

ENDING THE SPRING TERM WITH A BUZZ

The 'Ofsted call' is dreaded by teachers around the country, but when the call came through I was excited to show the inspectors our wonderful school. The process was a positive one and we received praise for the work we are doing, plus, of course, constructive steps to support future developments. We are waiting for the report and I look forward to sharing it with you when it is published.

The buzz in the school this week has been palpable, for the first time in two years we have a school show - Sister Act! The cast received 'break a leg' messages from several of the Sister Act original West End cast, which even included the Oscar nominee and movie star, Cynthia Erivo. The students and staff have been exceptional. The set looked like something from the west end, we had personalised Sister Act biscuits made by a parent, the staff dedication was unimaginable and the cast were phenomenal - outstanding reviews all round. Bravo to all!

It has been unfortunate that we had to close a year group this week but I am grateful for the understanding of the community. I hope that everyone has a peaceful and restful break and I look forward to an exciting summer term which will include our 85th Anniversary celebrations.

L. Swaine, Headteacher

EAST BARNET SCHOOL IS 85! WE HAVE BEEN EDUCATING STUDENTS SINCE 1937!



To celebrate this amazing milestone, we have organised a programme of events starting in the summer term and ending in September. We will be remembering the school through the years, trying out some 'old school' menus, and asking students to volunteer in the local community for 85 minutes, as well as the challenging task of a whole school photo! More details will be released when we return from the Easter Holidays, so watch this space! On top of all of that, we have our huge Summer Fayre on Saturday 25th June which is going to be epic! Planning has already started.

We have booked several retail stalls and car boot pitches, inflatables are in the diary and our international food market is sounding tasty! We are going to have some amazing raffles and prize draws and everyone is invited; this is about more than EBS, it is about having some fun after the last couple of years. We are inviting the local primary school families, the local community, our amazing alumni (why not arrange a reunion?), and everyone who wants to help us celebrate. We can't wait to see you there - more details coming soon. Happy Birthday, EBS!

WOW! WOW! WOW!

Friday 18th March was Red Nose Day and we had students in their own clothes, telling jokes, taking photos with Spiderman and buying red noses. We raised a phenomenal:

£1646! and homemade keyrings raised **£332!**



UNIFORM SHOP

This week, the students have been discussing sustainability and the importance of recycling in PSHEE; we all know that doesn't stop at paper and plastic! So here, we unveil our exciting plan to launch an EBS 'New to You' Uniform Shop this summer! Are you having a spring clean over the Easter Break? Do you have any EBS uniform in good condition that just doesn't fit anymore? Fundraise for our school by donating your good condition, pre-loved or new uniform to our affordable EBS 'New to You' Uniform shop. We will have a stand at our Summer Fayre in June, and an online shop is in the works! Simply bring your clean uniform to the front office and we will do the rest!

Thank you, Miss McDonnell



ENGLISH LITERATURE A-LEVEL THEATRE TRIP



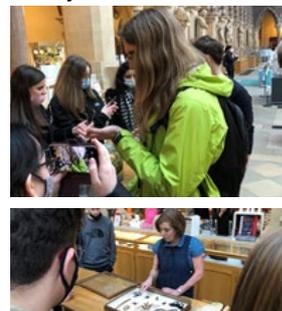
Year 12 and 13 English Literature students went to the National Theatre this term to see their core text, *Wuthering Heights*. The performance was enjoyed by all and sparked a new level of discussion and debate surrounding the depiction of characters, setting and themes. Seeing the text set to music and dance was memorable and innovative. We hope this trip elevates both year groups in their understanding of the novel and particularly aids Year 13s in their exam revision!



EBS STUDENTS AIMING HIGH!



Year 11 and Year 12 students went to Oxford University this term. They enjoyed a tour, a Q&A with current students and a delicious lunch in the hall that inspired Hogwarts! We hope that students have a greater understanding of higher education and university life.



Workshop at the Natural History Museum in Oxford - featuring some cockroaches!

Hogwarts Lunch!

HOLLYWOOD BOWL TRIP



A group of Year 9 students enjoyed a trip to Hollywood Bowl this month. This was a special treat from Hunor, one of our EAL students who won the Jack Petchey award in November for his progress in school after moving to the UK and a new school in Year 7. Generously, he decided to use some of the Jack Petchey money to give this group of Year 9 students the opportunity to socialise out of school, get to

know each other better and have some fun! The remainder of the award is going to be used to extend the EAL library and the range of books available. Thank You, Hunor.

SUMMER TERM NOTICES

1. As the weather improves (hopefully), please remember your water bottle - we have no plastic cups, plus they are bad for the environment!
2. All students using the astro at break and lunch need to wear trainers.

BAKING UP A STORM IN THE STUDENT HUB:

On Friday there was a delicious aroma coming from The Student Hub. Sometimes students get the opportunity to bake for their peers and offer delights!



CAN YOU HELP US FUNDRAISE?



With our Summer Fayre fast approaching, we are working with Mantle Estate Agents in Barnet Village. They are kindly offering to sponsor us for each estate agent board we can put up in the local area. Can you offer a little space outside your house for three weeks in June? Please email 85@eastbarnetschool.com for more details. Each board raises a little funding for the school.

THE FUTURE IS BIATHLON



Following on from a previous article in an earlier newsletter the school wanted me to keep you abreast of my biathlon experience. Over the last two weeks I have been away in Canada training in biathlon. This winter sport comprises of cross-country skiing and rifle shooting. This is all in preparation to compete for Great Britain next season, as I have made onto the British Biathlon Development Squad, advancing from the talent programme.

The eight members of the squad including me, spent time training alongside the Canadian Youth Team and I was lucky enough to get some personal feedback from one of the 2022 Winter Olympics Canadian biathletes. During the camp we would ski between 20-50km in various types of sessions, including a few interval sessions, and we raced on the Canadian National Biathlon Circuit. The skiing alone is exhausting but we were lucky enough to borrow some biathlon rifles to get us to mimic the format of a real race, where you have to ski and then bring your heart rate down to be able to shoot at a 50m target and then go and ski some more, whilst you normally have to shoot around four times in each race. [Click here](#) to view my promotional video.

Elena Roncarati, Year 13

The EBS PE Department and Staff are very proud of her achievements!

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U18S NETBALL TEAM



Congratulations to the U18 Netball team for reaching the Barnet League Final, beating Ashmole 17-11 and Wren 22-10 along the way. They played in a nail-bitingly tight game against Hendon School, narrowly losing out in the final few minutes 14-12. The play was end to end, with the lead changing hands on more than one occasion. Well done to all that took part, on their hard work, superb teamwork and cooperation and talented interception and possession play - it was a fantastic occasion.

Ms Potter, PE Teacher

HOUSE UPDATE - LEADERS BOARD!

It has been a busy term, with many opportunities for students and staff to get involved and make a difference to the Leader Board. From January Twos, through to World Book Day! Competition is fierce, and House Points have accumulated at a rapid speed! Results at the end of term:

1st: Keller - 22,342 House Points

2nd: Murray - 19,523 House Points

3rd : Tutu - 18,766 House Points

4th : Chama - 17,556 House Points

Well done to Keller...but it could all change! Keep doing the right thing, showing you want to learn and taking part in the house activities and opportunities available.

Fancy joining a girls football club?

Barnet Panthers FC are looking for girls to join our football teams



Panthers is a brand new club providing a supportive, safe space for girls to play football whilst also having fun

If you would like to come down to one of our sessions please get in touch at contact@barnetpanthers.com



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KS4 GIRLS' FOOTBALL



The KS4 girls made it to the Borough Football finals against Wren at London Academy. The team had a great time playing in the gorgeous early Spring sunshine, despite Wren's early goal, spurring the girls on to work together and equalise. The goals kept on coming and the score stayed at 2-2 for a while, with our defence holding off attacks with amazing tackles. We pushed forward and had a few chances. In the last 5 mins Wren saw an opening and the ball went high and dipped at the last moment in to the goal. The girls kept on pushing, but the final whistle blew with Wren winning 3-2. Well done to: Hanan I., Anya A., Lauren K., Alexandra S., Milly K., Missy G., Renee B., Liana S., Anna L-R., Yasmin A., Lilly L., Zahra A-A., Anastasia S.

BOYS' FOOTBALL

The Year 8, 10 and Senior boys teams have all progressed to the semi-final of the league knock-out stages in their competitions. The Year 10s put in an impressive display against St James', winning 7-1, with a similar strong performance from the Year 8s this week, who beat Archer Academy 5-1. The Year 8s performed with maturity and respect throughout the game and were excellent role models on the pitch. The Senior 1st XI team are now through to the League Final after a comprehensive win against Wren Academy last night in the semi-final. With the game poised at 1-1 at half time, the team put in a strong performance in the second half, scoring three quick goals to see off a strong Wren team. The final will take place after Easter. Good luck in the next rounds!!

WE ARE SO PROUD OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

Well done to Eamon A. 8E, Eefah A. 7F, Florence E. 10F, Josie R. 7B, Olivia C. 7A, Sean W. 7H and Sina A. 10D for taking part in the UK Youth Parliament and Youth Ambassador Elections for Barnet 2022. Unfortunately, they were not elected into the four positions available, however, we were informed that they were just outside of the two top spots for each of the Parliament and Ambassador positions, and in particular Josie was only 0.5% off the 2nd place for Youth Ambassador! They have done themselves, EBS and the community proud, and we are sure that this is just the beginning of some of their journeys, in terms of 'Being the Voice' and campaigning on issues that matter to young people! We really are SUPER PROUD of you all. Also, a big Thank You to the 920 students that voted in the dedicated voting sessions that we organised at school. This was one of the highest voting turnouts that the borough had encountered, and again a good experience for students to think and vote for candidates and their manifestos!

WE ARE RECRUITING!

We have a few exciting vacancies on our website in both teaching and support staff roles, just waiting to be filled by the right person. For more information [click here](#).



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EAST BARNET SCHOOL'S
Summer Fayre
EDUCATING STUDENTS FOR OVER 85 YEARS | 1937-2022

WE ARE SO EXCITED TO BRING THIS COMMUNITY EVENT TO BARNET!

- ▶ **Special Guests** ◀
- ▶ **Amazing Entertainment** ◀
- ▶ **Delicious Food & Treats** ◀
- ▶ **Arts & Crafts Stalls** ◀
- ▶ **Car Boot Sale** ◀
- ▶ **Pre-loved Uniform** ◀
- ▶ **Live Music** ◀
- ▶ **Prize Draws & Raffle** ◀
- ▶ **Fun Family Activities** ◀

As a community event, we are keen to invite sellers from the local area. If you would like a car boot pitch, arts & crafts stall or to sponsor the event please email 85@eastbarnetschool.com for further details.

SATURDAY 25TH JUNE FROM 11AM AT EBS

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"I want to learn"

WORTHY WINNERS!

It was an absolute pleasure to present Jack Petchey awards this term to Jazmine and Starlin, both of whom have shown great determination to overcome challenges and continuously demonstrate our schools' values of "*I want to learn*" and "*Do the right thing*". Not only is this personal recognition for them as individuals, but they have been able with the Jack Petchey financial award to purchase English reading materials and Drama equipment to support other students across the school. Well done, Jazmine and Starlin!



January 2022 – Jazmine Vangucci, 10H

Jazmine has shown such determination to succeed and overcome past challenges in school. She works hard in all lessons, showing focus and perseverance, and her confidence continues to grow. She has taken steps to ensure that she is in the best position to focus and enhance her learning, and this has been demonstrated in her English work. She has come a long way and she shows courage in every lesson by contributing and participating even when she may be unsure and not feel completely confident on the topic. She is also polite, friendly and shows gratitude for every lesson, thanking her English teacher and saying 'Bye' at the end of each lesson. Jazmine is a lovely, hardworking and determined student, consistently demonstrating our schools' values of wanting to learn and doing the right thing. Well done, Jazmine!

February 2022 – Starlin Montero Vinas, 9G

Starlin joined EBS in October 2020 as a new Year 8 student amidst the COVID pandemic which meant that his first experience of the school was to be sat in a Science lab for a majority of his lessons as teachers moved from room to room to teach 8G. This didn't make for the most positive start to a brand-new school in a brand-new country where the education system is quite different to what would have been experienced in the Dominican Republic, where he spent much of his childhood. Despite this, Starlin did his best to settle in to, what must have felt like an alien environment. Just a year on it is wonderful to see how well Starlin has settled and progressed. As his Geography teacher I am amazed by how well he contributes to lessons, how he uses his tablet to translate new vocabulary without being prompted and the confidence he demonstrates in reading aloud in front of the class despite English not being his first language. Academically he has made progress but more importantly his character has developed and blossomed. He is always keen to chat and always has a smile on his face. Greetings and chats in the lunch queue always brighten the day. Starlin embodies the culture of EBS in being kind and respectful. He is motivated and works hard. He has developed a growth mindset and now has more self-belief than he did in Year 8, and always tries his hardest to show progress made. We are very proud of his journey so far and he is a worthy recipient of the Jack Petchey award for his resilience. Well done, Starlin!

A SAD FAREWELL

MR PARSONS

The wonderful English teacher Mr Parsons will be leaving us at Easter for pastures new. An inspirational teacher who has been a gentle and kind form tutor throughout the years, we thank him for all the care and consideration he has given to our students. Former students still speak fondly of him long after they leave and he will be sorely missed!



Mr Parsons is a master of the English Language and a true wordsmith, his lessons are always fun and diverse and we truly wish him the best of luck for his next chapter. Keep in touch Mr Parsons, you are much loved and will be missed!
Love from EBS English faculty and the students x

MR SADLER

Mr Sadler is leaving after 20 years at EBS. He has been an inspiration to students for many years. His passion for Robotics has taken them to the very pinnacle of success in this game and the students are very sad to see him go. His entrepreneurial skills have provided numbers of students with amazing opportunities they will never forget. He is a valued member of the Faculty and will be very much missed by us and all the people he has supported with his IT skills. We wish him all the best for his future enterprise.



MRS KENNEDY

Mrs Kennedy is retiring after 34 1/2 years of working at EBS. She has been an amazing technician, support and friend to staff and students in the Food and Textiles Department. She is a beautiful person inside and out with more energy than the rest of us put together. Rather than retiring to put her feet up she is going to volunteer at Brunswick Park Junior School and spend more time with her family. We will miss her and wish her all the best in the future.

BREAKING NEWS Mrs Kennedy has agreed to continue to support EBS until her replacement is appointed, so you may see her around next term!



WE ARE WATCHING YOU ON TIKTOK!

This is just a reminder to all students that we are watching activity on TikTok very closely. As a school we are able to report profiles very quickly and get them removed. Using the school badge is a breach of copyright. [Click here](#) for a letter from the police regarding your responsibilities when using TikTok.

CAREERS UPDATE

We recommend students (particularly Y8 upwards) use the online Careers platform, [Startprofile](#) to build up their "profile", answering simple questions about likes/dislikes and interests. For older year groups, there are excellent virtual work experiences that can be used on their CV. To login, use school email address and Startprofile password, click "forgotten password" to reset. For problems logging in, use the subject "Start Login" and email careers@eastbarnetschool.com. We are trialling use of the Careers Sharepoint again to notify students of Careers opportunities (it is currently being updated). Students can access this from the Skooler Dashboard - scroll to external apps and click "Careers" box. There will be information about company apprenticeships, university taster courses, bursaries and virtual work experience. Students can "follow" the Careers Sharepoint for updates. We also have an important notice and some upcoming opportunities [here](#).