed 23 Jan - Year 9 Parents' Consultation

Mon 28 Jan - Condoover Hall - Parents Meeting

Mon 11 Feb - Fri 15 Feb - Half Term

Mon 18 Feb - Fri 1 Mar - Year 11 Core Subject Mock Exams

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

Thu 7 Mar - World Book Day

Mon 25 Mar - Thu 28 Mar - Year 11 GCSE Photography Exams

Wed 27 Mar - Thu 28 Mar - Cabaret Evening

Tue 2 Apr - Wed 3 Apr - Year 11 GCSE Art Exams

Thu 4 Apr - Fri 5 Apr - Year 11 GCSE Drama Exams

Mon 8 Apr - Thu 18 Apr - Easter Holidays

Fri 19 Apr - Bank Holiday

Mon 22 Apr - Bank Holiday

Tue 23 Apr - Return to school for Summer Term

Mon 13 May - Fri 14 Jun - GCSE Exams

Wed 26 Jun - GCSE Exam Contingency Day

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

Please email etaoffice@bestacademies.org.uk