

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW CO-HEADTEACHERS!

We hope this newsletter finds you in high spirits as we embrace the new half term. There have been several remarkable events and accomplishments that we are very excited to share with you all. On a personal note, it brings us great joy to extend our warmest congratulations to our Headteacher on the arrival of her baby boy. This is a special time in her life, and we extend our heartfelt well-wishes and support to Ms Swaine and her family. In her absence, we will be serving as Acting Co-Headteachers until her return. We will continue to lead by embracing our values of integrity, kindness and respect and are dedicated to ensuring all students meet their potential.

Before half term, we had the pleasure of experiencing the Piano Recital, a night that truly captured the phenomenal talent we have at our school. Our students' talent and commitment to the arts were on full display. Congratulations to the performers and the dedicated staff who made this wonderful event possible. As if that wasn't enough, on Thursday we celebrated the triumphant return of our Awards Evening; a tradition that had been absent from our calendar for a few years. This year's event was a testament to the dedication and hard work of our students. It was a night filled with accomplishments, showcasing the incredible talents and achievements of our students. We also extend our thanks to Joshua Chabala, a former student who delivered an inspiring speech for our young people.

As part of our recognition of Black History Month in October, our Sixth Formers led a Black History Walk around central London for Year 7 and 9 students. It was an enlightening and inspiring event, offering our students a deeper understanding of the rich history and significant contributions of the Black community to our world. These activities underscore the importance of diversity and education in our school community.

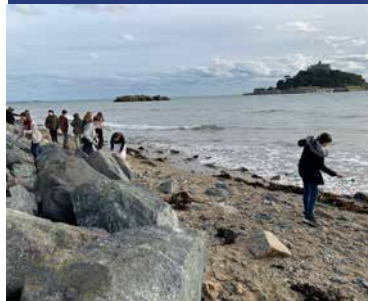
Lastly, we would like to commend our students for the exceptional start they have made to this term. Their enthusiasm, energy, and dedication to their studies are truly commendable. It's evident that they are determined to make the most of the opportunities our school offers.

L. Coffill & R. Lashley Allen, Co-Headteachers

THE RETURN OF THE EAST BARNET SCHOOL AWARDS EVENING 2023



KS4 & KS5 INSPIRATIONAL ART TRIP



Just before half term, the Art Department was pleased to offer KS4 and KS5 Art students the opportunity to experience a three-night, four-day residential trip to Cornwall. Cornwall's beautiful and rugged coastline, idyllic harbour towns and amazing natural light has attracted world class artists for centuries, and continues to serve as inspiration for countless artists and makers. Arguably England's creative corner, the region is home to a number of thriving arts schools and intriguing coastal galleries, from the majestic Tate St Ives to the picturesque Penlee House Gallery & Museum in Penzance. This trip gave 45 Art students the opportunity to experience the beautiful Cornish coastline settings and beaches for primary source sketching, photography and painting alongside the opportunity to visit Tate St. Ives; The Barbara Hepworth Museum and Gallery; The Newlyn Gallery and Exchange and Penlee House. The students created a selection of outstanding pieces of Artwork and sketchbook work which will be an invaluable addition to their coursework portfolios. So many gallery staff, members of the public and staff at the youth hostel where we stayed commented on the outstanding artwork and behaviour of our students; it was an absolute pleasure to run this trip!

M. Clemmett, Head of Art

NEW! THE LAUNCH OF THE EBS ECO-COUNCIL!



You will remember from the [EOY Magazine](#) that EBS is wholeheartedly committed to sustainability. At the end of the summer term, in a drive to implement more eco-initiatives in school, we released the exciting news that we were creating an Eco-Council. Well, here we are; your EBS Eco-Council!



Amile S 8C, Orlagh Q 8G, Lily V 8A, Lexi B 8C, William D 8H, Alfie M 8H, Blake C 8H, Jasper J 8G

The EBS Eco-Council are a group of students and staff that are committed to raising sustainability on the school agenda. The EBS Eco-Council will promote sustainability through running eco-projects that will reduce energy and water usage, promote walking to school, promote recycling/upcycling, encourage biodiversity and give students the knowledge they need to reduce their carbon footprint. Our Eco-Council project last half term involved a mind-mapping session to discuss our current impact. There were some fantastic ideas from students, including eco-assemblies, energy saving campaigns, pre-loved sales and ever-popular cake-sales to raise funds for our projects. The students voted on our new eco logo and are now proudly wearing the eco-council badges. Finally we created our noticeboard outside the Auditorium, managed by the students, which will keep the school up-to-date with eco-news, campaigns and events.

What's Next? This half term we will be bringing you news of our outdoor classroom and allotment project, where, in conjunction with [IKEA and Let's Go Zero](#), we will launch a great outdoor space for our students and staff to relax whilst learning about sustainability. If you are a parent/carers who would be interested in volunteering a few spare hours (on a short or long-term basis) to help us to maintain our allotment, we would really love to hear from you! Please contact amcdonnell@eastbarnetschool.com or call the school office and ask for Miss McDonnell.



Gardening Club
with Mr Drugan

BRING SPARE CLOTHES & TRAINERS

Thurs 3.30-4.30pm

EAST BARNET SCHOOL



This year, we are proud to have achieved our **Bronze Award for Racial Equity**, with FLAIR.

This award signifies our school's commitment to tracking its racial equity progress year-on-year, through FLAIR's Annual Racial Equity Questionnaire.

flairimpact.com

GET INVOLVED

EAST BARNET SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS

NOW SHOWING
EAST BARNET SCHOOL'S...

WEST END CABARET



- Tickets £15 (£10 concessions)
- Food will be served at this event!
- Fully licensed bar!

FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 7:30PM

Get your tickets from the EBS Shop!
WWW.EASTBARNETSCHOOL.COM

EBS WEST END CABARET

The EBS West End Cabaret is back! Following our completely wonderful first event back in 2019, we are delighted to be bringing the best of the West End back to EBS and showcasing the extraordinary talent we have here. Expect great entertainment, delicious food served to you at cabaret-style tables, a live bar in the room, and a joyful atmosphere. We are delighted to welcome back some legendary EBS Alumni to perform, and even Mr Messios will be coming out of retirement for one night only! There will be performances of songs from the likes of Dear Evan Hansen, Company, Cabaret, Tick Tick Boom, Waitress, Jesus Christ Superstar, Sweeney Todd, Dreamgirls, and much more! Tickets are strictly limited, so book early to avoid disappointment – it's going to be awesome!

K. Messios, Head of Drama

GREEN CAREERS WEEK: If reading the article about the new EBS Eco-Council has got you excited for the future, then why not consider a 'green' career?! The 6th - 11th November is Green Careers Week and you can find out all about it [here](#), or students can pick up details in the Career's Office in the Library. You can make the future more sustainable - don't miss this opportunity!

S. Direk, Careers

CAREERS: THE PARENT PERSPECTIVE PODCAST:

This podcast has some great advice about careers, and in honour of Green Careers Week, they will be talking about apprenticeships in Civil Engineering. Check out this and all the previous podcasts [here](#).

Tuesday 12 December 2023, 6:30pm EBS Winter Concert

Auditions: Monday 27 November after school
Collect an application form from the door of room 304
Tickets available from the school shop - £5/£3

EAST BARNET SCHOOL IMPORTANT NOTICES

BOOKOPOLY CHALLENGE FOR YEAR 7



The Library Team is excited to announce that we will run a Bookopoly reading challenge for our Year 7s from 6th November - 19th January with an assembly launch on the 6th November and advertising around the school. It's a win-win, encouraging the benefits of reading for pleasure, familiarising students with the library and the chance of prizes!

M. Gallagher & N. Snell, Library Team

MEET THE NEW EBS LIBRARIAN



Introducing our new Librarian: Mr M. Gallagher: I was raised and schooled in Whetstone and High Barnet but have lived and worked outside of the borough for many years, so starting at EBS feels a bit of a homecoming for me!

Before EBS, for almost two decades I was Library Manager at The William

Morris Sixth Form, Hammersmith, a brilliant diverse community of approximately 850 students and staff. I have also worked, supplying case and corporate information, to demanding lawyers and paraprofessionals at Barlow Lyde and Gilbert, with LLB and GDL students at the College for Law London, as Assistant Librarian at Graveney School Tooting and in various other roles in the public sector, including the RAF Museum Hendon. My educational path has included a master's Information Services Management from London Metropolitan University, a PG Cert in Digital Education from the University of Edinburgh and a BA in Theology from the University of Leeds.

Professionally, I'm most interested in developing students' information literacy and research skills (locating, interpreting, synthesising and reflecting on information use). I relish both one-to-one reference interviews, creating engaging online resources or developing and delivering class instruction. The ways that educationalists can develop young people's reading and wider literacy skills also fascinate me. As a dyslexic, who came relatively late to fluent reading, I was lucky to receive excellent remedial education at Barts London but am also so grateful to teachers and support staff who with patience, enthusiasm and great teaching helped me access the joy of the written word. Those educationalists have inspired my work with young people, and I'm thrilled to have the opportunity to work with students at EBS to achieve similar results.

Outside of work, I enjoy reading (surprise, surprise!), especially theology, history and tales of the supernatural. I'm not embarrassed to write that I also collect Britain's toy soldiers representing European armies and uniforms just before WWI.

Within 20 minutes of stepping through the doors of EBS for my interview, I realised that the schools' claims about being student-centred and committed to developing both students' academic skills and characters were sincere and I am very much looking forward to working with colleagues to contribute to our student's growth and success.

BOOKINGS FOR INSTRUMENT LESSONS



Love Music
Make Music

Voice Piano French Horn Cello Clarinet Double Bass Oboe

INSTRUMENTAL & VOCAL LESSONS



AGES
7 TO 21
YRS OLD!

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!

- Lessons available in schools
- Almost every instrument available
- All teachers DBS checked
- Individual or small group tuition
- All levels welcome from beginner to advanced
- Lessons after-school & on weekends at BEAT Music Academies

Trombone Tuba Bassoon Violin Guitar Flute Drums Saxophone

Looking to take up a new instrument in the spring of 2024? Well now is the time to register your interest! Instrument lessons take place at school and are organised by BEAT. Click [here](#) to learn more.

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. 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 by emailing Siobain Waters [here](#). To apply, please complete this [Parent Governor Candidate Form](#). Applications close at 9 am Monday, 20 November 2023.

BOOKINGS FOR INSTRUMENT LESSONS

Did you miss our first Bite-Size Lunchtime Careers Talk of 2023? Fear not! If you are interested in an NHS career, you can find the presentation from the talk on the EBS website, [here](#), (scroll down to Lunchtime Talks).



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