

## DIVERSITY IN OUR COMMUNITY

Over the last two weeks we have been talking to children about diversity. We have had external speakers in to work with our Year 7s and 8s and have had assemblies to all students. Diversity links well to our value “*Do the right thing*” where we expect our community to act with kindness, respect and integrity. Our staff will be receiving further training on diversity next month as we are committed to ensuring everyone feels welcome and at home here at EBS. If you would like to share any comments or have any questions about our diversity workshops, please [email us](#).

I have received some wonderful reports about students displaying the school values, from their behaviour and attitude at sports fixtures to being respectful out in the community. I also learned that some students completed some charity work for Children in Need, again proving just how wonderful they are.

Our Year 11s are undertaking their mocks at the moment; I have been incredibly proud of the way they have prepared and the way they have conducted themselves in the exams. They are a credit to the school and their families. In addition to the mocks, there are a number of assessments happening in school at the moment, please help your child to prepare by helping them to be organised and ensuring they revise. We have our Wellbeing Inset Day coming up this Friday. Please encourage your child to do something fun, creative, exciting or different. It is so important that we all take time for ourselves and look after our own wellbeing - I hope your child enjoys the day and don't forget to send in pictures of what they get up to!

L. Swaine, Headteacher



## CELEBRATING EBS VALUES



## WE WILL REMEMBER THEM



The EBS Student Leadership Team left a wreath at the Barnet War Memorial.

- Some EBS students have raised money for Children in Need with a sponsored walk around Arnos Grove Park that they initiated and organised themselves last weekend. Led by Orla from Year 7, EBS students Josie and Nancy from Year 7, Ruby and Ellie from Year 8 and Aoife and Leon from Year 9, together with five other local children - walked over 15km in circuits around the park, raising £570 to date.
- Roman's (8H) continued commitment to his school work when he comes home in the evenings and weekends is truly so inspiring. His thirst to succeed and do well is a true joy to watch. Well done, Roman!
- Tsenat (Y13) and Itseblus (Y8) were truly appreciated by the community when they went shopping for over 80 elders during the pandemic, once a week for 6 months. Amazing!
- Congratulations to Kishan (10E) who achieved a Distinction in his Grade 5 Speaking in Public LAMDA Examination and is now working towards Grade 6.
- Ella (8G) read a reflection on the importance of Remembrance Sunday at the Service of Remembrance at the East Barnet War Memorial on Sunday, 14 November. She spoke about the importance of remembering the service and sacrifice of soldiers in all wars, including her own great-grandfather's, who served close to home in the Home Guard during WWII and as far away as the Philippines during the conflict in the Pacific Theatre.

Click [here](#) to nominate someone you know!

## YEAR 7 DAFFODIL PLANTING

Year 7 students were planting daffodil bulbs this week with Mr Drugan. Hopefully in the spring, we will have a beautiful daffodil display to admire!



## OFFICE NOTICES

1. Students **must not** attend school whilst waiting for the results of a PCR test.
2. The Office is **still unable** to take and pass any personal items onto your child during the day. To prevent any upset or a wasted journey please ensure your child has all their PE kit/equipment/books etc they need for their day.
3. We have lots of lost PE bags, coats, water bottles, etc that have still not been claimed. These are kept in the Medical Room so please ask your child to check. Unclaimed items will be donated to charity in the new year.

**CAREERS UPDATE:** Our next careers update for November is just one click away - [click here](#).

## YEAR 7 HUMANITIES HERALDRY COMPETITION WINNERS!

We are delighted to announce the winner of the Year 7 Humanities Heraldry Competition. All entries were submitted to The Charterhouse, London and after careful deliberation awarded first prize to Grace Seaward Kirby (7E) because she was very clear about what made her unique – and they especially liked her motto “Be Youtiful”! Quality of the entries was so strong that they awarded additional runner-up prizes to Meryem Cumher (7E) and Nathan Sandford (7B) who both used the frame of the shield well with great imagery. Special commendation is also given to Bianka Kaithi (7D) for striking artwork, Lily Griffith (7B) for a standout design and Kalo Ganev (7H) for a lovely idea, and carefully thought out motto – “continue until the end”. Grace will receive a large Talbot soft toy with a smaller toy for the runners-up. The Talbot is the mascot at The Charterhouse which is a place connected to many historical events and characters in the history of England. The building began as a Carthusian priory, founded on the site of a Black Death burial ground in 1371 however since its dissolution by Henry VIII in 1537 it was rebuilt to become one of the greatest courtyard houses of the Tudor period. Queen Elizabeth I stayed at The Charterhouse the week before her coronation and Thomas Sutton, “the wealthiest commoner in England” purchased the site in 1611, establishing a school and almshouse for the old, which remains in occupation today. The school has since relocated to Surrey, but not before some of the schoolboys created the offside rule which still features in modern day football. For more information about The Charterhouse please [click here](#).



**IN RECEIPT OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS?** Barnet Council are providing activities and healthy lunches over the Christmas break. Please [click here](#) for info!

## BASKETBALL SUCCESS



We are extremely proud to announce that the EBS Under-14s Basketball Team came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the borough tournament on 16th November. The team was a mix of Year 8 and 9 students; Erin led the way as an excellent team captain! The girls had four matches, won two but unfortunately just missed out on the final two. It was a tough competition but the girls held their own against well-established teams. There were moments when the girls were challenged and they responded with grace, politeness and courage. For many of them it was their first ever basketball match and they demonstrated a high level of skill, team communication and great sportsmanship by congratulating and naming their player of the tournament. We look forward to more fixtures where the students can complete. Here are the superstars, if you see them please congratulate them: Elif A 9E, Erin Mc 9F, Natasha H 9F, Katie F 9F, Ki-Myrah M 8H, Charlotte P 8F, Korana 8D, Ellie K 8F, Alessia V 8E, Ivon 8H, Bella H 8H.

**WINTER CONCERT**

Tickets are on sale via the [online shop](#). Thursday 9th December, 6pm, auditorium. Adults £3, Concessions £2.

## OAK HILL TIGERS RECRUITMENT!



Oak Hill Tigers FC are looking for an Under 12 Goalkeeper (current Year 7). They train on Thursdays and play in the Watford Friendly League on Sundays. If you are interested in being part of the team, please contact Adam for further details on 07875 390 725.

## OUR CYCLE TRACK IS NEARLY THERE!

Thank you to all volunteers for the ongoing effort to rescue our cycle track - it is coming back to life. Parents, carers, students, former and future(!) students turned out to help. Jamie (Y8) is testing the track that has been recovered! We have one more rescue Saturday on 4th December, so if are able to help please sign up [here](#). On the day, make your way to the rear of the Astroturf and bring equipment if you have. We are also looking for someone with a chipper who can help dispose of shrubbery and brambles. If you are able to help or know of someone, please [email!](#)



## PTFA NOTICES

# BLACK FRIDAY

1. VISIT [SMILE.AMAZON.CO.UK](http://SMILE.AMAZON.CO.UK)
2. NOMINATE EBS PTFA
3. GO BARGAIN HUNTING!

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## WANT TO WORK AT EBS?

We are recruiting! Click [here](#) for details.





## CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

**PLEASE HELP** East Barnet School COLLECT FOOD AND GIFTS FOR HOMELESS ACTION IN BARNET ON

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December!**

For over 20 years, Homeless Action in Barnet have been providing help for homeless men and women across the Borough. They help in providing accommodation and food for those in need, as well helping homeless people access education, helping them to secure employment and with issues regarding health and addiction.

**If you could PLEASE bring any of the following items:**

YOU COULD HELP TO MAKE SOMEONES CHRISTMAS BETTER!

### Christmas gift ideas:

- Men's toiletries i.e. lynx or similar type
- Any gift sets for men or women
- Chocolate bars or boxes
- Hot water bottles
- Nice socks for men and women
- Playing cards
- Small board games

### Food donations:

- Tins of meat i.e. curry, chili
- 'Meals in a tin'
- Small cartons of juice or squash or milk
- Small jars of tomato pasta sauce

Please bring donations in on **WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER!**