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### **CELEBRATIONS FROM AROUND THE WORLD**

Another fantastic week at EBS, with the Year 9 Spanish trip underway, Sixth Form induction lessons, the GCSE and A-Level Art and Photography Exhibition and the Summer Concert. Seeing our young people excelling in the things that they love is such a privilege. During this special time of year, we see our older students preparing to depart and we welcome our new students for Year 6 parents' evening and induction days. Watching our students arrive full of hope and excitement and seeing them leave confident, mature and competent young adults is an honour and responsibility we do not take for granted. I am lucky enough to receive lovely letters this time of year from both students and parents and one stood out to me;

"I know you only probably hear from parents when there is something to complain about or there's an issue, but there are grateful parents such as me who are admiring what you do from a distance, seeing you make a difference and feeling so grateful you are educating our children and most importantly for me, keeping them safe, treating them with respect and preparing them for the adult world".

I am delighted that EBS can achieve what we set out to; for students to excel academically and to develop the whole person by building character. The students in this letter, like many before them, epitomised our *"I <u>want</u> to learn"* and *"Do the <u>right</u> thing"* values.

L. Swaine, Headteacher



Once again, the Summer concert was a huge success and very well attended. Thank you to everyone who came to support our musicians. There were some amazing performances and the standard was higher than ever!

Hannah Kudlick 12A & Paulina Frodyma 12B opened the show with one of their own songs, followed by Erin McCafferty 10F, who performed a beautiful and moving piece on the piano. Jessica Price 9E followed this with a truly powerful and exciting rendition of *Defying Gravity* from *Wicked* - Jess is becoming a real powerhouse!

Aranee Balakumar 8D always chooses beautiful pieces and her *Study in Ab* on the piano was lovely. Isabel Harmer 10C and Shanti Mahey 10D are two exceptionally talented musicians who are studying music at GCSE, and they produced a beautiful and lyrical performance of a flute and piano duet. Hewad Baheer 9F gave a fantastic performance on the piano and the first half ended with the Papa-Ricas, who are a newly formed band made up of mostly Year 9 students. Alfie Downs 9B starred on the drums whilst vocals were provided by Jess and Aranee. Hewad and Daisy were on keys and Nikayla played bass. They have gelled so well together in a short time and their performance of *Fortunate Daughter* was outstanding! The second half opened with two pieces by the orchestra. Many of our older orchestra members have recently moved on as they finish their GCSE and A-Level exams and for many of our new orchestral players it was their first public performance. *Defender of us All* was written for the coronation of King Charles III by an ex-music teacher of the Princess of Wales. Then for fun, they performed *The Magnificent Seven* because they are all of course magnificent! (Flutes: Amelie Watson-Wade 13E, Mithra Abdollahian Rahmati 7A and Vivian Angeli 7D, Clarinet: Davi Martins Dos Santos Freire 7G, Trumpets: Alexander Sandeman 10D and Johannes Brewer 8A, Drums: Sophie Adelagun 8D, Violins: Grace Heitzman and Anya Renzullo 7H).

Naresh Mohamad-Salim 12C made us all laugh with his witty and well-executed performance of *Great At Crime* and it wouldn't have been an EBS concert without a piano medley from Daisy Smith 9D which ended with her own composition.

Renee Brodie 12C and Yasmin Aka 12C gave a passionate performance of *You Sent Me Flying* and Azranur Kartal 7E followed this with an advanced piano piece, playing with real maturity. Nikayla is a seasoned band performer



but tonight she also performed her first solo performance, Bring Back That Leroy Brown. It was definitely the coolest performance of the evening!

The night ended on a high with two rock songs by Velocity. They have really flourished over the last year and last week had their first external gig at the Arts Depot in North Finchley. (Vocals: Edward Cunningham 8F, Keys: Louis Parnes 8A, Guitar: Trystan Hueber 10C, Bass: Nikayla McLeod-Lynch 9G Drums: Joshua Nicholson 8B).

As always, the concert was not just about our performers. Thank you to Mr Potter for heading up the Tech Team and

ensuring an awesome sound, Jasper James 7G for all his work on the presentation. Hewad and Nikayla for lighting up our stage. Kye Taylor 7F - Stage hand trainee, Frankie Taylor 8F – Stage Hand, Wilf Bawcombe 8F – Stage Hand, Isaac Peatfield 8G - stage Hand and Lighting cover and Lewis Roberts 8G for filming.

Finally thank you to the PTFA for organising front of house and refreshments. It was truly a community event and a fantastic musical end to the year!

> R. Gough (Head of Music) K. Eustace (Head of Expressive Arts)

#### GCSE & A-LEVEL ART AND A-LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION



IMAGES OF THE ART WORK AND PHOTOGRAPHY WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE END OF YEAR MAGAZINE - LOOK OUT FOR IT!

As mentioned in the

Summer Concert

June, Velocity, one of our school rock

bands performed

their first external

gig as part of the

article, on 13th

#### BARNET SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVALS



Barnet Music Festival at the ArtsDepot, North Finchley. It was an amazing opportunity for them to perform in a professional venue and showcase their talents to parents and students from other Barnet schools. They absolutely rocked it! There performance of Come and Get Your Love and Smells Like Teen Spirit was absolutely awesome. We are very proud of the way they represented our school. Edward Cunningham (Vocals), Trystan Hueber (Guitar), Louis Parnes (Keys), Nikayla McLeod-Lynch (Bass), Joshua Nicholson (Drums).

#### A TOUGH LEVEL OF COMPETITION

Ms Swaine had a very tough choice when judging the House Notice Board Competition! All ambassadors worked extremely hard, incorporating creativity and inclusion in their designs. On this occasion, due to the quality of each board, joint 1st and 2nd were awarded. Chama and Keller placed 1st, receiving 300 House Points each. Chama made good use of multi-media, and the personalised hand-prints showed unity. Keller's inclusion of quotes from the ambassadors gave a personal touch to their caricatures, as did the reference to braille and new rewards system. Murray and Tutu were awarded close 2nd receiving 200 House Points each. Murray used pictures from various House activities and included hand-drawn House Captain pictures. Tutu incorporated an eye-catching Sports Day border design, and up-to-date QR codes (that can be scanned after the end of the school day). All ambassadors worked extremely hard on their designs, and at a challenging time of their school year. We wish all the Year 12's all the best in their mock exams.

D, Bailey, Student Leadership Coordinator



# **STOP IDLING OUTSIDE SCHOOL!**



We are receiving weekly complaints about cars idling outside school and parking outside driveways in the morning and the afternoon. It is terrible for the environment. terrible for the students and terrible for the neighbours. Students should be walking to school where possible. lf you are driving your child to and from school. please turn off your engine and be considerate of the EBS community and our neighbours.

# EAST BARNET SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS

# BS LUNCH OF

**ICELAND SCHOOL TRIP 2024** 

All KS4 and KS5 students that will be studying Geography from September have been invited on the Iceland Trip. Deadline for signing up via the Microsoft Form (https://forms. office.com/e/9BFQ7RswVE) and paying the deposit on ParentPay has been extended until Monday 3rd July 2023. The program of the trip will perfectly complement your child's GCSE and A-Level geography studies on plate tectonics, glaciation/cold environments, coastal processes, fluvial systems, climate change, energy (geothermal power) and hazard management. We plan to visit places such as Kerid Volcanic crater, Hellisheidi power plant, the Gullfoss waterfalls, Strokkur (the most famous and active geysers in Iceland) and then onto Pingvellir National Park to see the Mid Atlantic Ridge (divergent plate boundary). We also plan to visit the Skogafoss waterfall and Seljalandsfoss waterfall to compare differing formations, the black volcanic beaches and natural hot springs of the secret lagoon. Whilst also having the opportunity to explore the most northern capital city in the world; Reykjavik, where we will be staying. You should have received a link to a Microsoft Form (link above) to sign up for the trip and pay the first deposit on Parent Pay by 3rd July. Please contact the Head of Geography: Ms F Williams (fwilliams@eastbarnetschool.com) for more information!



#### PRIDE MONTH



To celebrate Pride Month, we will be selling Rainbow Ribbons to support the charity 'Just Like Us' who run programmes within schools to educate about LGBTQ+ issues. You can purchase your ribbon via ParentPay and we will deliver the ribbons to form rooms twice a week. There will also be an opportunity to purchase the ribbons with £1 cash at breaktime outside the Sixth Form Study Area on Monday 26th June & Tuesday 27th June. Lots of tasty fillings

only E2.60

> Halal and vegan available

SANDWICH OR WRAP

& COOKIE

SPORTS DAY MEAL DEAL

Please top-up ParentPay accounts before Sports Day There will be other snacks and treats available on the day such as ice cream, so please top up - we are expecting hot weather. Free water will be available.

#### **KITCHEN PRICE INCREASE**

Due to the rocketing rate of inflation, as much as we have tried to keep our prices down, unfortunately, there is going to be a small increase to prices in the Kitchen. From September, the meal deal price will rise by 15p to £2.75. We are aware of the financial pressures everyone is under, and we can only apologise for have to make this increase.

#### **CHANGE OF TERM DATES**

We are amending our term dates slightly for the start of the academic year in September 2023. Please see below for the new dates.

| Tues 5th Sept 2023 | INSET Day        | Staff only     |
|--------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Wed 6th Sept 2023  | INSET Day        | Staff only     |
| Thu 7th Sept 2023  | Introduction Day | Yr 7 & 12 only |
| Fri 8th Sept 2023  | Staggered Start  | All Years      |
|                    |                  |                |

PTFA NOTICE

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



## EAST BARNET SCHOOL IMPORTANT NOTICES

**CAREERS BOARD** 



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

## **FIND OUT MORE**

We have been asked by BEAT Arts Trust to share the following: We would like to draw your attention to our Endangered Instruments Scheme commencing September 2023 at our music academies. BEAT recognises that a range of musical instruments are required to make up an orchestra but some instruments are deemed 'endangered'. This scheme has been set up to encourage young people to take-up these instruments and make access to them more equitable. The scheme is only open to new starters for the following instruments: Tuba/Euphonium, Double Bass, Viola, Bassoon, French Horn, Oboe. The scheme is as follows: You will receive a 100% discount for lessons during the first two terms. Hereafter, you will receive a 50% discount on individual 20 minute lessons for the duration of the scholarship, which lasts for 3 years, until 31st August 2026. Students will be required to attend one of our ensembles once they have reached the appropriate standard, usually half way through the second term. Membership to these bands will be free for the duration of the scholarship. Hire of an instrument for the duration of the scholarship will be free. If a student does not attend lessons and at least one music academy ensemble (when ready) every week the scholarship will be withdrawn and any instrument that was provided must be returned. If you would like your child to take-up this opportunity, please contact BEAT on 020 8959 4111.

# **TEACHERS' STRIKE!**

Teachers are due to go on strike on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July 2023. The current plan is that Year 10 and Year 12 will attend school, with other year groups working at home. We will be in touch if the plan needs to change. Thank you for your understanding.

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