

## EXAM SEASON IS UPON US

It is exam season! The time seems to have passed so quickly, I can't believe we are here already. The students have been exceptional in their conduct and they have made a wonderful start in their exam journey. As tradition dictates, we bid a fond farewell to the Year 11s and 13s in celebration assemblies, taking time to recognise these young people who have made a positive contribution to our community and will be sorely missed. I took pride in sharing with them one of our Mr Christou's (previous Headteacher) favourite stories; the lemon tree, it is perfectly apt as the students embark on their steps.

My father bought me a small lemon tree to plant in the garden of our house in Cyprus. I put it in the ground and covered the roots in soil, but the small tree just flopped to the ground and looked quite sad. "It needs a stick" said my Dad. So he gave me a good strong stick and said, "Put that in the ground next to it and tie it up with some string so that it can be held upright." As the years went by, the tree grew bigger and my Dad would periodically loosen the string so that the tree could grow a thicker trunk. After a few years, when I thought the trunk looked strong enough to no longer need support, I asked my father whether it was time to remove the stick. "No, not yet" he said. "The winter is coming and the tree is not yet strong enough to survive the fierce winds." In caring for this tree, there is a lesson about how we have tried to look after our students and now it is time to let them go. We wish them all the best in their exams.

L. Swaine, Headteacher

## WE WON! WE WON! WE WON! LET'S GO ZERO 2030 x IKEA COMPETITION



One of our school priorities is sustainability, and a couple of months ago, we entered a competition to help our school on that journey by revamping this area of the grounds. This competition is run by Let's Go Zero 2030 who plan to help schools reduce their carbon footprint to zero by 2030. The competition is financially supported by IKEA. We wanted to use the money we raised at the Summer Fayre to support students, staff and the environment, so we will be using those funds to buy an outside wooden structure that can be used as an educational classroom, a peaceful area and somewhere to appreciate nature. IKEA will be funding all the furniture we need and helping to develop our allotment to make it a biodiverse area for wildlife. We will also be installing some water butts to collect rain water to keep the allotment healthy, and putting in some composters for waste in the kitchen. You will have seen recently that we are having a drive on food waste at lunchtimes, and this will bring together those two ideas. We are really excited to see this dream become a reality, and we will share some photos as it is progressing. When we have our official opening, we would love to invite parents/ carers and local businesses, so look out for the invitation!



## YEAR 7 SCIENCE TRIP

A group of Year 7 students, chosen as a reward for good behaviour, had the chance to visit Middlesex University as part of an NHS Allied Healthcare event. Students were able to take part in workshops involving sleep science, audiology, cardiac physiology, genome science and neurophysiology (brain and nerve science). It was a fantastic chance to see what life at a university is really like, especially as Middlesex University has a new animation suite and a workshop for fashion design. It is also a medical school and offers medical degrees, midwifery as well as allied healthcare courses including neurophysiology. For more details see the link in the Careers update below.



## YEAR 10 OXFORD UNIVERSITY TRIP

A group of Year 10 students were chosen to visit Oxford University as part of a partnership between Christ Church College and Barnet schools. We were lucky to have beautiful sunshine and the students were amazed to see the impressive architecture including the famous Great Hall where we had our lunch. Students took part in a poetry workshop and showed off their excellent analytical skills. There was also a workshop deciphering how certain classical pottery was used in Medieval times (again, EBS students made perceptive contributions and showed critical thinking). Finally, there was a history workshop looking at an ancient text from the Ottoman empire - students showed great investigative skills and knowledge. Christ Church College hope to build on this relationship and will encourage and assist various students to apply in Year 13.



## CAREERS BOARD



Go in the right direction with the latest update from the EBS Careers Team!

**FIND OUT MORE**



**ARE YOU FOLLOWING US ON LINKEDIN?**

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## EAST BARNET SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS

**TASTES  
— OF THE —  
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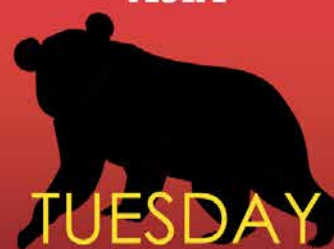
MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY -  
FRIDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY

**NORTH AMERICA**



**MONDAY**

**ASIA**



**TUESDAY**

**AFRICA**



**WEDNESDAY**

**EUROPE**



**THURSDAY**

**SOUTH AMERICA**



**FRIDAY**

To celebrate International Day of Culture, we will be having a culinary tour of the world during lunchtimes next week. The Kitchen have been inspired by worldwide cuisine and are preparing a range of international tastes for our students, visiting a new continent each day. Menus will be up around the school and on [Twitter](#) - check it out! In addition, students have the opportunity to take part in a cultural quiz by [clicking this link](#). The top 15 scorers will be put into a draw to win a £30 Amazon voucher. Runners up will receive a queue jump pass for the lunch queue. To access the quiz, students need to be logged in to their school account. They will only be allowed one attempt at the quiz. All entries must be submitted by Sunday 28th May at 10pm. The link has also been sent to students via their email accounts. Good Luck Everyone!!

### NEW UNIFORM SUPPLIER AND PE KIT

#### WE HAVE A NEW UNIFORM SUPPLIER

INTRODUCING  
**UNIFORM4KIDS**  
UNIFORM4KIDS.COM

**Why are we changing suppliers now?**  
We periodically review contracts to make sure the supplier is chosen in the interest of families to ensure affordability, quality and value for money.

**Why have you chosen Uniform4Kids?**  
With increasing manufacturing costs, they are best value for money, with high quality products and good customer service.

**Will the number of branded items increase?**  
No. We have kept branded items to a minimum to allow parents/carers to shop around and achieve best value for money.

**Will I still be able to pay in instalments?**  
Yes, you can pay via Clearpay in 4 interest-free payments.

**Where are Uniform4Kids?**  
The stores are slightly further away, with the closest being in Enfield and another in Mill Hill. However:

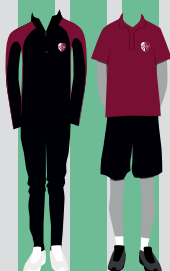
- You can order online 24/7.
- Take advantage of free click and collect to school during term time.
- Try on sample sizes in school.
- Attend a Pop-Up Shop on-site at EBS.

**What is a Pop-Up Shop?**  
Uniform4Kids will set up a shop here. You can be measured, try on items, ask for advice and purchase what you need, here at EBS.

**When is this starting?**  
Uniform4Kids will be our supplier on 1st June.

NEXT EBS POP-UP SHOP: WED 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY 3PM - 5:30PM

#### WE HAVE A NEW PE KIT



**EAST BARNET SCHOOL**

**Why are you changing the PE kit?**  
We are modernising the PE kit following feedback from students.

- What is the new PE kit?**
- Maroon Polo Shirt with logo - only available from Uniform4Kids.
  - Black and Maroon Trackuit Top with logo - optional but if on outer top is worn, it must be this one.
  - Trackuit Bottoms - can be plain black from any retailer or matching the Trackuit Top from Uniform4Kids.
  - Shorts - plain black with no logo from any retailer.
  - Leggings - optional but if worn must be from Uniform4Kids.
  - Plain white sports or ankle socks from any retailer.
  - Trainers in any colour and as plain as possible from any retailer.

**Do students need to buy the new PE kit?**  
No! The PE kit is being phased in. All new Year 7s will be in the new PE kit in September 2023. Other year groups can remain in the old PE kit.

**Can we still buy the old PE kit?**  
Smiths Schoolwear have been running down the stocks of the old PE kit, and Uniform4Kids will be selling their remaining stock. Once they have sold out, only the new PE kit will be available. We also have some available from our Pre-Loved shop. If students in Year 8+ need replacement items and are unable to purchase the old kit, they can purchase the new kit.

**Are you still having Houses?**  
Yes! The House System will remain, as will House Points, but the new PE kit will reflect the branding of the school.

### SUMMER CONCERT

**Summer Concert AUDITIONS**

Auditions: Tuesday 30 May 2023  
Concert: Tuesday 20 June 2023

Collect an application form from room 304/305  
Get your acts/pieces ready or join a music club (see music corridor for club posters)

### DEADLINE EXTENDED

The deadline has been extended for the Student Planner Front Cover Design competition to Friday 26th May. Remember, designs can be hand-drawn or electronic, and can be created for KS3, 4 and/or 5. All entrants will receive a House Point, and the winning designs not only gain House Points, but their design will be on the front cover of next year's Planners. Please see the assignment on Student Portal and submit your designs through the link provided. Your designs must be on the template on Student Portal.

### PTFA NOTICE

**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**

**NUTS:** Please remember we are a nut free building - some staff and students have severe allergies!



**ARE YOU 10-14 YEARS OLD?  
DO YOU HAVE A  
PASSION  
FOR  
FASHION?  
DO YOU HAVE INDIVIDUAL STYLE?**

Would you like to show off your creative design skills to celebrities + showcase your ideas to the fashion world?

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**THE MAKERS OF "HORRIBLE HISTORIES" ARE  
LOOKING FOR 10 TO 14 YEAR OLDS FOR A  
BRAND NEW STYLING CHALLENGE SHOW FOR  
BBC CBBC + iPLAYER**

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## Come and join us and find out how to become a Parent Champion

### An exciting opportunity to...

- Find out more about becoming a Parent Champion
- Explore the different opportunities to you as a Parent Champion
- Meet some of our current Parent Champions
- Find out about local services and support for families in Barnet
- Enjoy a FREE lunch!

**Wednesday  
28 June 2023  
11am – 2.30pm**

### Order of the day

11am	Registration and refreshments.
11.30am	Introduction to Barnet Parent Champion Programmes.
12.30pm	Networking lunch with photo opportunities and information stalls.



Music & Entertainment will be provided by Barnet Children & Young People

Venue: Canada Villa, Pursley Road, Mill Hill NW7 2BU  
To book a place email: [eyph@barnet.gov.uk](mailto:eyph@barnet.gov.uk)

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**Barnet Active Creative Engaging holidays**

**BACE  
HOLIDAYS**

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

**have fun** **get active** **learn new skills**

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

**BOOK NOW**

**[barnetyouth.uk/BACEHolidays](http://barnetyouth.uk/BACEHolidays)**



## FRIENDS OF DANEGROVE PRESENTS

## DANEGROVE SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR

**Saturday 10th June  
2023**

**11am to 3pm**

**WINDSOR DRIVE**

- Stalls •
- Games •
- Tombola •
- BBQ •

- Food & Drinks •
- Raffles •

- Entertainment •
- Bouncy Castle •

JOIN US FOR  
LOTS OF FUN!

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THE CAT HILL GATE

ENTRY – ADULTS £1  
CHILDREN FREE

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