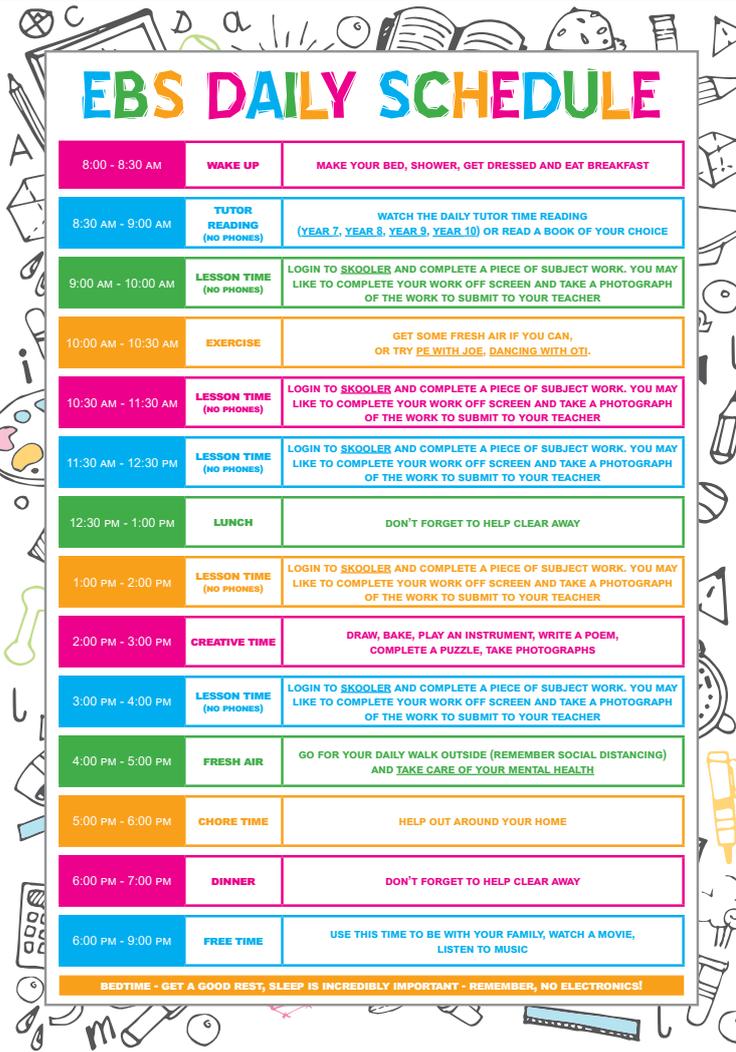


**WELCOME BACK AFTER EASTER**

Firstly, and most importantly I hope everyone in our community is keeping well. I think about you all every day and we all miss the students terribly. I hope you were able to have a lovely Easter break with some time away from the screens; there were some glorious days and I hope you managed to enjoy the sunshine. Aside from the holidays, we have been officially closed for two weeks and during this time we were all getting to grips with e-learning and our new 'normal' routines. We have taken some feedback from staff, students and parents and will make some changes which we hope will make the learning experiences more enjoyable, more purposeful and easier to manage. We have been working hard behind the scenes to team up with some education providers which will complement the learning experiences we currently provide. For now, work will be set in the same way as before the holidays but Mrs Hurst will be sending letters to parents on Wednesday to explain some of the improvements. It might be difficult for students to get back into a routine after the holidays so if it works for them, perhaps they could try and follow a timetable as if they were in school. It is really important that students sit properly ([NHS Guidance](#)) and that they take regular breaks away from the screen.

L. Swaine, Headteacher

**DAILY SCHEDULE TO TRY! #RAINBOWSINWINDOWS**



EBS DAILY SCHEDULE		
8:00 - 8:30 AM	<b>WAKE UP</b>	MAKE YOUR BED, SHOWER, GET DRESSED AND EAT BREAKFAST
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	<b>TUTOR READING (NO PHONES)</b>	WATCH THE DAILY TUTOR TIME READING (YEAR 7, YEAR 8, YEAR 9, YEAR 10) OR READ A BOOK OF YOUR CHOICE
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>LESSON TIME (NO PHONES)</b>	LOGIN TO SKOOLER AND COMPLETE A PIECE OF SUBJECT WORK. YOU MAY LIKE TO COMPLETE YOUR WORK OFF SCREEN AND TAKE A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE WORK TO SUBMIT TO YOUR TEACHER
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	<b>EXERCISE</b>	GET SOME FRESH AIR IF YOU CAN, OR TRY PE WITH JOE, DANCING WITH OTI.
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>LESSON TIME (NO PHONES)</b>	LOGIN TO SKOOLER AND COMPLETE A PIECE OF SUBJECT WORK. YOU MAY LIKE TO COMPLETE YOUR WORK OFF SCREEN AND TAKE A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE WORK TO SUBMIT TO YOUR TEACHER
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	<b>LESSON TIME (NO PHONES)</b>	LOGIN TO SKOOLER AND COMPLETE A PIECE OF SUBJECT WORK. YOU MAY LIKE TO COMPLETE YOUR WORK OFF SCREEN AND TAKE A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE WORK TO SUBMIT TO YOUR TEACHER
12:30 PM - 1:00 PM	<b>LUNCH</b>	DON'T FORGET TO HELP CLEAR AWAY
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	<b>LESSON TIME (NO PHONES)</b>	LOGIN TO SKOOLER AND COMPLETE A PIECE OF SUBJECT WORK. YOU MAY LIKE TO COMPLETE YOUR WORK OFF SCREEN AND TAKE A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE WORK TO SUBMIT TO YOUR TEACHER
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	<b>CREATIVE TIME</b>	DRAW, BAKE, PLAY AN INSTRUMENT, WRITE A POEM, COMPLETE A PUZZLE, TAKE PHOTOGRAPHS
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<b>LESSON TIME (NO PHONES)</b>	LOGIN TO SKOOLER AND COMPLETE A PIECE OF SUBJECT WORK. YOU MAY LIKE TO COMPLETE YOUR WORK OFF SCREEN AND TAKE A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE WORK TO SUBMIT TO YOUR TEACHER
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<b>FRESH AIR</b>	GO FOR YOUR DAILY WALK OUTSIDE (REMEMBER SOCIAL DISTANCING) AND TAKE CARE OF YOUR MENTAL HEALTH
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	<b>CHORE TIME</b>	HELP OUT AROUND YOUR HOME
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	<b>DINNER</b>	DON'T FORGET TO HELP CLEAR AWAY
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	<b>FREE TIME</b>	USE THIS TIME TO BE WITH YOUR FAMILY, WATCH A MOVIE, LISTEN TO MUSIC
<b>BEDTIME - GET A GOOD REST, SLEEP IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT - REMEMBER, NO ELECTRONICS!</b>		

Despite the school being officially closed we are still living by our values of "Do the Right Thing". Some staff have been in school as we have been open for students whose parents are carers or key workers. The staff and students have been busy doing their work but made time to make a rainbow to thank the NHS.



**HELPING FRONT-LINE NHS STAFF**

Our colleagues in D&T have been working hard to create visors for the front-line workers in the NHS, which is in addition to the donation we made of science goggles to our local NHS workers.



Organising school work on Skooler can be tricky at first, so please encourage your child to look at the deadlines and the type of work set, as it may be project work which should be spread over a week or two rather than an hour slot.

**VIRTUAL TALKS**

Looking for inspiration? Click [here](#) to see the Speakers for Schools timetable for next week - some great guests!

**BRIGHTENING UP THE NEW NHS NIGHTINGALE HOSPITAL IN LONDON'S EXCEL**



We also sent student artwork to the NHS Nightingale Hospital and we hope the images brighten the corridors.

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS SUPPORT

We know this is a difficult time for everyone and so far, we have sent laptops home to students who need them, organised for work packs to be delivered for those who are unable to access the internet, organised for Sainsbury's vouchers to be sent home and organised for the Government vouchers to be ordered. We recognise that life looks very different at the moment and we would like to make sure we are doing all we can to support you. If your situation has changed and you need support – please get in contact.

If you have had to turn to Universal Credit to manage financially it may be that we can help with free school meals for your child, currently being paid through e-vouchers for use in supermarkets. We can check your eligibility for FSM very quickly once Universal Credit is in place. If you would like us to check for you, and we would urge you to do so. Please email [enquiries@eastbarnetschool.com](mailto:enquiries@eastbarnetschool.com) or call the school from 9am - 3pm Monday to Friday on 0208 344 2100. Please include the following details in your email, or have them to hand for the conversation with a member of staff.

- First name
- Surname
- Date of birth
- National Insurance Number
- Email address  
(to inform you of the outcome and to order the vouchers)

We can then check the national database and will inform you by email if you are eligible. If you were eligible we will then add you to the list for the next issue of vouchers. By giving us the information you are giving us permission to access the database on your behalf. For information from Barnet Council regarding Free School Meals, please [click here](#).

## YEAR 9 OPTIONS

For the Year 9 students, this is a very exciting time as they get to pick their options. The process obviously had to be delayed due to our forced closure, but Mr Iordanou has been working hard behind the scenes to move everything online, the booklet can be seen by clicking [here](#). Please see below for the new timeline for the options process. You will receive the options presentation on Tuesday 21st April. Mr Iordanou has added a voice over to the presentation to give you additional information that you would have heard at the options evening. We hope that it is helpful.

Tuesday April 21st- Year 9 Options Presentation to be emailed including voice over, Year 9 options booklet and a Google form for students, parents and carers to pose general questions about the options process or specific questions for subject leaders that has not been answered by the presentation or the options booklet.

Thursday April 23rd- deadline for subject specific and general questions.

Wednesday April 29th- FAQ answers emailed out to parents as well as a list of HoD and HoF emails so parents can do further follow up and a google form for Year 9's to select options.

Wednesday May 6th deadline for options closes

### THE NEW TIMELINE

## SPRING HAS SPRUNG AT EBS!



## YEAR 11 AND 13 EXAM UPDATE

We understand that this is a worrying time for Year 11 and Year 13 students, but I can assure you that the school will do all it can to ensure that our students are not disadvantaged due to the new arrangements. The following video provides some helpful information on the exam process (click the image):



As the video states we are not allowed to discuss any grades with parents or students as this must now remain confidential. Please can I ask that teachers are not contacted directly about this matter, but any logistical questions be directed to our Examinations Officer via [enquiries@eastbarnetschool.com](mailto:enquiries@eastbarnetschool.com), who will help you where she can.

## RESULTS DAYS

The dates that GCSE and 'A' Level results will be released has been announced. Both 'AS' and 'A' Level students will receive their grades on **13th August 2020**, whilst GCSE results will be handed out on **20th August 2020**.

## YEAR 11 AND 13 CELEBRATION UPDATE

EBS are committed to giving the students the send off they deserve. We have re-arranged the Prom dates but these may need to be re-arranged. We will keep you updated when we know more.

## SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE

If anyone had told me in January, that school would be closed and we would all be in lockdown, I would have told them they were crazy. But this is our new reality for the next three weeks at least and this new normal brings its challenges. If you need any support or guidance please see below.

1. [Advice for Parents Online](#)
2. [Taking Care of Your Mental Health](#)
3. [Mental Health and Wellbeing Resources](#)
4. [Domestic Abuse Advice](#)

## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

We know that members of our community may be facing challenging times. Despite not being physically able to offer support, East Barnet School is always here for our families and community. Please contact the school so we can provide help and support.

These challenging times may also impact on members of our community who have been previously bereaved. The school can support through counselling and access to other support channels. For more information and guidance please see below:

- [Kooth online support](#)
- [Winston's Wish Grievance Support](#) | 08088 020 021
- [Childline](#) | 0800 1111
- [Grief Encounter](#) | 0808 802 0111



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