

MANY REASONS TO FEEL PROUD

There is an unparalleled sense of pride felt by us as teachers when we see students living our school motto of “*Do the right thing*” and “*I want to learn*”. Over the last week there has been an unprecedented amount of positivity in the school and many reasons to feel proud. A Year 7 student was nominated for being the most inspirational student in Barnet, an accolade she thoroughly deserves due to her amazing charity work. Our students won three awards at the Big Bang Science Fair, the Ethos Award for work inspiring the younger generations through Robotics, the Young Engineer prize for an exceptional design and most aptly during Green week, the Sustainability prize. This Sustainability prize was awarded to a student who has created a robot which can collect litter from bodies of water - an unbelievable feat of engineering! Please click [here](#) to see the robot action. The students continue to inspire us everyday in fact, the Green Week was their concept and they have been determined and motivated to make a difference to the world around us. It is the students’ moral compass which proves that they are using the knowledge that they have learnt to make the world a better place.

“Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.” - Aristotle

L. Swaine, Headteacher

CLIMATE CHANGE LAUNCH WEEK



This week has seen the Students at EBS launch a campaign to improve the school’s environment and make a positive contribution to combat climate change. The campaign resulted from concerns expressed by the Student Voice that we were not doing enough to combat climate change at EBS. As a result, an Environmental Team was formed by students passionate about making a difference. The team have lead whole school assemblies this week, educating fellow students on climate change issues and things that can be

done by us all. They have produced displays around school and have designed and installed manned recycling stations in the dining hall and outside areas. The team have written letters to staff informing them of changes they can make to

help reduce our carbon footprint and have also produced a letter to parents to ask for help (see below).

The canteen has introduced a new vegan menu, removed plastic cutlery from the cafe and has replaced all packaging with “veg-ware” biodegradable packaging, made from recycled or reclaimed materials. On Wednesday, students in Years 7-9 and the Sixth Form took part in a ‘wear something green’ day to raise money to improve our recycling facilities at school. New recycling bins have already been ordered and we hope to bring more in from the funds raised. As a school we are passionate about making a difference and encourage everyone to do their bit. Well done to the students for bringing this important topic to the forefront of minds recently.



A LETTER TO PARENTS FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL TEAM

Dear Parents and Carers,

“The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it.”

We are the students of East Barnet School and we have formed an environmental awareness group. We have been discussing the changes we can make that will have a positive impact on the environment. We have already introduced new recycling stations in school, removed plastic cutlery and encouraged non-plastic packaging in the canteen to be introduced. We have led assemblies to inform our peers and are trying to inspire others to help us combat climate change. There are just a few small ways in which you can make a difference, and we would like to share them with you:

ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO WALK OR TAKE PUBLIC TRANSPORT TO SCHOOL.

If everyone in the world went car free for just one day, 11.7 million tonnes of CO₂ would be saved.

DON'T PARK RIGHT OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL TO REDUCE AIR POLLUTION AROUND THE SCHOOL.

Over 9,000 Londoners die early every year as a result of toxic air. Approximately 50% of the air pollution comes from road transport.

AIM TO AVOID USING/BUYING SINGLE USE PLASTIC SUCH AS BAGS, CUPS AND FOOD WRAPPED IN PLASTIC.

Plastic bags are used for 12 minutes on average, then stay on earth for almost 500 years unless recycled.

INVEST IN REUSABLE ITEMS SUCH AS BAGS, WATER BOTTLES AND COFFEE CUPS.

More than 480 billion single use plastic drinking bottles were sold in 2016 across the world. If placed end to end, they would extend more than halfway to the Sun.

Although these are only a small amount of things you can do, it all adds up and contributes to a better future. The future we will live in. Let’s make a change.

Thank you for your support.
The EBS Environmental Team

NOMINATION FOR YEAR 7 STUDENT



Congratulations to Alexandra Tsiotsi in Year 7 who was nominated for being the most inspirational student in Barnet. This is an amazing achievement, and she got to meet the Mayor of Barnet. Keep up all the charity work, Alexandra, we are very proud of you!

ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

We will be having a different start to the new academic year this year:

Monday 2nd September and Tuesday 3rd September: INSET days - school closed to students.

Monday 2nd September at 2pm: Enrolment for Year 13

Wednesday 4 September:

Just for the new Year 7 and Year 12 for them to get fully acquainted with the school. The new Year 7 will have a normal arrival time of 8.40am and dismissal at 3.25pm. Year 12 will start at 10am and finish 12.30pm.

Thursday 5th September:

The remaining Key Stage 3 and 4 year groups will start. There will be a staggered start time:

Year 7	8.40am Registration
Years 8 and 9	11am Registration
Years 10 and 11	12pm Registration

Friday 6th September at 8:40am:

Years 12 and 13 will begin lessons

YEAR 12 BIOLOGY FIELD TRIP

In July, Year 12 Biology students participated in a field trip to Epping Forest, carrying out a range of ecological sampling techniques and demonstrating 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.

YEAR 13 STUDENT FUNDRAISING

My name is Dominic and I am a Year 13 student and a young Scout leader. In August I hope to start a year volunteering in Chile with a charity called *Project Trust* teaching English. I have raised half of the £6k I need to raise for the charity but need help with the last half. If you want to help or find out about this charity that helps disadvantaged communities all over the world whilst providing young people with a worthwhile goal, please click [here](#), any donation is very much appreciated.



PTFA NOTICES

The annual school BBQ was a huge success raising over £4400 to support the school. We are incredibly grateful to all students, parents, carers and staff that were involved. Mr Christou even came back to help cook the BBQ!



You will have received a text today with a letter from our Headteacher on school budget cuts and whilst we are raising our concerns with the Government and trying to make change at a national level, the PTFA are helping to 'plug the gaps'. Please see below for ways that you can help support the PTFA:

REGULAR OR ONE-OFF DONATIONS

The PTFA has regular appeals advertised in EBS News and on your ParentPay accounts. You can donate as much as you can, and as many times as you want. If you are a business or friend of the school - donations can also be made by standing order or cheque directly to the PTFA.

RAISE MONEY WHILE YOU SHOP at NO COST to you!

- Amazon will donate 0.5% of all money you spend on the Amazon Smile website to the PTFA. Register at smile.amazon.co.uk and then select "East Barnet School Parents, Teachers and Friends Association" - job done!
- The Giving Machine generates commission for EBS when you shop online at over 1,500 retailers incl. Amazon, John Lewis, eBay, Sainsbury's and Next. Click [here](#) to register.

MATCH FUNDING

Many companies throughout the UK offer employees the chance to boost their fundraising efforts by 'matching' the money they raise. Please check with your employer and then contact the school or PTFA. It costs nothing, but a few moments of your time and it could double funds raised.

GIFT AID

If you are a UK tax payer, the PTFA can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you donate. Please complete a [Gift Aid Declaration form](#).

To discuss how you can support the school, or for more details, contact the school or email the PTFA Secretary: ptfasecretary@eastbarnetschool.com

RECRUITING NOW!

We are currently recruiting. If you would like to join our team, please click [here](#) to see all details on the school website.



BEST ATTENDERS OF THE WEEK!

Year 7: 7E with 99.33%	●	Year 10: 10A with 96.15%	●
Year 8: 8G with 96.90%	●	Year 11: on study leave	
Year 9: 9B with 98.89%	●		

Well done to each of these forms - keep it up! Remember:

'Every school day counts'.

Congratulations to two Chama forms who were out in front last week! Don't forget to pick up your tokens from your Head of House.



DO THE RIGHT THING!

Every week, a student from each year receives a Do the Right Thing Award, and we are going to celebrate this achievement. Congratulations to all the winners from the last two weeks!

24th June 2019

Yr 7: Tannis Stoy Murray
Yr 8: N/A
Yr 9: Connor Barry
Yr 10: Leya Koumourou
Yr 11: on study leave

1st July 2019

Yr 7: Ed Scrivener
Yr 8: Elisia Sideras
Yr 9: Chloe Rushton
Yr 10: Adam Gilbert
Yr 11: on study leave