

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

With the start of our International Women's Day celebrations starting and the opening of our whole-school Musical, *Matilda*, it has been a wonderful but busy week in school. Rosaleen Blair, CBE, an award winning entrepreneur, investor, philanthropist and pioneer in the global workforce solutions industry, came into speak to our Year 10 students and to a selection of Sixth Formers. She gave an inspiring story about having resilience in the face of adversity and reminded us of how important our values, "*I want to learn*" and "*Do the right thing*" are. She also made reference to how powerful Unifrog is helping students plan for their future careers. Please ensure your child has logged into the [platform](#) and is making the most out of what it has to offer. On the same day, our Year 7 and 8 Girls' Football Team also won the Tottenham Hotspur Foundation International Women's Day Trophy! In addition to this, my favourite time of the year, the school show is here! Pulling off such a spectacular performance is not an easy feat and all the staff and students involved must be commended for their hard work and commitment. You are all superstars.

L. Swaine, Headteacher

ROSALEEN BLAIR CBE



As you have heard, to celebrate International Women's Day, we invited Rosaleen Blair CBE to

come and talk to our Year 10 students. Rosaleen is an award-winning entrepreneur, philanthropist, investor and the founder and Chair of AMS (a global workforce solutions company). Rosaleen engaged students with interesting and humorous stories of how she started a small childcare business, before expanding abroad and eventually running her current company employing over 12000 people! Students asked her some great questions! When asked about her dyslexia which was diagnosed at 20 years old, she called it a super-power as it allows her to think differently. Rosaleen advised students to use the Unifrog careers portal for research, writing a CV and recording skills. She also sung the praises of doing voluntary work and having a part-time job; both are great ways of improving your skills. Another of Rosaleen's tips is to practice resilience! A big thank-you to Jane Caffrey, for helping to organise the event, to Rosaleen and to the AMS team.

A TRIP TO OXFORD

Year 11 and 12 students had a fantastic day at Oxford exploring the campus/having lunch and taking part in an academic workshop at a Museum - we were also joined by Adam Craig who left EBS last year and is currently studying at Oxford.



THE ARRIVAL OF SPRING - BIG PAINTING CHALLENGE!

Calling all student artists - it's time to spring into action with 'The Arrival of Spring' Big Painting Challenge. This is an opportunity to create a piece of work for display, to celebrate the wonderful time of year we are entering. To the left, is *The Arrival of Spring in Woldgate, East Yorkshire* by British Artist, David Hockney. This has been painted across



multiple panels that when put together create a life-sized panoramic view. Students that want to contribute will be given a section of this painting to copy. Entries will then be joined together like a puzzle to complete the scene. You can use a medium of your choice but must use colour as this project is a celebration of spring. Winning entries will be selected on mastery of the medium chosen, how accurate to the original it feels and how well it fits within the overall image. Templates and images can be collected from Mr Davies' Art Room (321), before school, break, lunch & after school. Closing date is 24th March and there are plenty of House Points to be won!

YEAR 7 GIRLS FEEL ON TOP OF THE WORLD



Four of our Year 7 girls delivered an amazing performance at the Barnet Dance on Wednesday 9th March. The girls wanted to dance to a song that was uplifting and brought joy to the audience, choosing *Feeling on Top of the World* by Justin Timberland. They had worked hard on their piece under the excellent leadership and guidance of our Year 12 student, Ruby Petitt. They certainly brought lots of joy to the audience and did themselves and the school proud with a fantastic dance. Well done to Lexi Bradshaw, Lexi Mason, Mia Castro Pasterny and Kaila Eyyub for their super efforts!

JACK PETCHEY IN FEBRUARY

February's Jack Petchey Achievement Award was presented during the Chama House Assembly, to Anna Volstad, a Chama House Ambassador who was jointly delivering the assembly with her fellow ambassadors. This meant that Anna's fellow house students got to see first-hand what one of their house members can achieve and contribute not only to the house, but the school community and much wider!

Anna Volstad, 12C

It is a true level of recognition when students nominate their peers, as this student has been. Anna has gone above and beyond this year. Firstly, she spoke in our school assemblies about her visit to Auschwitz, to remember the Holocaust and educate students about anti-Semitism; as an Ambassador for the Holocaust Educational Trust she was chosen to make a speech at the House of Commons to a number of esteemed and influential figures. She has done this, like everything she does with conviction and courage, and has since joined the Trust as an Ambassador on her own merit, following the completion of the 'Lessons from Auschwitz project' (through school). Secondly, Anna is a talented musician. She has played 'The Last Post' in school on a number of occasions and at East Barnet Village in recognition of Remembrance Day, and has been in school productions since she joined EBS in Year 7! Her peers have described her as brave, passionate to speak out, kind, inspiring and always bettering herself, and widening her knowledge - all key qualities of a worthy Jack Petchey Award and member of EBS!

STUDENT VOICE SELECT HOUSE CHARITIES

To reflect our changing world, community and areas of challenge, each Student Voice House meeting (attended by House Ambassadors and House Captains) discussed and agreed on their chosen charity, which they will support in forthcoming events.



Chama House

have chosen [Great Ormond Street Hospital \(GOSH\)](#). We chose GOSH because they make a big difference to the lives of so many children, some of whom have been, are now, and will be members of EBS. Every day, around 600 seriously ill children arrive at GOSH from all over the UK. Doctors and nurses battle complex illnesses and do incredible research. We want to make a difference to people less fortunate than us and support those who do so much to give seriously ill children the best chances in life.

Mr Steele (Head of Chama House)



Keller House

have chosen [Noah's Ark Hospice](#), as it is an organisation that has supported a family connected to the school. Noah's Ark Hospice help babies, children and young people with life-threatening or life-limiting conditions, and their families, make the most of every day. And they support those who die young to do so in as much comfort as possible, surrounded by family. The hospice enables those they support to enjoy life as children, rather than as patients; as families, not just as carers.

Mr Davies (Head of Keller House)



Murray House

have chosen [Children with Cancer UK](#). The charity is specifically for children with cancer and helping families, supporting them in their time of need. They have helped many families navigate life through treatment and beyond. They also invest in valuable research, driving forward the vision of a world where every child survives cancer. They work closely with scientists to improve diagnosis and find better, kinder treatments. Over the last 35 years, they have funded over 300 cancer research projects for children and young people.

Ms Brady (Head of Murray House)



Tutu House

have chosen [Acid Survivors Trust International \(ASTI\)](#). It is a UK registered not-for-profit charity and the only international organisation whose sole purpose is to end acid violence globally. Whilst acid attacks rarely kill, they cause permanent damage and have lifelong physical and psychological effects on the victims. By raising funds for ASTI, we can help eliminate acid/burn violence, mobilise resources to assist survivors and end acid attacks.

Ms Tsiotsi (Head of Tutu House)

Supporting our local communities - 'Don't turn your back'

Following the overwhelming success of the Advent Calendar donations before Christmas, we are running another one for Easter - think eggs, chocolate animals, selection boxes, and more chocolate! Food Bank Aid who we donate our collections to, are running a campaign to raise much needed funds to help those in need. In a 36-hour window, on the 19th and 20th March, they are aiming to raise £1,000,000 to help get through the rest of 2023 and continue to help thousands of people. All donations will be 'matched', so effectively doubled. Any donation no matter how big or small is so greatly appreciated. Click [here](#) for more information.

Anthea Lambi, Year 12 (Leadership - Fundraising and Community Initiatives)

Drop off donations in the Sixth Form Café, before school & Form Time on 22nd/23rd March!



FOOD BANK AID

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

At East Barnet School, we believe that Parent Governors play an important role in the life and ethos of our school and in bringing a parental perspective to inform the decisions of the Governing Body. We are inviting applications from parents or carers from any social, religious or ethnic background who would be willing to play a key role in our school, sharing their knowledge, experience and enthusiasm. Our Governing Body would benefit particularly from new governors with experience in the areas of Business/Financial Strategy, Law, Premises and Facilities Management, Special Education Needs and Higher Education. Information on the role can be found [here](#). To help you decide about standing for election, you may also wish to contact a current Governor. You can do this via email to Siobain Waters at swaters2@eastbarnetschool.com. To apply, please complete this [Parent Governor Candidate Form](#). Applications close at 9am on Monday, 27th March '23.

EASTER ACTIVITIES



Barnet Active Creative Engaging holidays

BACE HOLIDAYS

Free holiday club activities are available for eligible children in Barnet - from Reception to Year 11!

Spring 2023
3-6 April & 11-14 April 2023

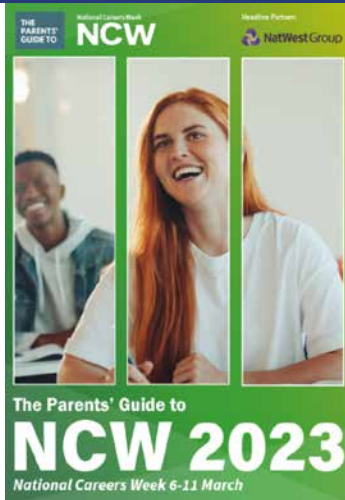
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Partners: BARNET, Department for Education, YOUNG BARNET, BARNET

CAREERS BOARD

With so many amazing career opportunities coming up, the wonderful Careers Team at EBS have updated their latest careers information to ensure that the students have the best access to what is happening in the world of careers and employment. You can access it by clicking [here](#). We are also sharing a great resource that can be accessed by clicking the image on the right. Any questions, please speak to the Careers Team.



The Parents' Guide to **NCW 2023**
National Careers Week 6-11 March

Partners: NatWest Group

TEACHER'S STRIKE

As you may have seen in the media, the NEU have planned strikes for Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March. An email was sent to you this morning regarding the EBS approach to the strike days. If you did not receive the email, please contact the school office.

We need your help to raise money for a new suite of keyboards for all of our students

Donate on ParentPay by selecting 'PTFA Donation'



Thank you for your support

Keyboard Appeal

WE ARE RECRUITING!

We have a some really exciting vacancies on our website, just waiting to be filled by the right people. We are looking for a Head of Computing, Teacher of Geography, Teacher of Science and Science Technician. If you, or someone you know, would like to join #TeamEBS, we would love to hear from you. All close soon though! For more information [click here](#).



HOMEWORK PROBLEMS ON STUDENT PORTAL?

If students are struggling to access their homework on Student Portal, Ms Piazza will be available after school on Mondays in room 334.

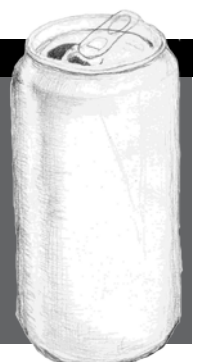
LIFTING THE CUP FOR THE GIRLS!



As Ms Swaine said at the start of this issue of EBS News, a huge congratulations to the Year 7 and 8 Girls' Football Team who won the Tottenham Hotspur's Academy International Women's Day Cup. The girls played in four group matches winning 4-0, 5-0 and 2-0 with a 0-0 draw, meaning they won their group. They won the semi-final against Heartlands 2-0 and faced Alexandra Park in the final. The final ended 0-0 with all 10 girls playing at least half the game. The penalty shootout was over swiftly with fantastic finishing from Ellie Beels, Keisi Bajraktari and Sophie Wilson meaning we won 3-1. Special mentions to Samantha Constantine, Bela Ludemann, Amelia Ioalim, Abi Gowyer, Emily Traynor and Ayla Ibrahim for all contributing to zero goals being conceded in the whole tournament. Amazing attacking contributions from Daisy Taylor, Sophie Wilson, Keisi Bajraktari and Ellie Beels. Well done!

ENERGY / FIZZY DRINKS

Students are encouraged to bring water into school in a reusable bottle that can be refilled at our water fountains. Only water or drinks purchased in the EBS Kitchen are permitted in school. Energy drinks and fizzy drinks are banned and will be confiscated. Please remind students not to bring them into school.



IN AID OF

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RED
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DAY

Support Red Nose Day and donate £1 (or whatever you can) and wear ONE item of red clothing on Friday 17th March e.g. red socks, tie, jumper. You should still wear your regular full school uniform (no hats, midriffs showing or offensive slogans please).

To make donating easier you can pay using this direct Parent Pay link, <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=11330> but we will also have the House Ambassadors coming around to collect cash as well on Friday morning.

RED NOSE DAY IS BACK!

FRIDAY 17 MARCH