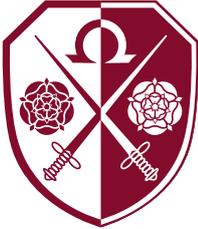




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END OF YEAR MAGAZINE

2017 - 2018



LEARNING WITHOUT WALLS



When I introduced the “*I want to learn*” philosophy 20 years ago, it had at its heart a concept of learning which was inspiring, motivating and enjoyable. Very importantly, it also aimed to remove the walls of a classroom (metaphorically!) because I envisaged learning as an unrestricted activity, which could take place anywhere. In my Open Evening speeches, I have frequently said that, at EBS, learning begins in the classroom, but then extends to the corridors, the Library, on the astro-turf, in the Science

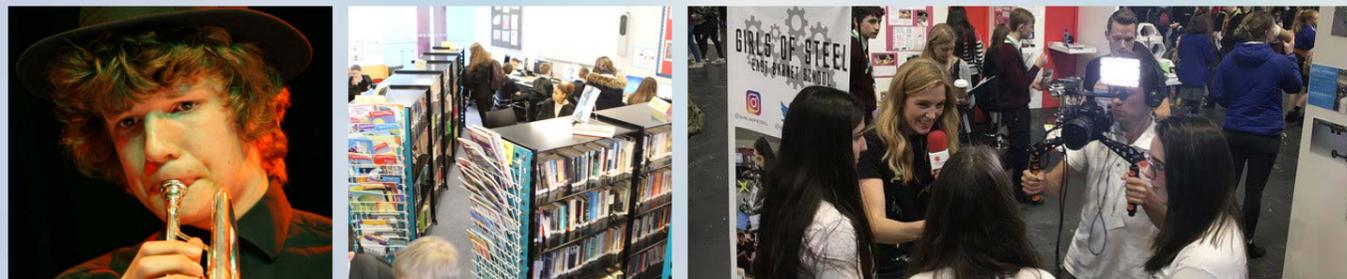
Museum, at the National Theatre, in Spain, France, Germany, Austria, the USA. It begins with the classroom teacher, but continues with our Artist in Residence, Designer in Residence, Author in Residence, Actor in Residence, visiting authors, and guest speakers.

As well as normal lessons, it takes place before school, during lunchtime, after school, in the evening, and at weekends. At EBS, there are no walls to learning, and, in this magazine, the evidence is placed before you.

As this is the final End of Year Magazine during my headship, it gladdens my heart to see that the “*I want to learn*” philosophy has now become a culture which pervades every corner of our school community. As we know, philosophy becomes culture when the many have adopted an idea introduced by one or a few. I have every confidence that the culture of EBS will continue for many years beyond my time and look forward to reading EBS News and future magazines to keep in touch with the exciting events and activities which await current and future generations of students.

I wish all members of our school community good health, success and happiness.

N. Christou
Headteacher



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AWARDS EVENING 2017

Our fabulous annual Award Ceremony was opened in November by Joshua Chabala and Aliza Lalani - our Head Boy and Head Girl. 55 students, accompanied by parents, family members and friends were welcomed to the prestigious event, where they were presented on stage with silver trophies and special commendations, recognising their outstanding achievement. Awards were presented from all faculties in the school. In addition, three students were recognised for their outstanding academic performance achieving the highest grades overall in their Key Stage. In recognition of other achievements in the school and beyond, a Community, Leadership, and two Governors' Trophies were also awarded. The finale was the presentation of Mr Christou's Headteacher's Award, received by the very deserving Abi Medway-Smith.



During the evening, there were musical performances from two talented musicians - Thenuk Chandrasena on guitar and James Tivey on piano, creating a wonderful atmosphere for all who attended. Our guest speaker for the evening was Anthony Murphy, a former EBS student. He shared his humorous memories of EBS, spoke about his exciting career in Criminal Psychology, and offered current students advice on making the most of every life experience, including using the "opportunity tool box" to fulfil ambitions. He even presented his engaging speech on stage, wearing his old school tie! Thank you to all staff, parents and governors who attended the event making it such a special occasion, and huge congratulations to all the worthy recipients of the awards. We look forward to celebrating more success in 2018.

Congratulations to all the winners:

TROPHY & COMMENDATION WINNERS 2017			
Dalia Abdelaziz	Montana Acheampong	Samuel Adams	George Ayling
William Baker	Ellie Barlow	Maximillian Blatch	Paris Bojang
Taylor Bremner-Davies	Milly Catchpole	Vittoria Cavarero	Joshua Chabala
Thenuk Chandrasena	Alex Charalambous	Elie Christodoulou	Nathaniel Cooke
Jessica Corbett	Alexander Dunton	Yehoshua Francis	Kci-James Gibbons
Adam Gomme	Holly Greenwood	Agata Gwincinska	Saffron Hall
Carys Hooper	Archie Hopping	Amber Irish	Mihailo Jajcanin
Adam Joyce	Porter Locke	Alexander McNeill	Abbie Medway-Smith
Grace Merryweather	Esha Mistry	Behdad Monsef	Paloma Newbould-Shepherd
Alice Nicotra	Eloise Pavlou	Kimberley Perkins	Eleanor Rachel
Aaliyah Razi	Katie Sauka	Rikesh Shah	Libby Stainton
Milton Stavrou	Torbjörn Thorpe-Brandt	James Tivey	Michele Vetrano
Paolo Vetrano	Harshil Vipani	Mohamed Wansa	Callum Watkins
Amy Wheeler	James Williamson	Amy Yarrow	



NIKKI CONTINUES TO INSPIRE



In a new CBBC show, *Nikki Lilly Meets*, our very own Nikki (winner of Junior Bake Off and Pride of Britain Award), has been rubbing shoulders with celebrities and those in the public eye. Most recently, Nikki interviewed the PM, Theresa May, to get the inside gossip! To watch the whole interview, and to see the other people Nikki has been meeting, just type 'Nikki Lilly Meets' into Google. Well done, Nikki - we are so proud!

SCIENCE OF ILLUSION

In March, all students in Year 7 and 9 enjoyed a science show delivered by Dr Matt Pritchard. Being a member of the Magic Circle and a Doctor of Physics, Matt entertained everyone with a blend of illusions, showmanship and science. The students interacted brilliantly asking some intelligent questions and taking part in demonstrations. Mr Pritchard also challenged our KS5 science students with a tutorial on the meaning of 'nothing'. Everyone enjoyed the experience and hopefully plenty were inspired to look at science in a different light.



FILM SKOOL



On the left is Craig Fairbrass (actor: Cliff-hanger, Eastenders, etc) and on the right is his son, Luke Fairbrass (Producer of London Heist and others).

They both attended the EBS 2nd 'Film Skool' Premiere in October. It was held again at the Curzon Cinema, Mayfair, and was a huge success, with eight short movies shown on the big screen to a packed audience. Everyone was very impressed, especially Craig Fairbrass who was pleased to see a London school supporting students to make their own creative movies. Craig said "Thank you so much, we really enjoyed the premiere and some of the kids have really bright futures ahead of them".

We look forward to working with 'Film Skool' again and helping our students to create more innovative short movies which are, written, directed, scripted, produced, etc by our talented EBS students.

CAREERS

Careers education at EBS is fantastic and gives lots of students opportunities that they wouldn't necessarily get anywhere else. There have been many events taking place over the year, and at the time of writing, the Year 10s are on work experience, the Year 8 Business Challenge Day is almost upon us, and there are a lot more things in the pipeline! Over the last year:

- We have had 10 lunchtime careers talks which have run from November to April 2018 where over 271 students have voluntarily attended.
- From November 2017 through to July 2018 we have had over 60 employers/businesses engaging directly with students at the school. They have been supporting our Year 12 Interview Skills Programme, our Year 8 Business Challenge Day and acting as speakers at lunchtime, in specific classes and year group talks.
- The students in Year 10 have directly engaged with over another 180 employers to secure work placements for July this year from both small and large companies within the local area and centre of London.

We are also delighted to confirm that several employer volunteers/speakers are past students of the school and this continued contact is something we look to develop further so... if you are a former student please consider joining our LinkedIn group.

Below are a few pictures from this year:



JACK PETCHEY ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The Jack Petchey Achievement Awards scheme has been running at EBS for a number of years now. The scheme aims to recognise students who, amongst other things, may have helped others over and above expectations, been a good role model, demonstrated bravery or have overcome a personal barrier or challenge. Each month, students and staff are able to nominate someone they feel deserves the award, and a winner is then presented with their certificate and pin badge in assembly by Mr Christou. The winner receives £250 to spend in an area of school they wish to develop. We have had some fantastic and worthy winners this year. Below is a list of winners and a brief description of why they were chosen:

MONTH	WINNERS	DESCRIPTION
Sep 17	Montana Acheampong	Nominated for mentoring Year 11 students, which made a significant difference to their lives. She inspired them academically, spiritually and emotionally, advising how to avoid distractions and negative behaviour. This resulted in a huge change in these students' demeanour and in turn happiness and self-worth.
Oct 17	Aaron Filiz	Nominated for demonstrating leadership skills in PE, by single-handedly organising appropriate warm-ups, creating drills and ideas to ensure that his group are well prepared. He made the first 10 minutes of every lesson rewarding and positive for both students and teacher alike.
Nov 17	Benjamin Potter	Nominated for his work in developing the tech crew and providing over and above support for exams and extra-curricular events, such as Open Evening and Awards Evening. Ben also went on to work with younger students to pass on his skills.
Jan 18	Ella Moss	Nominated for her dedication to helping others. She spent much of her free time at the start of the year working tirelessly on props for the school show. During Open Evening, she returned to school and spent the whole evening in the Library reading to young visitors who were looking round.
Feb 18	Sophie Moores	Nominated for being an excellent role model to Year 11 English students, going into lessons and teaching small groups, giving tips, advice and analysis on the GCSE exams. The class benefited from her experience, having been through the exams herself last year.
Mar 18	Yuval Covo	Nominated for his charity work. He took on the challenge of swimming 22 miles, the width of the English Channel, raising over £550 for Aspire, a charity that provides support for people with spinal cord injuries.
Apr 18	Emily Foster	Nominated for a Jack Petchey Award by three of her peers, who all alluded to her as hardworking, kind, caring and supportive, a positive role model and an amazing friend who would go out of her way to do anything for another person.
May 18	Chloe Wells	Nominated for being a tremendous leader throughout her time in 'A' Level Photography, responsible for running Photoshop Club for KS3 students. The students always respond really well to her. She is a great mentor and super role model to all students.
Jun 18	Peter Trankarov	Nominated for the award by both a member of staff and a peer due to his bravery and amazing performance as the lead role in Little Shop of Horrors. This despite having an appendectomy shortly before the show was due to open.

This year's winners have spent their £250 on things ranging from author visits, new guitars and ukuleles, to new light and sound equipment for the tech team. Each year, students are also allowed to make nominations for a leader award, where they can nominate a member of staff who they believe deserves recognition for their hard work and dedication to the students they work with. Last year, the award was won by Ms Tzouliou for going above and beyond expectations with her work, supporting students in the SEN Department. This year's winner will be revealed at the end of term! All of our winners will be attending the Barnet Jack Petchey Awards Evening in July, where they will receive a gold medallion from a special guest. To the right is a picture of last year's winners at the event!



YEAR 7 HISTORY CASTLE COMPETITION



Year 7 students took part in the annual castle building competition. We were delighted with the entries this year and enjoyed castles made from a wide range of materials. The entries were peer judged and were scored on elements such as authenticity and materials used. Merits were awarded and class winners declared; the only downside of course to having so many fantastic offerings, was not being able to display them all. A huge thanks to the department, students and parents for making this year in History so successful and enjoyable.

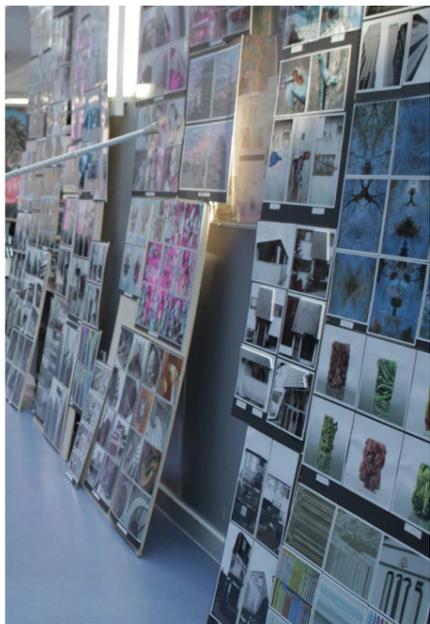
YEAR 8 KARAKURI DESIGN COMPETITION

We were very impressed with the quality of the Karakuri projects produced by Year 8 students this year, who were asked to design and make a moving toy or Karakuri out of card and paper. This is a challenging task but there were a wonderful range of fabulous designs and clever mechanisms. The winners this year were:

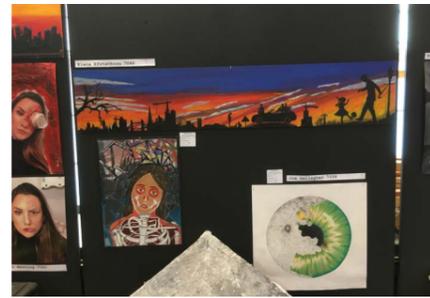
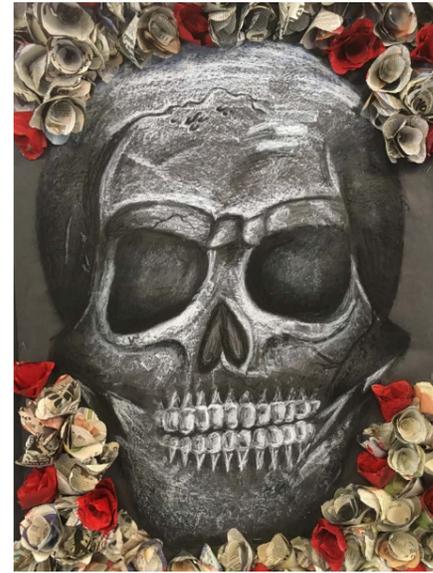
- 1st Edith Locke 8G (Dracula)
- 2nd Chrystalla Kiti 8C (Robot)
- 3rd Owen Hallett 8H (Skulls)



GCSE & A LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION



GCSE & A LEVEL ART EXHIBITION



EBS ROBOTICS



2017-2018 SEASON SUMMARY

It has been a fantastic season of learning and competition for EBS Robotics. All teams within EBS Robotics qualified for the UK National Finals in both the VEXiQ and VEX EDR competitions. However, despite the achievements of every team making it through to the VEX Robotics UK National Finals, for both EDR and iQ, we were not able to travel. We feel we would have done well in the heat of the moment, but this year for us it just wasn't to be. We were unfortunately beaten by the 'Beast from the East' which prevented EBS Robotics from making the journey to the North of England.

It's a strange feeling, as this is the first year in history that EBS has not had a Robotics Team compete and win a VEX Robotics UK National competition. We were absolutely gutted that the elements stole a potential victory from us all, as we had worked so hard all season giving up our break times, lunchtimes and endless hours after school. We gave up our holiday time to compete at various competitions all over London and various parts of the UK just so we could all see ourselves through with a perfect record since the inception of VEX Robotics in the UK back in 2011. We learned so much and it has only made us all stronger together, and we are all looking forward to competing in the 2018-2019 season.

EBS VEX IQ LONDON REGIONAL COMPETITION

EBS Robotics kicked off their 2017-2018 season in November with their first competition. Once again EBS hosted the 6th Annual London Regional Competition for 16 other competing schools. The main focus this competition for Mr Sadler was to develop the five VEX iQ Middle School Teams; *GirlBots* (Yr 8), *Invexibles* (Yr 8), *VEX S's* (Yr 8), *Stealth Robotics* (Yr7) and *VexMen* (Yr 7). All five teams had their warm-up season in 2016-2017 and are now ready to show off their Robotics and Engineering Skills by learning and competing in VEX iQ this season.

The VEX S's 5194X in the first half of the 2017-2018 season consisted of Suzie Charalambous, who has recently left the team, Sophie Baker and Chloe Constantinou. Last season the Vex S's, along with all the other EBS iQ teams, were awarded with a spot at the VEX iQ National Finals. Despite all the hard work and perseverance the team exhibited, they were unable to attend and travel to Birmingham due to the poor weather conditions.

The VEX S's team formed in November 2017, excited to take on a new challenge they had never encountered before. By joining EBS robotics, the VEX S's have been introduced to STEM through Robotics. They have all quickly found a passion for these subjects and continue to break gender barriers throughout the season.

The VEX S's are now STEM ambassadors for the #GirlPoweredUK initiative and are constantly inspiring the younger generation. They take on a responsibility of mentoring those Year 7s who are involved and committed to developing their creativity and analysis skills in EBS Robotics.

BRUNEL UNI REGIONAL

This day was the best competition for team EBS as we all qualified for the nationals. It was an amazing feeling, that had some of us crying with happiness! Our Year 8 teams qualified, and also, our EBS team *GirlBots*, which at the time, was Jada by herself, so Maddie from *Invexibles* stepped in, qualified for the Vex iQ Nationals too.

GREIG CITY REGIONAL

We arrived at Greig City Academy with high hopes of leaving with a Tournament Champion Award under our belts, but unfortunately it was not to be. However, *Invexibles* came 2nd, losing by 6 points, but it was an eventful and exciting day all the same. We had an excellent day with the judges and seeing others compete.

HAMPSTEAD REGIONAL

At the University College School Senior School in London, we had a small competition and enjoyed the day. It was the last competition before Nationals and it was just a small practice for us. We all had a great day, testing if our programming worked, reprogramming and many other things to practice and prepare for Nationals.

INVEXIBLES



The *Invexibles* consist of four members, Abi Pomphrey (Driver), Emily Bryce (Driver), Ellie Nelson (Builder) and Maddie Dalton (Designer). Abi joined our team

later in the season and took to driving straight away. Before Abi joined, Emily, Ellie and Maddie were awarded the 'Judges Award' and after Abi joined, the *Invexibles* won their second award of the season; the 'Excellence Award'. The *Invexibles* have been very successful, being the first team in EBS history to qualify for the VEX iQ National Championships, which we could not attend due to the weather conditions and severe snow. We were disheartened, but nevertheless, we continued our hard work and have been working on many new projects that will promote VEX Robotics and #GirlPoweredUK. The 2017-2018 season left us with two awards and many good memories, including lots of second place losses and suspense matches. We can't wait to see what season 2018-2019 will bring!

GIRLBOTS



The *GirlBots* team originally consisted of just one member, Jada-Maya Modha-Weir (Driver). However, during the season there was a team restructuring, and eventually, Suzie

Charalambous came on board to pair up with Jada, and it was a very good decision. Suzie joined near the end of the season, and both were lucky enough to get into the competition at Brunel University, which was amazing! We did not think that we would be able to compete, but we got in by a 'roll down', which means *GirlBots* were able to go to the nationals. In a cruel twist of fate, sadly we didn't make it to the nationals due to the snow, and risk of being stuck in the freak weather up north. In our spare time, we started to promote the hashtag #girlpowered, and will continue with it until we reach our goal - so let's get it trending! We have also recently been to AU London which was an amazing and fun experience, where we had the opportunity to talk with the CEO of Autodesk and his daughter, where we also received lots of free goodies!

GIRLS OF STEEL



Having won last season's VEX Starstruck UK National Finals, *Girls of Steel* (Helaina Mousicos, Setayesh Elahi and Daisy-Jane Brinkworth-Jewell in Year 10), started the year with determination and passion. This season was more challenging than the last as several competitions were missed due to studies. Despite this, *Girls of Steel* were still awarded two prestigious awards during this season; 'Judges Award' and the 'Tournament Champions Award', which meant they successfully qualified for the 2018 VEX Robotics UK National Finals once again.

Having competed at a London Big Bang Regional competition in the summer, *Girls of Steel* also earned a coveted finalists spot at the 2018 UK Big Bang Science & Engineering Fair finals, where they presented their robot and separate 'RoboMax' Kit they had also been developing, to help aid younger children get involved with STEM and Robotics. They presented to thousands of professionals and young students eager to get involved in STEM. *Girls of Steel* also inspired new all-girl VEX teams to join EBS Robotics and acted as advocates for the 'Girls Into Stem Initiative' that helps inspire young girls to get involved. Their work has been recognised by sponsors and other companies that have visited EBS saying: 'It was great to see so many girls now involved in robotics! We are proud to be supporting them all, the dedication the team has is truly inspiring'. We hope to continue inspiring young students into STEM and VEX Robotics.



CAROLINE GREEN
WRITER IN RESIDENCE



It's been another good year at East Barnet School as your Writer in Residence. The writing club continues to be a lively, creative place, which I genuinely look forward to every Monday. I have students in the Sixth Form now who came along to my first week of the club back in 2012. It has been so thrilling to watch them turning into young adults

and developing their skills as writers. The new intake each year bring fresh new faces into the group too and I love the way the ages truly mix here. It's a very democratic environment and everyone has a voice.

In January, I enjoyed helping Mrs Cobb in the Library to run the Stan Lee Excelsior Club, where students read and vote on comic books for a national competition. As someone who visits a lot of schools around the country, this club – and the Library generally – is one of the things that makes EBS such a special place, in my opinion. In a time of widespread cuts to library services, I see how the Library provides a focus and a 'safe' space for a lot of students at lunchtime. The EBS Librarians deserve a pat on the back for all they do.

In May and June, I had great fun helping Mrs Colangelo-Lillis with the Carnegie Shadowing Group, which reached a record size this year! We barely had space to accommodate all the students who wanted to come (we hope it wasn't just the biscuits that drew them...).

Working with Mr Glancy has also been a real pleasure with our E-School on picture books. I'm going to miss both him and Mrs Colangelo-Lillis when they move on in September. And of course Mr Christou too, who gave me this wonderful opportunity six years ago, that allowed me to become a small part of your brilliant school. Thank you again for making me feel so welcome here.

Caroline Green



Visit the school website (News > Writer in Residence) to check out the Best of The Creative Writing Club! The 2017-2018 version will be on the website soon, so watch this space!

LARA SPAREY
DESIGNER IN RESIDENCE



One of the highlights of this school year has been working with The EBS Design Team on the #ICanEngineerCompetition. The Institute of Civil Engineers developed the competition through the 'Future Engineers Scheme' which aims to reach out to students across London to develop their awareness and understanding of engineering careers.

Elena Roncarati, Eleanor Rachel, Lucy Pritchard and Tom Castiglione entered a London-wide competition based upon the idea of designing innovative underground space. They devised THE LIFE LINE, a system of underground tunnels across London providing a high-speed emergency shuttle service for the NHS. Their bold design won them the Innovation Award, their ideas being commended for their originality and clear presentation. The awards ceremony was held at the ICE and the prize awarded to the Team by the current ICE president Tom Broyd.

Another highlight was this year's Christmas sale, which focused on endangered species to coincide with the newly revamped 60-year clock. The Design Team helped produce and sell the items in their usual enthusiastic style. The items proved very popular with sales raising over £230 for the 'WWF Endangered, vulnerable and threatened animals'.

The EBS Design Team meets every Thursday lunchtime in room 219.

Lara Sparey



LECTURE / TALK

Surviving the Holocaust

On 7th February, our Sixth Form and Year 10 students were very fortunate to have a unique opportunity to attend a talk by the holocaust survivor, Lady Zahava Kohn, and her daughter Hephizba Rudoskfy. Lady Zahava grew up in Amsterdam in the 1930's as part of a Jewish family living in Nazi Europe. She and her family were captured and sent to Westerbork Transit Camp in Holland and then later to Bergen-Belsen before being released from the camp in 1945.



A yellow cloth Star of David, a Visa for Honduras that came too late, a trio of aluminium plates, and a laundry checklist from Westerbork were among a trove of keepsakes discovered in a suitcase that belonged to Lady Zahava's late mother. Armed with this mountain of documents and memories, Lady Zahava wove together the story of her family's wartime experiences. It was a compelling story of resilience and determination to survive, which left our students fascinated. The story was very powerful and thought provoking, leaving the students wondering the whole time about the outcome.



EVENT

In the Summer Term, a group of 12 Year 8 students took part in the Scholars' Programme, run by The Brilliant Club. The Brilliant Club is an award-winning charity that works to close the gap between privately educated and state educated students and to help them progress to highly selective universities. The Scholars' Programme comprises a series of small group tutorials which are delivered by PhD researchers. The tutorials are designed to emulate university style learning and stretch students to work a Key Stage above their current level. Before the start of the tutorials, the students attended a launch event that took place in the prestigious Royal Holloway University. During the day, students attended a study skills session and an advice and guidance session about university life. This was followed by a tour of the campus where they had a chance to talk to students. At the end of the day the students attended their first tutorial, where they had the chance to meet with their course tutor and learn about the topic they will be studying. The students were very inspired by the visit and it left them looking very much forward to learning a new and exciting topic.

On 26th September, a group of Year 9 students attended the Scholars' Club Graduation Ceremony to celebrate their successful completion of the Scholars Programme. The ceremony took place in Wadham College, University of Oxford. The day started with an information, advice and guidance session led by university staff, followed by a guided tour of the campus. At the end, students took part in a formal certification ceremony, which included a keynote address to acknowledge their hard work and effort.



On 2nd July, a group of Year 8 students attended a similar Scholars Club Graduation Ceremony at Southampton University to celebrate their successful completion of the Scholars Programme.



MATHS

On the 26th April, 23 Year 8 very able mathematicians took part in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge. This is a national competition which involves answering 25 very difficult multiple choice questions, in an hour, under exam conditions. As usual, our students performed extremely well, achieving gold, silver and bronze certificates. Well done to Yuval Covo who qualified for the next round of the challenge (The UK Junior Mathematical Olympiad).

SCIENCE

In July 2017, Sara Jannat Alam and Evie Craggs were part of an EBS team that won the Barnet Science & Technology Challenge. Their reward was to represent Barnet in the Southern England Science Challenge Championship.

On 5th January, Sara and Evie went to Queen Mary's University to compete against 12 other winning schools from the south of England. Paired with two students from another school, they set about designing, building and programming a robot to undertake certain tasks. Sara and Evie represented themselves and EBS in an outstanding manner all day and should be very proud of their achievement. Congratulations to both of them!

On 16th July, a group of 12 students from Year 8 and 9 attended the Barnet Science & Technology Challenge at Middlesex University. Students gained an enjoyable insight into a higher level of science and technology. They worked in mixed school teams of four, to complete three tasks. Each task was designed to develop skills needed in the workplace, with marks being awarded for planning, team work and the finished product. The tasks included building a robot, using police software to create an E-FIT and finally designing, building then racing a simple electric vehicle.

LIBRARY NEWS 2017 - 2018

Mrs Griffiths, Mrs Cobb and Mrs Shah organised a busy and eventful year in the Library. All year groups have used the Library well:

- Year 7 are particularly avid readers, borrowing 1700 books.
- Year 9 increased their borrowing slightly.
- Sixth Form students continued to borrow a wide range of non-fiction and fiction books.
- EBS students borrowed 4791 books between September and May.
- Upwards of 80 students use the Library at lunchtime most days.

The most popular books this year are:

- *Wonder* by R.J Palacio (most borrowed book!)
- *Diary Of a Wimpy Kid* books by Jeff Kinney
- *Tom Gates* books by Liz Pichon
- *Billionaire Boy* by David Walliams
- *After The Fire* by Will Hill
- *Death Note V* (Manga)
- *Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas



The Librarians purchased new books based on student and staff requests, book awards and reviews.

LIBRARY LESSONS



Year 7 students followed a programme of activities in the library including Bookbuzz. Every student received a free book from the school and they posted some great reviews online on the Bookbuzz website. Students learnt how to use library books, newspapers and the Encyclopaedia Britannica online as well as drawing their own reading autobiographies. All students used the library E-Readers in lessons. They also participated in a bookmark design competition.

Year 12s had Library inductions where they learnt about Library resources. Year 10s were also offered a Library catch-up session and a leaflet about what we have to offer. We also supported our EPQ students with research workshops which was a new initiative.

WHOLE SCHOOL READING

Every class from Year 7 to 11 received a box of books from the Library to encourage whole school reading, at least once a week in form time. These boxes supported students who had forgotten to bring books from the Library or home. This has really encouraged literacy within the school and the boxes have been well received by both students and staff. Classes were reminded to swap the books half way through the year. We plan to continue this successful scheme next year.

Check out the Library Blog on the EBS Website!

AUTHOR TALKS

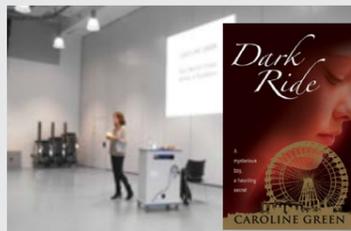
BALI RAI

On a very cold Tuesday, with the threat of snow, EBS welcomed author Bali Rai to run workshops with Year 8s and 9s and give a talk to Year 8. This was part of our celebration of World Book Day. Bali has been writing since 2001 and has published over 40 books which is an amazing achievement. He talked about his inspiration for writing which was growing up in the multi-racial community of Leicester in the 1970s. He described in great detail some of the people on whom he based his characters, the prejudices he encountered both within his own community and in our wider society as a whole.



CAROLINE GREEN

Caroline Green, our very own Writer In Residence here at EBS, spoke to all of Year 7 in November. Caroline has published fantastic YA novels including *Dark Ride*, *Cracks*, *Fragments* and *Hold Your Breath*. These flew off the shelves after her talk! Caroline mentioned how important she feels books and stories are and the impact world events have on story telling. Students asked many interesting questions at the end of the session.



MEANWHILE...



STAN LEE EXCELSIOR AWARD 2018

Stan Lee Excelsior is an Award scheme for Comic collections. Students from Years 7 to 10 joined in weekly discussions with Writer In Residence Caroline Green while reading the shortlisted books. Caroline as well as the students had fun reading and judging the books. Graphic novels such as these require real concentration to read. Based on student reviews of the art, dialogue, characters and story, the winning EBS book is *Trent*. All books are now available in the Library.

CARNEGIE BOOK SHADOWING SCHEME



A group of 22 students took part in the Carnegie Book Shadowing Scheme. They have read the shortlisted books and have met at lunchtimes with Ms Colangelo-Lillis from the English Department and Caroline Green our Writer In Residence. They attended a Carnegie Conference in June which was hosted by EBS. They did a wonderful presentation on *Beyond The Bright Sea*, one of the short listed books.

READ4BARNET

Students who are taking part in the Carnegie Award are also participating in Read4Barnet, a Barnet wide initiative which asks students to read a shortlist of six books and attend a final event on June 28th where they will be able to see three of the authors speak.

STUDENTS VISIT BRITISH LIBRARY



We train students to help us in the Library and they contribute enormously to our success. We also monitor students who read a lot and they receive a postcard home and extra merits. As a reward this year we decided to take these two hard working groups on a trip to the British Library, which was extremely successful. Whilst there, they visited the Treasures Room, learnt about research skills at a workshop and spent some money one of our students had donated to the Library. Some amazing books were purchased and these have now been added to EBS Library.

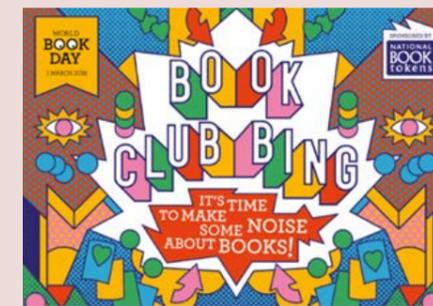
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Library hosted its annual Scholastic Book Fair, raising £674 for additional library books. It is wonderful to know that EBS students are keen readers and get such enjoyment from new books.



WORLD BOOK DAY

This was celebrated with a Harry Potter quiz to win tickets to see a Harry Potter film in the Library on World Book Day. This proved to be very popular. Our visit from Bali Rai was also part of the World Book Day celebrations.



STAR WARS DAY

In celebration of the latest Star Wars film, *The Last Jedi*, the Library held a Star Wars Day. Students entered the Star Wars quiz to win a prize and watched *Star Wars: Episode IV - A New Hope* in the Library at lunchtime.



LITERATURE QUIZ

In May, a self-named team of five students from 7G - *Great Expectations*, represented EBS at the Barnet Literature Quiz at Totteridge Academy. They won our school internal quiz competing against five other teams and had an excellent knowledge of books. They did very well coming 4th out of eight teams.



LIBRARY DISPLAYS

The Library continually displays its new resources, events, important calendar dates, and updates the TV screens to promote literature and learning throughout the year.



STUDENT LEADERSHIP AT KS3 AND KS4

Student Leadership has continued to thrive at EBS this year, with students being recognised for their leadership roles and qualities across the school community, not only in subject areas. This year we have also seen our first Gold Award recipients through our leadership accreditation system. Students are awarded a Bronze Certificate for leading in one subject or area of school, Silver for leading in two areas, and a Gold Award for being a leader in three or more areas, and showing all the desired qualities of a leader. Any leader that goes on to lead in six or more different areas at EBS will be awarded a special Platinum Award. Well done to Eleanor Rachel, Ella Moss and Andrew Gurney for becoming our first ever Gold Award winners this year.



The Student Voice has continued to provide a platform for students to offer ideas on how to improve life at EBS. Form Captains have done a fantastic job in collating ideas from their peers, bringing them to meetings to be discussed with Mr Christou and Ms Swaine. Many suggestions have now been implemented to improve student experiences at school.

LEADERSHIP WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

This year, the leadership accreditation system has recognised student leadership taking place outside of subject areas. It has celebrated the dedication of students who go above and beyond to help others and who give back to the school community through their leadership skills. Ten Peer Supporters from Year 10 were recognised for the time they spent mentoring the current Year 8s through their first year at EBS. Earlier this year, they also helped to train up the next cohort of peer supporters. Seven Library helpers were recognised for their dedication and leadership skills, shown when helping their peers to locate texts in the library, checking books in and out and helping to keep the Library organised and running smoothly. Ben Potter in Year 10 has been inspiring younger students by teaching them how to set up and run the technology associated with assemblies and school productions. Ben has committed a lot of his own time in doing this and deserved recognition for all of his hard work with the tech team. The SEN Department recruited three fantastic leaders to help run a number of Transition Fun Challenge Days, aimed to make the transition from primary school to secondary school a less daunting prospect for SEND students. Nicole Cousins, Lauren Redrup and Helin Demirci supported a number of Year 6 students by delivering a Q&A session, a guided tour of the school and helping them to complete a School Passport. They also organised an EBS orientated wordsearch, a treasure hunt, and team building games such as Jenga. A big thank you goes to Sarita Jones from the SEN Department who helped to devise the games.

SCIENCE

Room 400 was turned into a Forensic Science lab in June when 20 new recruits from local primary schools came to solve a murder. They used flame tests, chromatography, soil pH tests and fibre analysis to detect the murderer and were successful in solving the crime. They were instructed at each station by very able Year 10 leaders who enabled the students to carry out their tests safely and explained the science behind the techniques. Thanks must go to the leaders for planning the whole session and leading it so ably. The leaders involved were Dylan Beanlands, Izzy Constanti, Jessica Corbett, Evie Craggs, Abigail Darwish, Katie-Mia Diamandi, Adam Hutton, Helaina Mousicos, Andreas Panayides and Emily Vince.



MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

This year, Year 9 language students have taught French, German and Spanish to Year 4 and 5 students from Livingstone Primary School. The students planned and delivered the lessons, which were received with enthusiasm by the primary students. EBS students demonstrated that they are teachers in the making by handing out stickers to those who worked really well. They have also organised a 5-A-side World Cup football match for Years 7 and 8 where each House represented the country of a language taught at EBS. The scoring was done in the respective languages. Keller represented Spain, Tutu represented France, Chama represented Germany and Murray represented Nigeria. Next year the Language Leaders hope to strengthen links by going into a primary school and will help inspire the next generation of EBS students at the school Open Evening.



ENGLISH

A number of KS4 Students have worked tirelessly at forming the foundations of a new venture for East Barnet School this year; a new Radio Show called 'EBeats Radio'. Student Leaders from English and part of the Radio Club, collaborated with professional radio producers, journalists and EBS staff to put together the school's first broadcast. After overcoming many setbacks and delays in production, they achieved something great! Well done to Ella Moss, Tymoteuz Pecherzewski, Dylan Hickey-Extra, Sophie Moores, Lily Rachael, Róisín Tambimuttu for their hard work. Also thanks to Behdad Monsef, Holly Taylor and Joshua Geeves for their contribution to music and the radio drama play.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

An amazing cohort of Year 9 and 10 students were trained as Sports Leaders throughout the year, learning and developing the skills and qualities needed to be an effective leader. Our Sports Leaders then put their skills to the test, single-handedly organising and running eight primary school sports festivals. The energy and buzz created at these events was immense and our leaders were brilliant role models to the children, inspiring them to take part in a number of sporting activities. The Sports Leaders have also helped out at after school clubs and recently officiated and helped to run a primary schools athletics event at Allianz Park. All of our leaders have conducted themselves with great maturity and really are a great group of individuals, a true asset to the school.



MUSIC

April saw our Music Leaders inspiring students from EBS and local primary schools to get involved with music. Part of the music leadership month saw seven leaders visit Danegrove School to deliver some singing and performing workshops. The primary school students responded fantastically to their mentors and ended up performing some great pieces in front of an audience. A number of other leaders showed huge courage to perform in front of their own year groups during year assemblies. Further to this, five leaders planned and delivered music workshops, teaching Year 7 students the basics of how to play various instruments. All of the leaders involved were fantastic role models to the younger students and were a credit to Mr Marriott and the Music Department.

MATHS

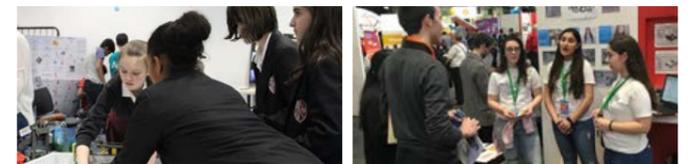
This year, June was dedicated to Maths Leadership, and students worked with Ms Zaman to develop their leadership skills, such as being organised, problem solving and speaking and listening skills. Students then applied and used some of these skills during our Gifted and Talented sessions, in which they led a workshop with some Year 6 students from local primary schools. Maths Leaders each worked with a group of students and organised an activity in which the students had to work as a team to recreate a Rubix Cube and complete other problem solving tasks. I was very impressed with our Maths Leaders; they were able to apply their leadership skills during this session with Year 6. A big well done to Adam Hutton (10F), Emily Gentle (10F) and Helaina Mousicos (10G). Ms Zaman looks forward to training and developing more Maths Leaders next year!

COMPUTING

Throughout January, Mr Warr was busy working with our Computing Ambassadors, who were organising Lego competitions and running lunchtime clubs for their peers. At the clubs, younger students were taught by the ambassadors how to code and create games. Liam Bavington-Hodge, a Year 9 Computing Leader, who ran the Thursday lunch club and supported lower years with their computing work, was particularly effective in teaching Gamemaker computer code.



DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY



In D&T, a number of girls are leading the way on the robotics scene. They are consistently performing at a high level nationally and are breaking gender moulds and stereotypes, sometimes associated with robotics, engineering and technology. They are true role models who are not only inspiring other students at EBS but youngsters across the country. The Robotics Leaders have led Q&A sessions with visitors to the school from Sweden and some of the girls recently attended a global Autodesk conference in Copenhagen, where they demonstrated the use of their software in front of over 2000 attendees. Well done to Setayesh Elahi, Daisy-Jane Brinkworth-Jewell, Helaina Mousicos, Ellie Nelson, Maddie Dalton, Emily Bryce, Abi Pomphrey, Jada-Maya Modha-Weir and Suzie Charalambous for their leadership in robotics.

WONDERFEST 2017

In December, over 70 students took part in the school Christmas 'Wonderfest' show, playing to a packed auditorium! The show opened with a lively performance of *The Great Escape* film theme played by the School Orchestra, who were on top form. Other musical items included the Year 7 and 8 singers, who performed *Lost Boy* and *Jar of Hearts* and also teamed up with the Ukulele Club for two songs. A variety of other fantastic solos and smaller rock band performances punctuated the drama sketches. These were a selection of five *Revolting Rhymes* sketches by Roald Dahl, performed brilliantly by the participants of Year 7 Drama club, and directed by Sixth Form students - Lana, Daniel, Ron and Christopher. A lively interpretation of *Little Red Riding Hood* was performed by the dancers, so there was definitely a fairy tale theme to this year's show, although each one had its own twist! The evening ended on a festive note with *Santa Tell Me* and *White Christmas* performed beautifully by Eloise Pavlou, Izzy Constanti and Amy Perera. Elizabeth, Mehr and Ben provided lovely lighting and sound.



MUSIC LEADERSHIP

In April, it was Music Leadership, so the Music Department had numerous activities going on. We had some fantastic performances in Year Assemblies, including songs written by students and ukulele versions of modern pop songs. Our amazing Music Leaders gave out free instrumental lessons to Year 7s and we took some students to Danegrove Primary School, where they excelled at delivering workshops and teaching their Glee Club an Ed Sheeran song. Thank you to all involved, you really are EBS Music Superstars!



SUMMER MUSIC CONCERT 2018

On Tuesday 12th June, the Music Department held their final concert of the year for a large and appreciative audience in the school auditorium. Around 60 students and 15 members of staff took part, and the standard was higher than ever! The School Orchestra opened both halves with two classical pieces - *Rhapsody in Blue* (Gershwin) and the *William Tell Overture* (Rossini), while the ukulele group (now with nearly 20 players and several singers!) closed the first half with a lively rendition of *Johnny Boy* by Twenty One Pilots. The Year 7 and 8 singers contributed *Perfect* (Ed Sheeran) and *Fight Song* (Rachel Platten) and the staff choir performed a lively a cappella rendition of *I'm Into Something Good*. Alongside the larger ensembles were numerous solos and smaller student-led bands. It's difficult to single any of them out as they were all so good! Amy Perera sang and played a beautiful rendition of *Where Did the Rock Go* from *School of Rock*, and Eleanor Rachel and Kobby Sekyi performed a dramatic and thought-provoking song called *Listen* which they had composed themselves as part of a Year 9 project. Trophies for progression on an instrument this year were won by Anthony Stefanou (strings), Megan Bennett (percussion), Eloise Pavlou (singing), Tess Mustafa-Aiteouakrim (piano), Anna Volstad (brass), and Amelie Wade (woodwind), with Alfie Bawcutt being awarded the trophy for Outstanding Contribution to Music. Thank you to the PTA for providing interval refreshments, and a huge well done to all of the performers and backstage technicians, it was a wonderful musical evening!



A DRAMATIC YEAR!

It has been a busy and eventful year in the Drama Department, with a multitude of trips and performances that have made the department and the school very proud. Our Year 13 students have led the way, with their public examination performance of the hard-hitting *Five Kinds of Silence*, which involved innovative use of multi-media techniques, alongside their devised piece, created in response to the #metoo movement. Year 12 students entertained us with their comic take on Kneehigh's *Hansel and Gretel*, in a promenade performance that took place in a wet and rainy ditch! Further down the school, Year 11 worked hard to prepare devised and scripted pieces, which they successfully performed in exam conditions. All exam groups should be really proud of their achievements this year.



I strongly believe that exposing students to professional theatre is essential for social and personal development, and we have been busy visiting the theatre across all Key Stages, with trips to *The Play That Goes Wrong*, *The Woman in Black*, *Amadeus*, *Jerusalem*, *Les Enfants Terribles*, *Road*, and Frantic Assembly's *Things I Know to be True* – with a good many more theatre trips planned for next year.

We have been making and developing links with Arts groups in the local community; *PQA Academy*, and *Lemon Jelly* use our facilities for their Performing Arts Classes, and we were fortunate to welcome *Bodens Performing Arts* in to lead a workshop on devising theatre with our Year 11 GCSE group. We have also been visited by practitioners from *The Theatre of Dionysus*, and *The Donmar Warehouse*, who have enhanced the learning of our students with their professional expertise.

Year 7 Drama Club is thriving, with large numbers of enthusiastic students attending each Friday lunchtime, in sessions run by our brilliant Year 12 students. The group greatly entertained a packed auditorium with their twisted take on Roald Dahl's *Revolting Rhymes* as part of the Winter 'Wonderfest' show.

This year's production of *Little Shop of Horrors* was unquestionably a highlight of the year. As director, I was delighted with the ways in which Drama, Music, and Dance collaborated so effectively in a way that enabled the students to create a show that was so enjoyable to performers, orchestra, crew, and audience alike. The support of departments across the school, including Tech, Art, Textiles, Photography, Site Management Team, and the PTA made it very much a production of which the whole of East Barnet School should be proud. Photos from the show can be seen over the page.

On to next year, we are delighted to announce that, alongside the exam performances, there will be two school productions. The upper school play (Years 11-13) will be *Two*, by Jim Cartwright; and Years 7-10 will present Andrew Lloyd-Webber's *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat*. Auditions for both productions will take place at the very start of term. We definitely need a rest, but are excited for what is in store next year!

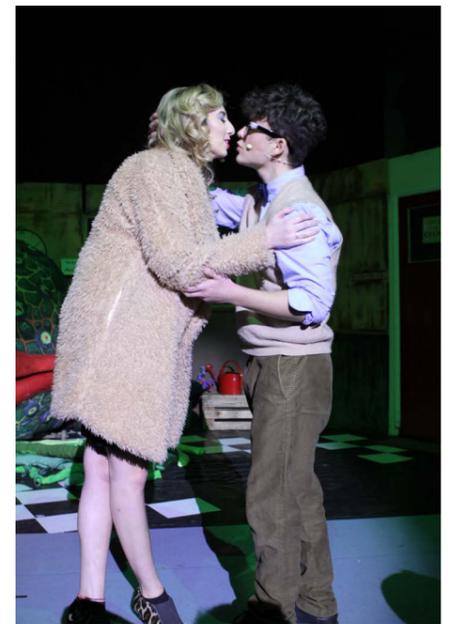
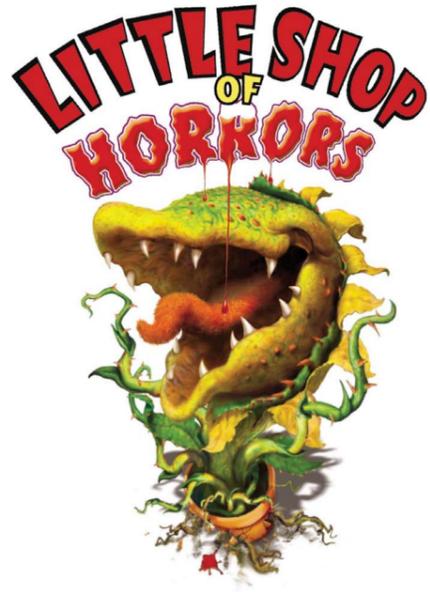
Mr K. Messios, Head of Drama

INTRODUCING...EBEATS RADIO!

KS4/5 students have worked tirelessly at forming the foundations of a new venture for EBS; a new Radio Show called *EBeats Radio* which we hope to broadcast each half term on the school website. Students have been working with professional radio producers, journalists and EBS staff to put together the school's first broadcast – this will be available online soon! Thank you to all the students involved, after overcoming many setbacks and delays in production, we have achieved something great! We hope to continue this project next year, so if you're a budding DJ, journalist, playwright or music expert, join us for the Radio Club next year!... Tune in to *EBeats Radio* soon! Special thanks to Ella Moss, Tymoteuz Pecherzewski, Dylan Hickey-Extra, Sophie Moores, Lily Rachel, Roisin Tambimuttu for their hard work. Also thanks to Behdad Monsef, Holly Taylor and Joshua Geeves for their contribution to music and the radio drama play. Finally, thank you to radio producers L.Bacino, F. Rolt and J. Lonsdale for their guidance and support.

Miss X. Pieri, Mr H. Seckleman, Mr K. Messios & Mr E. Marriott





PTA NEWS

THE PTA HELP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

You may have noticed a new school minibus parked in front of the school, purchased thanks to funds of **£15,000** raised by the PTA in just over a year. Our original target set at Easter 2017 of £12,000 was reached by last summer and an extra £3000 raised during the Autumn term enabled the PTA to cover the entire cost of the minibus which has already been transporting our students to all sorts of events.

The PTA Team would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who has supported us over the last school year and continue to raise valuable funds for the school and enhance the opportunities enjoyed by all our students.



PTA ACHIEVEMENTS

As well as the minibus, some of the items that have been funded through the PTA this year include:

- **Radio Mics (headsets) £2,624** used in the *Little Shop of Horrors* production, also to be used for future events. This equipment had been rented in previous years - now the school has their own equipment.



- **Additional outside benches £1,080** - The PTA were approached by the Student Voice (Council) to enquire whether there would be funds for additional outside seating. The PTA thought this an excellent use of funds raised and 10 benches were delivered in May to make the best of the fine Barnet summer. Students can make use of these benches when purchasing food from the outside kiosk at the back of the school, also funded by the PTA last year.



- **Encyclopaedia Britannica Online £500** - A request was made by the Library Team looking for funds to renew the subscription for Britannica Online, which provides an accurate research resource accessible by all students



- **Terabyte Campaign £8,000** - A campaign is underway towards funding vital computer equipment for the school. The system needs expanding urgently as more and more school work is based online and a new 'SAND' will take the school from 6 to 25TB of disk storage space. We hope the 'SAND' will be installed over the summer break in time for September.

HOW WE RAISED THE FUNDS & SUPPORTED THE SCHOOL

The total raised throughout this school year was a huge **£15,231**. These valuable funds were raised through a full calendar of events over the three terms and other ways including:

- **3 Quiz Nights:** These are always well attended and we raised £4,000 through these events including valuable Match Funding that parents have been able to obtain through their employers to support charities such as the East Barnet School PTA Charity.
- **The Christmas Wonderfest:** Our popular Christmas Market & Winter BBQ.
- **Supporting various school events:** The PTA provided refreshments at events including the three nights of the *Little Shop of Horrors* show, also supporting the school team at parent consultation evenings and key events.
- **ParentPay & the School Lottery (was 250 Club):** Building upon the success of the funds raised by donations through ParentPay for the minibus, we have now added the School Lottery to this facility, making it easy and convenient for parents to donate. Please just click on this item, £15 for the year gives you 33 chances of winning from the £1500 prize pot! So far this year we have given out £565 in total prize money.
- **The Summer BBQ & Music Festival:** A successful evening of glorious sunshine, live music and fun activities was enjoyed by all. Thanks to Match Funding and sponsorship, and those who attended to enjoy and help, over a whopping £2,500 was raised from this PTA event.

PTA MOVING FORWARD

The PTA is run by a team of volunteers who give their time and skill-set to help all students at the school. Our team is small and most volunteers are coming to the stage when their children have moved up or on from their time at EBS. We believe it is vital to keep a flourishing PTA for future students and therefore need some new faces and input from the hundreds of families that have children at the school. For the PTA to continue, we would welcome new volunteers to help at events. This is your chance to help raise valuable funds to make all students' time at East Barnet School more fulfilling, as budgets are tightened and those important extra-curricular items become more difficult to fund. For more details or to come and meet us at the first meeting in September, please see the PTA page on the school website or email us on: pta@eastbarnetschool.com. We very much look forward to welcoming you on board for another successful school year.

On behalf of myself as Chair, Elena Trankarova (Vice Chair & Secretary) and Tess Bush (Treasurer), we would like to thank Mr Christou and convey our very best wishes for his retirement.

Stuart Gates, PTA Chair 2015-18



YEAR 11 PROM 2018



On Thursday 28th June, Year 11 celebrated their five years at East Barnet School in the form of a spectacular Prom. The weather was unbelievable which meant we managed to get some fantastic photos all around the grounds of Forty Hall. Everyone looked glamorous and it was so lovely to see everyone really enjoying themselves throughout the night. They will go down in history as the "danciest" year group yet.

Mr Ricketts & Mrs Norton



SIXTH FORM PROM 2018

It's hard to believe that my time at East Barnet School has actually come to an end. I remember walking through our school gates for the very first time; my heart raced with excitement, my hands shook, filled with adrenaline and my mind was open - looking forward to a future filled with opportunity.

To the class of 2018, each and every one of you are destined for greatness. The honour of serving as your Head Boy has been one not taken lightly. I would like to thank my peers for entrusting me with such great responsibility. I only hope that I have been able to impact your lives the same way that you have all impacted mine. The memories made, relationships built and lessons learnt will never be forgotten.

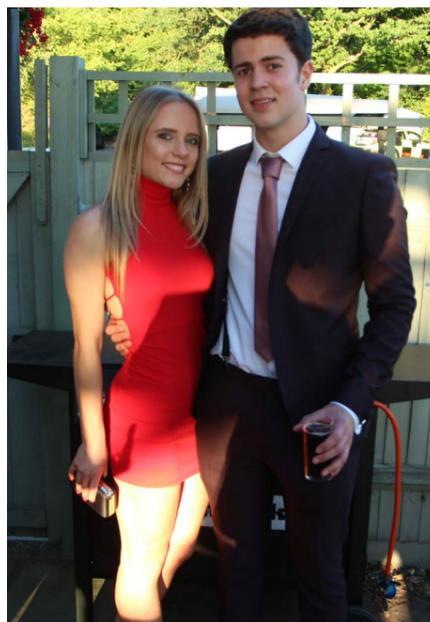
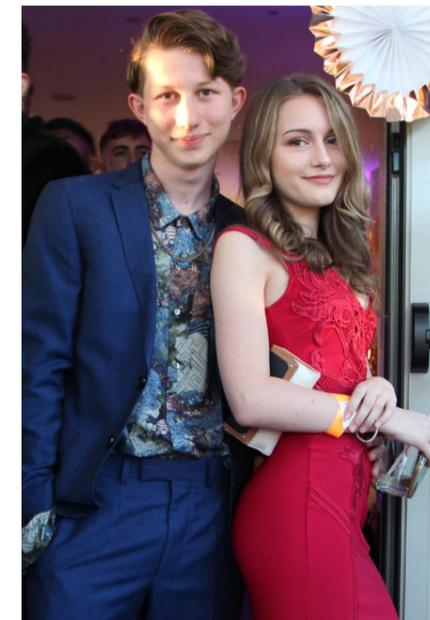
Joshua Chabala, Head Boy

It has been my utmost pleasure and privilege to serve as Head Girl this year. It has been the perfect ending to my time at East Barnet School.

Over the past seven years, I have grown into a person I never once dreamt I would be. This school has fuelled my confidence, my passion for learning, and showed me what I am capable of achieving, and for that I am immensely grateful.

I will cherish my time at East Barnet School. To the faculty, the students, and to my fellow leadership team, I thank you for making the past seven years a life changing experience. I look forward to what the future holds and will continue to embody our school's ethos and spirit wherever I may go.

Aliza Lilani, Head Girl



SCHOOL TRIPS 2017 - 2018

FRANCE

In July 2018, Year 9 students went to Normandy. We visited Arramanches and viewed Mulberry Harbour and visited the Omaha Beach, one of the sites of the Normandy Landings, as well as the moving American Military Cemetery at Saint-Laurent-sur-Mer. This was extremely interesting as we have studied World War II in History this year. Also, tying in with History, we visited the beautiful Bayeux Tapestry. We explored and went shopping in stunning Mont St. Michel as well as having a tour of a boulangerie, La Mimarnel Goat Cheese Farm and Manoir d'Apreval Cidrerie. We practised our French when we were out and about and at Carrefour Hypermarket. Thank you to Mrs Dillan, Miss Berger, Mr Sweeney, Mr Warr and Mr Jones for taking us to France.



SKI TRIP



During October half term, 39 students embarked on the legendary annual EBS ski trip. In a change to tradition, the school visited a new resort this year, called Passo Tonale, and it was a great success. After a drive through the picturesque lakes of Switzerland and Italy, passing Lake Lucerne, Garda and Como, we arrived at the lovely Hotel Bellavista. Following some speedy unpacking and a session of ski fit, we were all sat in the hotel restaurant, enjoying delicious Italian food, accompanied by a roaring fire and a beautiful view of the mountains peering through the restaurant windows. An early night was had by all, so we were all ready for the main event - SKIING.

Every day was filled with five hours of skiing; three in the morning and another two hours after lunch. As the students met up either at lunch or dinner, there was a constant exchange of funny moments and stories explaining in detail how they either learnt to ski or how they perfected a turn and learnt to curve. The resort is lucky to boast a glacier, and all students witnessed the natural beauty of being 3100m up - the views were breath-taking.

The evenings were filled with 'bum boarding', quizzes, a traditional pizza night and a wonderful experience of seeing the Italian instructors ski down via torch light descent. Thank you to all the students, you were exceptional and made the week a very happy and memorable time. Also, a special thank you to the staff.

SPAIN

After an early start on Monday 18th June, 47 Year 8 students and five teachers set off to Heathrow to fly to Bilbao, Spain. After lunch in Bilbao, we drove to the village of Santillana del Mar in the region of Cantabria where we promptly settled ourselves in the welcoming hotel and explored the town. After dinner we took advantage of the park outside the hotel where we played football, frisbee and hung out on the swings. We visited a maze which was a massive challenge, with some students thinking that they would never get out! We also visited the breath-taking Caves of Soplao, which are unique for the quality and quantity of geological formations - such as eccentric stalactites defying gravity. Many students showed off their dancing abilities in the Flamenco and Salsa lesson and enjoyed exploring Santander. We also watched an amazing birds of prey and a sea lion show in Cabarceno Nature Park. During the week we ate churros and tasted delicious tapas, we also practised our Spanish lots when ordering ice creams, shopping in Santillana, Santander and a big shopping centre in Bilbao. Thank you to Miss Berger, Ms Tivnann, Ms Manzi, Mr Harris and Mr Harrison for taking us to Spain.



VIENNA



In July, 40 of our current Year 10 students spent four action-packed days in Vienna at the end of the academic year, in preparation for their Cold War and ongoing language studies in Year 11. The students had the opportunity to visit a variety of museums and monuments to help with their studies, along with the Schönbrunn and Hofburg Imperial Palaces, and the Prater with its Giant Ferris Wheel - a great time was had by everyone!

EPPING FOREST



In July, the Year 12 Biology students went on a field trip to Epping Forest. They carried out a range of ecological sampling techniques. This required students to demonstrate their teamwork and practical skills. The three days were spent planning and carrying out a series of ecology investigations using scientific equipment at a range of sites in Epping Forest. The students found the trip to be an enjoyable learning experience.

HATFIELD WOODS

For a few days in July, from Monday to Wednesday, we (Year 7) went on a fabulous camping trip with The Bushcraft Company! We started the trip by dumping our bags into the coach and chilling for the 45 minute journey to Hatfield Woods.

When we got there, we were introduced to the camp site and staff, then took part in a workshop and had lunch. The days consisted of meals and various sessions including, water workshops, fire workshops, etc. I enjoyed 'Scenario SOS' the most, as we were given the opportunity to put everything we learnt to good use, as the teachers role-played as casualties of a plane crash. On Wednesday, we unfortunately had to pack up and head home, but overall it was a great trip and we had a great time! Thank you to all the staff that took us on this trip.

Samuel Board, 7H



TOWER OF LONDON



Year 7 students visited the Tower of London in the Autumn Term, spending a day exploring the site and gaining an insight into both the Tower itself and Norman castle-building. Students enjoyed visiting the Royal Armoury and of course seeing the Crown Jewels. Particular highlights included Henry VIII's infamous armour, meeting the Yeoman Warders and seeing a Medieval enactment. Two lucky groups also witnessed a commemorative gun salute from the Wharf. Perhaps though the best part of the day for many students was spending their pocket money in the gift shops and buying an ice cream!

UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN

After successfully qualifying through the regional heats, the East Barnet University Challenge Team, proudly represented the school at the National Final, held at the University of Lincoln. The Year 13 Team consisting of Cameron, Kian, Yasona and Mihailo, competed against some of the top brains in the country. They did exceptionally well, finishing inside the top 8; an achievement these students and the school should be very proud of.



YEAR 7 FOOD AND TEXTILES



YEAR 9 CLOCKS AND YEAR 8 PENCIL CASES

Our delightful Year 9s have produced some wonderful clocks again this year!



The Year 8s have produced lovely pencil boxes.



GCSE PRODUCT DESIGN WORK

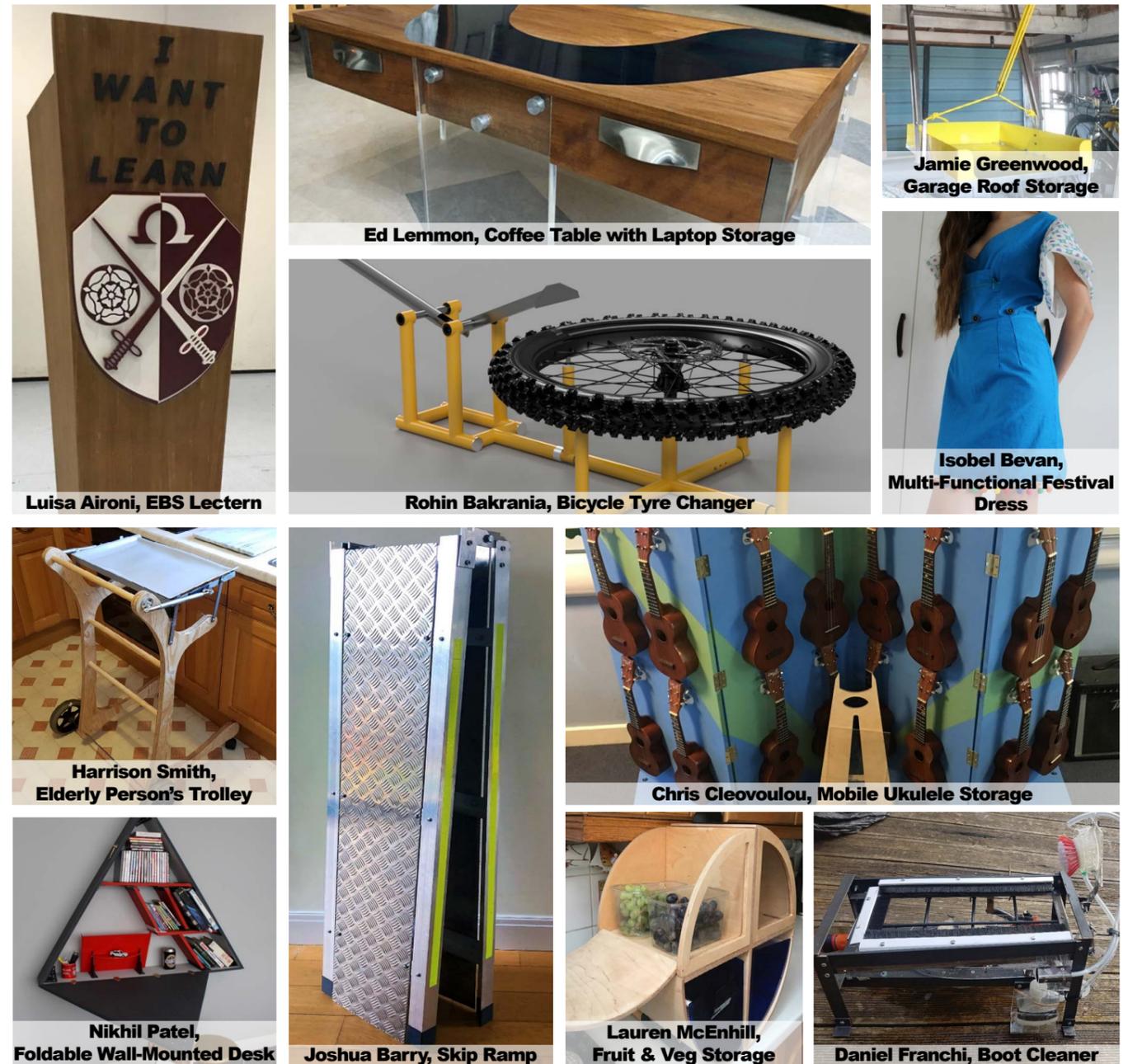


GCSE ENGINEERING

65 Year 11 students studied GCSE Engineering this year, learning everything from casting and fabricating metals to machining and surface finishing. As well as theory, students designed and made their own interchangeable screwdrivers, using materials and manufacturing processes of their own choosing. Our students excelled themselves, designing original and innovative solutions to produce functional and creative products.



'A' LEVEL PRODUCT DESIGN WORK



WELL DONE TO ALL THE TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS!

CHANGES IN THE TEAM

Last July, Joyce Gillespie retired and our new Head of Additional Educational Needs/SENCO, Dr Neil Alexander-Passe joined from a primary school in Wood Green. He has now had a year getting to know the team and establishing several new initiatives, including Dyslexia and ADHD Champions, to develop the emotional well-being of students with Dyslexia and ADHD at East Barnet School. These run alongside our specialist/champions supporting students with Autism and Visual/Hearing and Physical needs.

Our new SENCO is an accomplished author with ten books on dyslexia and mental health to his name. Before his last post, he was previously the Head of Learning Support at Mill Hill School, and has just gained his PhD/Doctorate at the University of Sunderland, on 'Dyslexia, Traumatic Schooling, and Post-School Success'.

PAST STUDENTS

From time to time, we hear about students that have left to do great things, and this year, we can report on two of our past students:

- Eva left the school eight years ago...but we're sure some staff will remember her. At the end of Year 11, Eva joined the Chicken Shed Theatre group, where she spent six years. She studied inclusive theatre and worked with different students with learning difficulties and autism. She has now joined Transport for London as a customer assistant, helping passengers with disabilities as part of her role. She has gone into schools e.g. an autism wing of a secondary school, to talk about what happens when students with autism leave school. She also works in Edmonton, supporting SEND students in the classroom. It is lovely to hear she is successfully working in such important roles.
- Emily is now training to be a Primary School Teacher in Welwyn Garden City!

SEND CHAMPIONS

AEN now has two ADHD Champions, who specialise in mentoring students with ADHD (or possible ADHD/ADD). They meet regularly with the students to talk about challenges that they may be encountering, and strategies that they could use in class and around the school. It is early days, but the Champions are starting to build a positive relationship with their students and this should help the students throughout their school years. There are two Dyslexia Champions who like their ADHD colleague's support and mentor students. We have had some real successes this year in motivating students who have struggled due to literacy difficulties.

LUNCHTIME CLUB IN 104

The lunchtime club goes from strength to strength, offering a chance to chat, catch-up with homework or play non-electronic games on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. On Wednesday and Fridays we have a very active DS and laptop gaming session. These sessions are supervised by our great SEND team and offer a safe zone for our more vulnerable students.

EAL

This year, students have entered home language exams at GCSE, 'AS' Level and 'A' Level in Turkish, Italian, Japanese, Greek, Farsi, Polish and Russian. We are looking forward to finding out their results in August.

Some of our students, who moved to the UK with little English during their secondary education, are now waiting to find out which universities they will be going to in September. We wish them all the luck for the future.

A huge thank you must go to 13 of our Year 12 and 13 students who, for their student leadership, have been involved in supporting younger EAL students with homework and reading or just being inspiring. Your help has been immense and students have gained a lot from it.

Thank you to the Library for their display on books that have been translated from other languages into English. We can all learn so much about other cultures and places through reading something a little different.

WHAT DO PEOPLE SAY ABOUT BOOKS IN TRANSLATION?

- "Books in translation help us to reach beyond our own language and culture" David Almond, author
- "Encountering an 'Oma' in one of my early books at primary school made me realise, perhaps for the first time that not everyone in the world speaks English" Laura Watkinson, translator



CONGRATULATIONS!

Last year, the Jack Petchey staff award was won by Ms Tzouliou for going above and beyond expectations with her work, supporting students in the SEND Department - we are so proud of her achievement! Ms Tzouliou spent her winnings on Lego sets to help students with their development.



CHAMA



Chama have been involved in the various competitions this year and whether we won or not, as the Leader of Chama House, I am proud of everyone's effort to participate and work towards the promotion of our House Charity: *Noah's Ark Hospice*.

The cake sale was a fantastic success, cakes of all shapes, colours and sizes on the theme of Heroes. I was truly blown away by how much effort each student had put into both the baking and the decoration. Some of these were worthy of being on *Bake Off!*

At the Christmas Fair, we sold both our own and *Noah's Ark Hospice* Christmas cards to raise both money and awareness of the fantastic work that they do.

With Sports Day ahead, I am confident that we will do well; we always have a fantastic team spirit and I am confident that those cheering us on will help us to success.

Finally, this is my last year as Leader of Chama House. I would like to take the opportunity to express my thanks to all students and the many parents who supported us and wish you all the best for the future.

S. Sweeney - Head of Chama House

MURRAY



It has been another productive time for Murray house over the course of the academic year.

It all started off with the cake challenge in October where we won the 'Best Looking' cake category, as judged by Mr Gomez. All the cakes were put on sale at break-time and a significant amount of money was raised for our house charity the *Butterfly AVM* fund.

We have also had a record number of students represent Murray house at the Inter-House sports events held on Thursday lunchtimes and we have managed to finish 3rd on the overall standings.

Hopefully, we can go one better at Sports Day in a few weeks and try to edge above Chama, Keller and Tutu!

I would like to say thank you all of the students that have represented Murray House, I look forward to building on the success we have had next year.

J. Langley - Head of Murray House

TUTU



It has been another winning year for Tutu House, taking the lead in the Inter-House competition, and being the overall winners. It must be noted that Years 7 - 9 have won every category - a clean sweep - enthusiastically competing in football, trampolining, table tennis, cross country, basketball, dodgeball and cricket.

During the annual cake competition, Tutu students produced some really creative bakes on the theme of Heroes. Evie Craggs 10H continued the Tutu tradition with her winning cupcakes, and Keisha Murdock 10A made a strong showing for the 'Best Looking' cake. A new generation of star bakers are making their way, with many brilliant entries from Year 7 and 8 too!

This year, Tutu students looked at charity work and chose two new charities; *Grief Encounter* (a bereavement support service, that many students say have helped them), and *Sinethemba - I have hope* (a South African charity, running a day care facility for children with severe and profound special needs, chosen in honour of our namesake, Archbishop Desmond Tutu).

We look forward to yet more success on Sports Day and doing much more to raise money and awareness for our chosen charities.

M. Robb - Head of Tutu House

KELLER



At the time of writing, Keller look like candidates to do very well in the Inter-House competition this year.

Another strong showing in the Cake Competition with the 'Best Looking' cake in the school from Katelyn Banyard and the 'Best Tasting' from Rochelle Karabulut raised our hopes early on. Daniel Banyard and Amy Perera were very unlucky to narrowly miss out on the 'Most Creative' and 'Best Cupcakes' awards respectively.

With the close of the academic year drawing in I can definitely say that I am very proud of the work that Kellerites have put in to Inter-House competition this year.

Bring on a second Sports Day win in a row!

T. Harrison - Head of Keller House

GOOD LUCK TO ALL THE HOUSES AT SPORTS DAY!

SPORTS ROUND-UP 2017 - 2018

BADMINTON



In February, four Year 9 boys travelled to Harrow Leisure Centre to represent Barnet in the London Youth Games Regional Qualifier. Having won the Borough competition before Christmas, the boys got off to a strong start, defeating Fulham Boys' School 5-0 in a five game match consisting of singles

and doubles games. William Caistor-Parker showed great mental strength and determination to come back from 10-3 to defeat his opponent 15-14 in the opening match whilst Joshua Downham, Theo Cross and Oliver Turner showed composure whilst dispatching their opponents.

The boys then swept aside Islington Arts and Media School 5-0, before coming up against Hampton Independent School in the final group match. Hampton proved to be too strong on the day and ended up winning the match following some hard fought games. Finishing second in their group, the boys narrowly missed out on qualifying for the London Finals, despite scoring more points in total than the winners of the other groups on the day! Huge congratulations go to Josh, Theo, Olly and Will for their efforts on the badminton court throughout the year.

EBS were the only school in the borough to enter three teams into the U14 Girls badminton competition this year. The girls narrowly missed out on qualifying for the finals despite a strong performance from Lottie Rachel, who won all of her games. The U16 boys team finished fourth in their competition.

BASKETBALL

Year 7 Boys' Basketball

The Year 7 Basketball Team made a very positive start to the league this year, winning their first game against Wren. The standard across the borough for the year group is very high and boys played against some very talented schools, always performing to a high standard. The foundations for success in future years have been laid, and there is a great deal of potential within the squad. The future is looking very positive. A special mention to Ryan Lura who was the team's top points scorer this year!

Year 11 Boys' Basketball

The boys' basketball was another success this year. Three of the six teams got through to the semi-final stages of the Barnet schools competitions. However it was our Year 11 team that had the most success. Their first was achieved at the Barnet School Championships, seeing off all other schools in the borough to be crowned champions. The format was simple, seven minute matches, try and win! After lots of games, it went down to the last and Iyan Hristov scored with one second remaining to beat Friern Barnet 8-6. Their reward; to represent Barnet in the London Youth Games Championships.

Out of the 32 London boroughs, they were drawn against Hammersmith and Fulham in the first round. The game was played at a high intensity throughout and we took a deserved lead at the end of the first quarter. This set the tone for the duration of the match and after a blistering second quarter, the boys were in total control of the game. The end of the game finished with our boys victorious; 57-29 and Iyan Hristov top scorer with 23 points! Now onto Round 2. Their opponents: Ealing. Another fine display and victory. 55-48. Now down to the final eight. A very tight and competitive game against Camden saw our boys win 66-62. They were going to the SCORE centre in Leyton for the final four showdown! It was here that they suffered their first defeat (44-57) to Richmond. Not to be perturbed they played Waltham Forest in the 3rd/4th placed playoff and they won with their biggest points tally of the season 70-64. The boys were magnificent all season and it really was indeed a squad effort. Here they are with their bronze medal.



TAEKWONDO SUCCESS



Katie and Alice represented their Taekwondo club last week at a National competition, and after a long and exhausting day, they came away with two bronze, a silver and a gold medal in sparring in the 14-18 age group (they are only just 14 so a huge, daunting leap in size

of the girls they were sparring!). They also passed their Green Belt gradings, with Katie getting the highest score in the club!

CROSS COUNTRY

When the weather is chilly and you would rather be inside, you know that it's the cross country season. With the rise in popularity of 'Park Run' and the increased knowledge that students have on both the physical and mental benefits of running; cross country is a popular choice for many of our students. Our Cross Country Team is made up of runners who regularly attend the after school running club; from students who just want to improve their fitness and not compete, to students who have their eyes set on regional and national qualification. The season is made up of league matches, Barnet Championships, Middlesex Championships and for the elite runners - the Nationals. Some of the stand out performances are below:

League Race 1	League Race 2
Jamie Greenwood 1 st - Senior Boys	Year 13: Jamie Greenwood - 1 st
Elena Roncarati 1 st - Year 8/9 Girls	Year 9: Elena Roncarati - 1 st Tasneem Aiteouakrim - 2 nd Eleanor Rachel - 3 rd
Dylan Hepworth 1 st - Year 10/11 Boys	Year 12: Bethany Hargreaves - 3 rd Lily Rachel - 5 th
Beth Hargreaves 2 nd - Senior Girls	Year 11: Dylan Hepworth - 3 rd Holly Greenwood - 5 th
Eleanor Rachel 4 th - Year 8/9 Girls	Year 7: Ava Collier - 9 th
Ava Collyer 5 th - Year 7 Girls	

The Barnet Schools Championships saw us gaining 11 top 10 performances with all of these students qualifying to represent Barnet at the Middlesex Championships on Thursday 25th January. A fantastic achievement and the most representation from any one school in Barnet.



When the time came to perform for the Barnet Team, our students did not disappoint. Elena Roncarati, Year 9, came an incredible 2nd place. Tess Mustafa-Aiteouakrim, Year 9, and Bethany Hargreaves, Year 12, also finished in the top 10 gaining all three a place at the English Schools' Championships in March running against the best young runners in the country.



As PE teachers, our job is to inspire students to want to take up sport, and with running you need no previous experience, skills or tactics to take part. It is the perfect way to build confidence and see immediate results. We hope to see many more of you taking part next year!

FOOTBALL

Year 8 Boys' Football

The Year 8 Football Team have had a solid season. After beating Christ College and Ashmole in September things were looking very promising. However, the boys' confidence took a knock after a few defeats in October and November which meant they finished 6th in the Barnet School's 'East' Division. The boys were eventually knocked out at the quarter-final stage of the Plate Competition which represents a marked improvement on last year. Onwards and upwards for next year!

Year 9 Boys' Football

On 25th April, the Year 9 Football Team travelled to Christ College to play London Academy in the final of the Year 9 Football League Competition. The boys had narrowly missed out on silverware the previous two years, and after a very shaky start, being one down after two minutes, things didn't bode well. After a stern talking to at half time, the boys came out a different side, playing the kind of football that had beaten all that had come before them in the league. A great through ball from Mekhi Bernard and an excellent chipped finished by Will Amadi, brought the scores level. The boys pushed for the winner they deserved but could not quite get that decisive strike. Ten nervous minutes of extra time was played before the dreaded penalties. Under extreme pressure, all five players scored fantastic penalties, with Christian Lewis scoring the penalty that brought the trophy to EBS. A fantastic achievement and a deserved outcome for all the players who had contributed to a fantastic season. Also this season, this team were Middlesex quarter-finalists and Barnet Cup semi-finalists. On both occasions things did not quite go our way and under different circumstance maybe the boys could have been celebrating the treble. There is always next year!



Year 10 Boys' Football

The Year 10 team had a mixed season this year. They achieved some fantastic results, but overall fell short in both the league and cup competitions, which the boys were disappointed about. The boys had a successful season in Year 9, but were disappointed despite achieving more overall in Year 10. This shows the high standards the team has set themselves and is encouraging for Year 11. The team achieved some great results in the early stages of the Middlesex Cup, convincingly beating Chase Community 7-2. They also achieved well in the league, and managed a 4th place finish, which enabled them to qualify for the league play-offs where they met Christ College again, for a second year in a row. Unfortunately, like last year, Christ College managed to get the result and meant we were eliminated at the same stage as the year before. One of the highlights in the league was the huge win against JCoSS where some of the best school football was played. The team performed better in the cup competitions and were unlucky not to get to the later stages of the tournament. It was encouraging to have a group of boys wanting to play for each other. We have a new formation that the team are happy with, which once worked on, will make us a strong opposition in both the league and cup competitions next year.

Year 11 Boys' Football

It was the final opportunity for our very successful Year 11 Football Team to achieve some silverware this season. Having worked with the team for the last five years and seen them reach county cup finals and win Barnet trophies, we started off in very optimistic fashion beating both Bishop Douglass and The Wren Academy. We then met our match against both Finchley and The Compton, losing both. We did enough however, to qualify for the league knock-out stages, where we faced our old rivals, Hendon. In Year 9, we beat them in the league final 3-2, but lost out 5-0 in Year 10. It was essentially a decider! We just couldn't find the legs to compete and ended up losing 4-0. Onto the Middlesex Cup. Having won through to last year's final, we hoped to achieve one stage better this year. We started off well again, beating Chace 4-0. However, in the third round we lost to a good Heartlands team 3-1. Our season was over. However, the eventual county winners were Hendon, which is of some comfort. This year also saw two of our boys play for the AFA county side; Ryan Murphy and Luke Ward. All in all a pleasurable five years of football with these boys!

1st XI Boys' Football



The 1st XI Football Team capped off a fine season by becoming Barnet League Champions in April, and narrowly missed out on a League and Cup Double. The team faced St James' school in the League Final play-off, a team who had beaten them 5-1 earlier in the season. They rose to the challenge on the day and put in a performance worthy of champions. Alidad Afkham-Ebrahimi settled team nerves with an early goal, lobbing the opposition goalkeeper from 30 yards out. The boys continued to dominate the game and created a number of further chances to increase their lead. However, it was not until early in the second half that Josh Barry added a second from close range and Cieran Ward curled in a third from the edge of the penalty area. Victory was sealed by captain Alex Hadji when he thumped

in free kick from 40 yards out, straight into the top corner...a definite goal of the season contender! A late consolation goal for St James made the final score 4-1. Five days later the same squad of players faced a talented Finchley Catholic team in the Barnet Schools Cup Final. Despite a determined and committed performance from the boys, Finchley were just too good on the day and ran out 4-1 winners. Congratulations to all members of the 1st XI squad on a fantastic and successful season.

KS3 & KS4 Girls' Football

For the duration of the season, it was great to see KS3 and KS4 girls playing football together, every Wednesday evening - the participation in girls' football carries on growing which is great to see. The KS3 girls played most of the matches at a Tournament held at Cophall School, and although they played with a determined team, unfortunately they didn't qualify for the next round, losing the deciding game in the last few seconds. The KS4 girls were unlucky this year for two reasons; one for finishing runners up in the Barnet League and the other for the amount of games that were cancelled by other schools. This was particularly frustrating as the team were made up of some outstanding footballers destined to be very successful in the future. One highlight was the success at the Barnet Schools' Girls' Tournament which led to EBS winning the Eastern Section without defeat. The girls were amazing and played with both great skill and sportsmanship which was noticed by other schools. As a result of winning the league, EBS were drawn against St. James, to battle out the winner of Barnet. Unfortunately, despite being level at half-time, St. James played very well and managed to secure the victory. Although the girls were unlucky they can be very proud of themselves and what they have achieved.



INTER-HOUSE

The Thursday lunchtime Inter-House sport has been a tremendous success again this year, with hundreds of students competing against each other. The sports on offer included, football, table tennis, cross country, trampolining, basketball, dodgeball and cricket, and it has been fantastic to see students compete against each other in a competitive but respectful manner. The commitment of each student to gain points for their house was very pleasing to see, and the competition has been very close this year as usual! The results are as follows....

The Final Results

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
1st	Tutu	Tutu	Tutu	Keller
2nd	Keller	Chama	Keller	Tutu
3rd	Murray	Keller	Murray	Murray
4th	Chama	Murray	Chama	Chama

CONGRATULATIONS TO OVERALL INTER-HOUSE WINNERS - TUTU!

NETBALL



For the last few Netball seasons, EBS has entered every age category and this year was the same. The Year 7s had a brilliant start winning their matches but as the season moved on, the teams became harder and we narrowly missed out on making the play-offs. The Year 8s were the opposite, slow off the mark, but by the end we were a force to be reckoned with. I am sure, next year, these two teams will be the best in Barnet.

The Year 9s have had the most success this year. With a squad of nine regular players, they were committed to achieving success. They qualified for the Barnet play-off tournament in style and were in a good position to take the overall winners trophy. At the tournament, they won every game in their heat and won the semi-final with ease to get into the final. Unfortunately, Henrietta Barnett were too quick off the mark with scoring, even though our defending was superb, we lost by two goals in the end. With many of our girls now pursuing regular club training outside of school, I am sure next year we will achieve the deserved winner's trophy.

ROUNDERS

The early morning training definitely paid off for the Year 9 Rounders Team, as they became victorious at the Barnet Rounders Tournament. With some fantastic fielding, and a competitive team spirit, they won against Henrietta Barnett in the final, to be crowned Barnet Champions.



RUGBY

East Barnet Rugby Teams had another successful year. The number of students participating in Year 7 and 8 continue to grow, which is fantastic to see. This has really helped to raise the standard and quality of rugby being played. There is a great amount of potential in the lower school and bodes well for the future. Years 10 and 11 competed in the league, performing extremely well, especially the Year 11s who finished runners-up, winning their semi-final with a depleted side of only nine players, against a full-strength Wren team who played with all 12 of their players. Massive congratulations! It was a positive way to end a very successful era for the Year 11s, who have enjoyed regular success on the rugby pitch.



SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS

The Year 7 and 8 boys' teams both narrowly missed out on 1st place by a few points. The girl's Year 8 team were unlucky to go out by only three points, but they ran, threw and jumped with great determination. The Year 7 girls' team won the Barnet event and were entered into the London Youth Regional finals, representing Barnet at Harrow. The girls enjoyed the day immensely - cheering on other schools when they were not competing, but unfortunately, they didn't qualify for the next round, but they all left with smiles on their faces.



SWIMMING

The Barnet Schools Swimming Championships is an annual event held at Copthall Leisure Centre, and in typical fashion, EBS arrived with the biggest contingent of participants (25 swimmers!). Both boys and girls had two teams, and after a series of individual races and relays, our boys finished in 1st and 2nd place and our girls in 6th and 7th respectively. All the swimmers enjoyed their afternoon of swimming and for many it was their first experience of representing their school in a sporting competition.



CLUB LINKS

As a PE Department we are committed to providing sporting opportunities through our PE lessons, inter-house events and extra-curricular club offerings. However, we can only do so much. Below is a list of local clubs we have links with for the sports we offer. This is for our students who may want to take their sport to the next level or try something new. Further information can be found on the Barnet Partnership website: www.barnetpartnershipforschoolsport.co.uk/clubs.

Athletics	Shaftsbury Barnet Harriers (sbharriers.co.uk)	Golf	Trent Park GC (trentparkgolfclub.co.uk)
Athletics	Barnet & District Athletic Club (barnetathletics.com)	Gymnastics	Potters Bar Gymnastics Club (pbgc.co.uk)
Badminton	BSCA Badminton Club (bscabadminton.co.uk)	Netball	Minchenden Netball Club (minchendennetballclub.co.uk)
Basketball	Horizon Basketball (svtsgroup.com/horizon-basketball-club)	Rugby	Barnet Elizabethans RFC (pitchero.com/clubs/barnetelizabethans)
Cricket	Cockfosters CC (cockfosterscc.freeuk.com)	Rugby	Old Grammarians RFC (oldgrammariansrfc.com)
Cricket	Southgate Compton CC (southgatecompton.com)	Softball	Herts Baseball (hertsbaseball.com)
Cycling	Lea Valley Youth Cycling Club (lvcc.co.uk)	Table Tennis	Barnet Table Tennis Centre (btcc.co.uk)
Dance	Lemon Jelly Arts (lemmonjellyarts.co.uk)	Tennis	Barnet Lawn Tennis Club (barnetltc.com)
Dance	Lizzie Meeks School of Dance (lizziemeeksschoolofdance.co.uk)	Trampolining	Zenith Trampolining Club (zenithtc.co.uk)
Football	Various (thefa.com/play-football)	Volleyball	VK Barnet Volleyball (psib.org.uk/vkbarnet-prev/)

TRAMPOLINING

The Barnet Trampolining Competition took place here at EBS in March, with the following students participating: Kai Foran, Neo Coyte, Daniel Baynard, Brandon Neophytou, Sebastian Harry, Zahid Shemis, Katelyn Banyard, Sarah Higgins, Summer King, Alice Salmon, Charlotte Ord-Lonsdale, Sarah Gallagher, Megan Searles and Lisa Gibbons. Our most notable performers were our Senior Girls who finished 3rd overall (Lisa Gibbons, Megan Searles, Katelyn Banyard, Charlotte Ord-Lonsdale and Sarah Gallagher) and our Year 10 & 11 Girls' Team won the competition! (Amber Irish, Holly Taylor, Amelia Parsley-Chapman and Grace Merryweather). Well done to everyone involved!

VOLLEYBALL

Our U15 Volleyball Team became Barnet Champions in January, seeing off Whitefield School, in the final play-off of the Barnet Competition. In March, they travelled to the UEL Sportsdock in East London to represent the borough at the London Youth Games finals. They faced tough competition throughout the finals, but managed to qualify for the second stage, following victories against Burlington Danes Academy and Aylward Academy from Enfield. The standard was 'upped' in the second stage, and the boys were defeated in two of their three matches, finishing 13th overall, our highest finish yet.



MY FIRST SPORTING YEAR AT EBS



When I first entered the boys changing room I was very nervous as I had come from a small, and not particularly sporty, primary school. Looking around I saw what looked like very good athletes, which most of them were. So I thought I had to be at my best in every section of PE that we had to do. I would then practise the techniques I had learnt from the lesson at home and at lunch. All that hard work eventually paid off as I was put

in to the top set. I then tried to regularly go to the PE notice board to find out if there were any clubs or teams to try out for, which there were, so I would go to the clubs get to know other people and try really hard to impress the teacher that was running it. In the 2nd term I attended a cross country competition because I had gone to the cross country club consistently. This was the first time I had ever represented EBS, so I was rather nervous, but, it went well, and I placed 18th out of 40+ runners, which I was very pleased with. But then I really pushed my body to its limit in cross country club as I wanted to be top 10 in the next race. The next race came and I came 12th, which was good now looking back at it, but in that moment of time I was giving myself a hard time as I didn't achieve what I wanted. Since then I have been participating in the Park Run at Oakhill Park every other week, so next year I hope to get top 10. I have attended several clubs and participated in several teams between then and now like: Rugby, Football, Trampolining, Inter House, Cricket and Athletics. The next big event that I had was Copthall where I was jumping hurdles, 800m and relay. I had been working on my hurdles in PE but I was not overly confident, but I came 4th as nerves got the better of me. My most confident race of the day was the 800m right after the hurdles. I waited to go last as my energy was refilling and I watched the first race where there were some really strong runners. The second race was about to start but then the other boys and I, waiting to go third, were called to join them. It was a big squash on the start line where there were 28 boys all wanting to win the race; I came 7th which I was happy with, but I might have been able to do better. In the relay we came 4th. PE at EBS is amazing, but it's better if you get involved.

By Daniel Banyard 7F



MY FIRST SPORTING YEAR AT EBS

My time at EBS so far has been amazing, but PE especially has been a massive part of my life; there are so many sports at East Barnet! I have tried to participate in every sports club I can, so I have attended Cycling Club with Mr Fry who is an amazing teacher and is extremely funny. We have our very own cycling track which means we can ride up and down the hills around our astroturf; it lasts for 2 hours starting at 4:00pm and ending at 6:00pm. This means we can fit in circuit riding, solo racing, team racing and even more. Even if you cannot ride a bike there is still room to practise and Mr Fry teaches us very easily. I have also taken part in basketball which is one of my favourite sports - it is for Year 7s to Year 9s and we get into mixed teams and play fixtures amongst us all. It is extremely fun and a great way to start playing basketball! Running at EBS is a big thing and so in the winter we do cross country training and races with Mrs Hammond, which is made up of running the same route, time trials or circuit training. However, in the summer it changes to athletics which is great fun; the club gives you choices for sprinting, middle distance, long distance, hurdles, javelin, shot-put, long jump and triple jump. We practise every week until the athletics track races where we go to Copthall to race against different schools! Cricket is another sport that takes place and this is a great way to get to play with less pressure as you will play with Year 7s, Year 8s and Year 9s and for fun! There is a club for boys and for girls on different days. In addition to all these clubs softball, football, badminton, tennis, rounders and rugby still take place! EBS has so many sporting clubs and sports equipment so there is always something for everyone to do and take part in. The PE teachers at EBS are amazing and support you through all your PE lessons as well as in your extra-curriculum clubs. All these sports clubs have made my experience at EBS so much better and they have really helped me play more sports and different sports, and I am so happy I take part in them!

By Ava Collier 7H

BARNET SCHOOLS' ATHLETICS

A strong team of committed athletes represented EBS at this prestigious event. After many late night practice events, the boys and girls were well prepared for competition at the highest level. The morning heats on the track saw lots of strong running from our students, with several qualifying for finals later in the day. There were various field events too, which were all straight finals. Every single member of the 28 person squad played their part, but our most notable performers were: Tiana N 4th 70m Hurdles, Anya Nesbitt 3rd 75m Hurdles, Eleanor Rachel 3rd 800m, Jack Brennan-Pateman 3rd 100m, Anya Nesbitt 3rd 75m hurdles, Kacper Siwiak 3rd 80m hurdles, Renee Brodie 4th 70m Hurdles, 2nd Javelin, 4th High Jump and Elena Roncarati, 1st 1500m Well done all!





COMMUNICATION MATTERS .
SILENCE IS GOLDEN .

We live in a world where silence is hard to come by. In London, it is rare to experience real silence in any form. It has never been more vital for us to provide quiet space for our children to learn in.

The Applied Psychology Department of Cardiff Metropolitan University have recently reported some important new research findings about the effects on learning of listening to music. Their main findings were that:

- Students who revised in quiet environments performed more than 60% better in an exam than their peers who revised while listening to music that had lyrics.
- Students who revised while listening to music without lyrics did better than those who had revised to music with lyrics.
- It made no difference if students revised to songs they liked or disliked. Both led to a reduction in their test performance.
- Students who revised in silence rated their environment as less distracting and accurately predicted that this would lead to better performance in subsequent tests.

The challenge for all of us is to provide the quiet spaces where our children can learn without distraction. We must resist the temptation to replace one type of noise with another.

H. Seckleman
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