

**THANK YOU!**

I have been truly impressed by the maturity of all our students understanding and doing the right thing by following the schools' COVID procedures in order to keep everyone safe in the East Barnet Community. As I mentioned in my text message last week, we have undergone 3670 tests all of which came back negative. This equates to 89% of all students undergoing at least one test with us. Thank you for having trust in our school and allowing us to do our utmost to keep all of the East Barnet Community safe. There are still questions about the accuracy of these lateral flow tests so for the time being we will continue to ask students to wear their masks at all times whilst in the building with the exception of eating in the dining hall. We will review this over the Easter break and share with you all our plans moving forward.

This week we completed our second webinar for students in Years 11 and 13 to provide further information on the Centre Assessed Grades (CAGs) process. We outlined a timeline including upcoming assessments and how we will run mini assessments. Please do get in touch with Mr Langley (Year 11) or Mrs Carnegie-Gomez (6th form) if you require further information.

To close off, I would like to congratulate the students for the calm and purposeful environment I have witnessed on my roaming around the school. Students are focused and engaged in lessons and making the most of their time being back in school. Let me take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Easter break.

C. Hunt, Acting Headteacher

**THE IMPORTANCE OF LANGUAGE**

This term, as part of their online learning, Year 9 students were asked to think about the importance of learning languages. One of their tasks was to create a poster to promote languages and how it can change their career and open the doors to new opportunities. Thank you to everyone that submitted their work. The quality, ideas and presentation of some of the entries was fantastic! All entries received House Points with additional points awarded for coming 1st, 2nd and 3rd! It was fantastic to receive so many entries. The winners are as follows:

- 1st: Alina Loskutova
- 2nd: Kiara Hodosi-Leon
- 3rd: Ella Stewart

Miss Guénolé, MFL Teacher

**MAKING THE MOST OF LOCKDOWN**



**SPEAKERS for schools**

During the most recent lockdown period, I decided to look for different ways in which I could develop my knowledge about a range of industries that I was interested in. I came across a website called Speakers for Schools Experience which allows young people to take part in placements and connect with employers from all types of sectors. Once creating an account, I was able to make applications towards opportunities that I wanted to participate in.

My first placement was with an investment management firm called Man Group which was of great value. Not only did I learn about the basics of how the firm works but I also had the chance to speak to people who worked in the different divisions of Man Group for example, operations, technology, law, and accounting. Exploring the different areas allowed me to ask any questions I had. I also completed a workshop with Santander bank which was useful as I learnt about the key values of the company and the routes that people take in order to work as part of the company, such as graduate schemes. I was able to collaborate with other students and expand on skills which employers look for. Both of these placements gave me practical advice on writing CVs and cover letters as well as guidance about interviews.

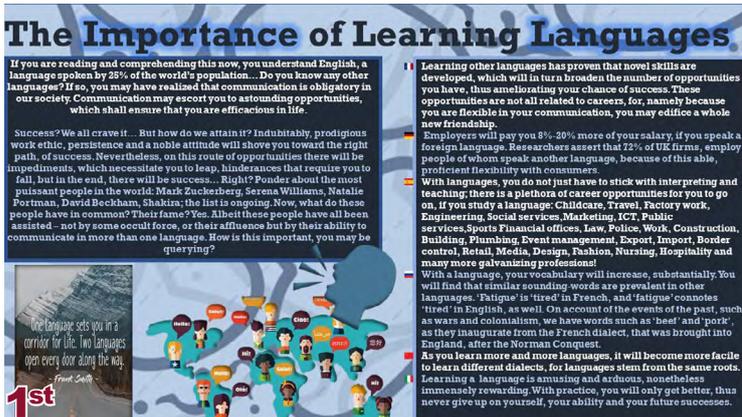
I believe that this is beneficial as it helps students to better prepare for work after completing work experience placements or attending insight days through the website.

Adwoa Owuso, Year 12 Student

If you are interested in learning more about 'Speakers for Schools Experience', please visit their website by clicking [here](#) or speak to Mr Carrington.

**END OF TERM:** Please remember there is no early finish at the end of term on 31st March. Students will finish school at their normal time.

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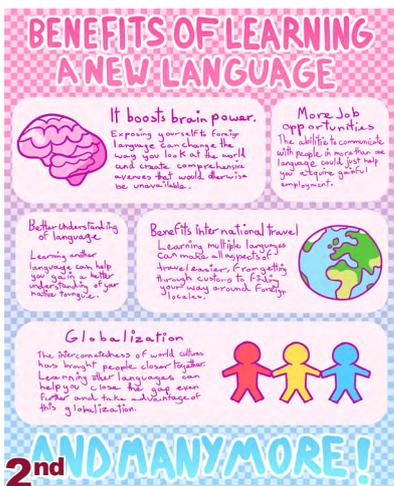


**The Importance of Learning Languages**

If you are reading and comprehending this now you understand English, a language spoken by 35% of the world's population... Do you know any other languages? If so, you may have realized that communication is obligatory in our society. Communication may escort you to astounding opportunities, which shall ensure that you are efficacious in life.

Success? We all crave it... But how do we attain it? Indubitably, prodigious work ethic, persistence and a noble attitude will shove you toward the right path, of success. Nevertheless, on this route of opportunities there will be impediments, which necessitate you to leap, hinderances that require you to fall, but in the end, there will be success... Right? Ponder about the most gussant people in the world: Mark Zuckerberg, Serena Williams, Michelle Portman, David Beckham, Shakira, the list is ongoing. Now, what do these people have in common? Their fame? Yes. Albeit these people have all been assisted - not by some occult force, or their affluence but by their ability to communicate in more than one language. How is this important, you may be querying?

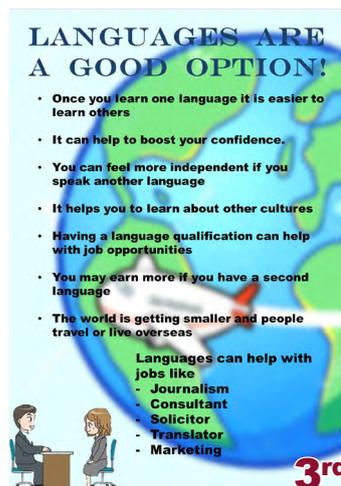
- Learning other languages has proven that novel skills are developed, which will in turn broaden the number of opportunities you have, thus ameliorating your chance of success. These opportunities are not all related to careers, for, namely because you are flexible in your communication, you may edifice a whole new friendship.
- Employers will pay you 8%-20% more of your salary, if you speak a foreign language. Researchers assert that 72% of UK firms employ people of whom speak another language, because of this able, proficient flexibility with consumers.
- With languages, you do not just have to stick with interpreting and teaching; there is a plethora of career opportunities for you to go on. If you study a language: Call centre, Travel, Factory work, Engineering, Social services, Marketing, ICT, Public services, Sports Financial offices, Law, Police, Work, Construction, Building, Plumbing, Event management, Export, Import, Border control, Retail, Media, Design, Fashion, Nursing, Hospitality and many more galvanizing professions!
- With a language, your vocabulary will increase, substantially. You will find that similar sounding words are prevalent in other languages. 'Fatigue' is 'tired' in French, and 'fatigue' connotes 'tired' in English, as well. On account of the events of the past, such as wars and colonialism, we have words such as 'beef' and 'pork' as they migrate from the French dialect, that was brought into England, after the Norman Conquest.
- As you learn more and more languages, it will become more facile to learn different dialects, for 2 languages stem from the same roots. Learning a language is amusing and arduous, nonetheless, immensely rewarding. With practice, you will only get better, thus never give up on yourself, your ability and your future successes.



**BENEFITS OF LEARNING A NEW LANGUAGE**

- It boosts brain power.** Learning a new language can change the way you look at the world. It can also help you learn other languages more easily.
- More Job opportunities.** The ability to communicate with people in more than one language could help you secure a great job or start your own business.
- Better understanding of language.** Learning another language can help you understand other cultures and people better.
- Benefits International travel.** Learning a new language can help you travel more easily and enjoy your trip more.
- Globalization.** The interconnectedness of a world allows us to bring people closer together. Learning other languages can help us connect and work together better.

**AND MANY MORE!**



**LANGUAGES ARE A GOOD OPTION!**

- Once you learn one language it is easier to learn others
- It can help to boost your confidence.
- You can feel more independent if you speak another language
- It helps you to learn about other cultures
- Having a language qualification can help with job opportunities
- You may earn more if you have a second language
- The world is getting smaller and people travel or live overseas

Languages can help with jobs like:

- Journalism
- Consultant
- Solicitor
- Translator
- Marketing

## CLUBS ARE MAKING A RETURN!

Club	Day	Room	Staff	Starting
Yr7 Sports Night	Monday	Astro/ Muga	PE Dept	19/4/21
Yr7 Drama Club	Thursday 3:10-4:10	102	LSt	22/4/21
Yr8 Sports Night	Tuesday	Astro/ Muga	PE Dept	20/4/21
Yr8 Drama Club	Monday 3:10-4:10	102	KMe/BLy	19/4/21
Yr9 Sports Night	Thursday	Astro/ Muga	PE Dept	22/4/21
Yr9 Homework Club	Tuesday 3:00-4:00	432	HWR/ JBU/ MDM	
KS3 & KS4 Textiles Craft - Make a Bag	Tuesday	210	CJO	20/4/21
Yr10 GCSE D&T practical	Monday	228	CR	19/4/21
Sports Science Coursework Club	Tuesday	TBC	CM	20/4/21
KS4 Sports Night	Friday	Astro/ Muga	PE Dept	23/4/21
Yr11 Homework Club	Monday	234/ 235	JDL/JN/ CD	19/4/21
Yr11 Homework Club	Tuesday	234/ 235	JDL/JN/ CD	20/4/21
Yr11 & 12 Textiles Homework / NEA catch up	Tuesday	210	CJO	16/3/21
Yr11 German	Tuesday	335	JG	20/4/21
Yr11 Spanish	Tuesday	334	MNT / Epi	20/4/21
Yr11 Business Studies catch-up	Thursday		RS / BS	
Yr11 Mathswatch / Hegarty	Thursday	416	ND	22/4/21
Yr11 Homework Club	Thursday	234/ 235	JDL/JN/ CD	22/4/21
Y11 Food Club	Thursday 3:05-4:15	200	JRB	22/4/21
Y11 French Club	Thursday	333	VG	22/4/21
Y11 Art Club	Friday	322/ 320	MCC	
Y11 Food Club	Friday 3:05-4:15	200	JRB	23/4/21

Unfortunately, the Year 7 Creative Writing Club will no longer be taking place. Mathswatch/Hegarty will start after Easter with Year 11, then swap to Year 10 on 29/4 and then back to Year 11 on 6/5 and then back to Year 10 on 13/5.

### Enrichment

With the Easter break approaching we hope you are able to get out and make the most of the improving weather. As museums and other venues are still closed you may want to explore the online virtual exhibitions available. You can access a list of suggestions on our website by following this [link](#). Many of our students have already been on a virtual visit to the Architecture for Dogs exhibition at Japan House, which I can thoroughly recommend and can be accessed by this [link](#). Have a lovely break!

Mr Richman, Head of Enrichment

**STAY ACTIVE:** BPSS have just released their new list of activities for young people in Barnet. Please click [here](#) to access the document.

## OUR NEW ATTENDANCE OFFICER



Hello, my name is Ms Fevzi and I have recently joined EBS as the new Attendance Officer. Please feel free to contact me in regards to any absences your child has or any future medical appointments. There is also an [absence form](#) on our website if you cannot call into the office. Attendance is so important and impacts on your child's records so please ensure that they attend on a regular basis. Keep safe!

### FREE WORKSHOPS

Barnet Integrated Clinical Services (BICS; child, young people and families' mild to moderate mental health service across Barnet) is organising a series of free workshops for young people and parents in Barnet. Please click [here](#) for access.

### BACE HOLIDAYS

BACE Holidays stands for Barnet. Active. Creative. Engaging. Holidays! A project delivered in partnership by Barnet Council and Young Barnet Foundation, funded by the DfE to offer young people receiving free school meals to access activities and a healthy lunch over the holidays. Click [here](#) to register.

### PTFA NOTICES

EBS would like to give a warm welcome to the new Chair of the PTFA: Mr Bobby Daruwalla - we are looking forward to working with you!

### FIRST APPEAL OF 2021!

During the pandemic, our laser cutters were working hard to create masks and clips for the NHS. Unfortunately, that extended use has taken its toll on our old machines, and they need to be replaced. The laser cutter is used by all students and is a great learning experience. Can you help?

**HELP US STEP INTO THE FUTURE!**

**To replace our broken laser cutters, we need to raise £5,000.**

Please donate on ParentPay by selecting the 'PTFA Laser Cutter Appeal', or:

- To donate £1, text EBSPTFA to 70201
- To donate £3, text EBSPTFA to 70331
- To donate £5, text EBSPTFA to 70970
- To donate £10, text EBSPTFA to 70191