

STAY SAFE

The last two weeks has seen a surge in COVID cases across the country and unfortunately East Barnet has not been the exception. As we have done throughout the pandemic, we have made difficult decisions and acted promptly to ensure the safety of all in our community. The students have been impressive throughout; dedicated to their studies be it at school or home whilst isolating and have responded with maturity. I am optimistic we will be able to reward pupils with end of year trips to celebrate their hardwork, determination and resilience this year. They all deserve to be celebrated for their exceptional response to such an adverse situation. With this in mind we will continue on with our planning and hope the restrictions ease. For now do keep safe.

C. Hunt, Acting Headteacher

BUTTERFLY BINGO SUCCESS

Thank you to everyone for helping to raise money for the AVM Butterfly charity by playing Butterfly Bingo, it was enjoyed by both students and staff and as a school we have raised more than **£430**, which is fantastic! Mr Hunt pulled the winners' cards out of a hat and the two students that came first will each get a £30 Amazon Voucher and the students that came 2nd & 3rd will each receive a board game:

KS3 Prize Draw

1st Ethan 7A
2nd Shuhab 7F
3rd Jack 7G

KS4/5 Prize Draw

1st Hollie 10H
2nd Ryan 10H
3rd Megan 10E

Well done to everyone and thank you again for raising awareness whilst supporting such a worthwhile charity!

Mrs Irish, Head of Murray & Ms Bailey, Head of Keller

'FILM SKOOL' PREMIERE DELAY

The much-anticipated 'Film Skool' premiere, which will feature five short films made by 30 fantastic students at EBS, has regretfully been postponed. The Mayfair Curzon Cinema are looking forward to showcasing our fourth premiere with them and will inform us on the first available dates as soon as possible. A DVD featuring all the films will be given to the students involved after the screening. Really looking forward to watching these fantastic short movies soon.

A. Polyviou, Film Skool Organiser

INSTRUMENT TUITION AT EBS

It's been a long wait, but finally instrumental lessons are back and we are busy planning for their return from September. Please look out for an email sent to every parent with information on how to pay for the lessons via ParentPay - don't forget to state the instrument your child would like to learn in the information box.

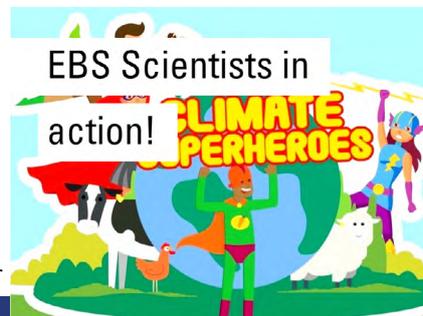
EBS offers a wide range of instrumental lessons including violin, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, horn, trombone, guitar (acoustic, bass and electric), ukulele, drum kit, piano and singing. In addition, as the use of Music Technology is broadening across the curriculum, we are also looking into offering DJing (decks) lessons from January 2022. Watch this space!

If your child wishes to learn an instrument not included on the list, for example oboe, bassoon, saz or bouzouki, please email enquiries@eastbarnetschool.com for the attention of Ms Gough and we will look into it.

Please note, should we go into another lockdown, lessons will continue online. Unfortunately we will not be able to offer refunds.

Ms Gough, Head of Music

STEM COMPETITION FOR YEAR 8

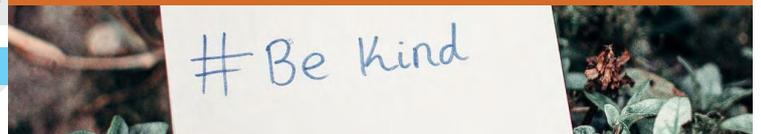


Some Year 8 students participated in a STEM competition called "Farmvention". They had the chance to investigate natural straw and ethanol as a biofuel and come up with an innovation to help farmers in the UK.

We submitted our entry on the 31st of May. The winning school will receive £1000 and present their innovation in the Houses of Parliament. However, all participants will receive a certificate and a prize. The students were very engaged and very determined and were staying after school to complete the investigation and prepare their presentation.

I. Tsitsi, Teaching Assistant

THE ACTS OF KINDNESS WEEK



The Acts of Kindness Week was a massive success, with over 300 nominations submitted. Very big congratulations to Year 8s for stealing the limelight and producing the most nominations. Just a reminder that all nominations will be converted into House Points and the results will be announced soon. I am still in the process of sorting through the nominations received, but I am so overwhelmed by the wonderful acts of kindness performed. Kindness is so powerful that it helps in improving your relationship with yourself, the people surrounding you and the person whom you helped. It ultimately fosters respect and better emotional ties. So, I would like to thank you all for being thoughtful, caring, kind and considerate.

General facts about acts of kindness:

Witnessing acts of kindness produces oxytocin, occasionally referred to as the 'love hormone' which aids in lowering blood pressure and improving our overall heart-health. Oxytocin also increases our self-esteem and optimism, which is extra helpful when we're anxious or shy in a social situation.

A Harvey, Head of Chama

CREATING DIVERSITY FOCUS AT EAST BARNET SCHOOL

We are delighted to announce that as part of our ongoing commitment in ensuring that EBS is a truly diverse community that celebrates the contributions of all members of society regardless of race, gender, sexuality or faith, each subject area will have a space to produce a 'Diversity Focus On...' piece for the school newsletter. We are making it absolutely clear that whilst we understand that we are all 'one community', we also acknowledge that we are all unique and that we are committed to celebrating the diverse community that we serve. Today's contribution comes from the English Department on the right:

CAREERS SHAREPOINT

This is just a reminder to keep checking the Careers SharePoint - there are some great resources on there, no matter which path you are thinking of taking.

VOTE FOR YOUR NEW EBS PARENT GOVERNOR

We are today distributing ballot forms and candidates' statements asking you to vote for a new parent governor to join our governing body. This appointment is decided by EBS parents and carers. A form and instructions will be emailed to you or sent home either with your child this afternoon or by post. If, for any reason, you do not receive the forms please contact Siobain Waters on swaters2@eastbarnetschool.com.

Voting closes Friday, 2nd July at 4pm

A LEVEL ART WORK PREVIEW!

We currently have some great A Level work on display at school, but unfortunately we are unable to invite you in to appreciate it. We have included a few previews below, but we will be putting a much larger selection in the End of Year Magazine, so look out for it!

M. Clemmett, Head of Art



BEST ATTENDERS OF THE WEEK!

Year 7: **7D** with **99.14%** ● Year 10: **10D** with **96.00%** ●
Year 8: **8D** with **97.12%** ● Year 11: **All of Year 11** are
Year 9: **9A** with **98.81%** ● **now on study leave.**

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

'Every school day counts'.

Keller are back on top, but what has happened to Chama and Murray? Don't forget there are House Points at stake!

DIVERSITY FOCUS ON... ENGLISH!

Alice Walker was born in 1944 and was raised in Eatonton, a small farming town in the state of Georgia. She endured several hardships as a child, including losing the sight in one eye in an accident when she was 8 years old. She was shot with a BB gun and because the family did not have access to a car, she was delayed in getting medical attention and eventually went blind in one eye. This experience gave her time to develop a passion for reading stories and eventually she went on to produce one of the most successful novels in recent history, 'A Colour Purple.' The film adaptation went on to become a huge success and made over \$140 million. She has won many international awards and most famously The Pulitzer Prize in 1984. She is an avid campaigner for Human Rights and Equality and holds onto the belief that we all have the power to make a positive change:

"We are the ones we have been waiting for" Alice Walker



PTFA NOTICES

The EBS PTFA Lottery Winners for March to May 2021:

IT COULD BE YOU!

Congratulations to Lottery Draw Winners:

- March: £35 (no 88) IP
- April: £15 (no 40) VB
- May: £25 (no 7) AT & £15 (no 45) JM

Could that be your luck number?

Be in with a chance of winning one of three prizes each month (300 - £15) - just check it out on ParentPay, it couldn't be easier! Just £15 buys a whole year's subscription.

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