Dear staff, students and families,

# **Blue Ties Graduation Ceremony**

A lot of time and effort goes into raising funds for the FEBS pot, but what are the processes the committee follow when it comes to spending the money?

Well, the money raised by FEBS funds resources or experiences that enrich our students' education. Generally, the money raised should benefit all, or the majority of, the students at Ernest Bevin College.

However, this year FEBS has agreed to fund the Year 11 Graduation Ceremony, taking place on Friday 24th June 2022. This is to help Ms Thompson make this event a memorable experience for the Blue Ties. You may have seen us fundraising recently to pay for a photobooth for the event - we are pleased to have now raised the money needed for this.

## **Bevin Community Picnic**

As mentioned above, we have now raised the £300 needed for the photobooth. Any extra funds that we continue to raise will also go towards the Year 11 graduation.

To help support our Blue Tie graduates, we also organised a Bevin community picnic. We enjoyed coffee, cake, and a chat with parents and carers of EBC students, all whilst fundraising. This was a wonderful morning, helping us to move closer to this deserved goal.

Thank you to everyone who joined us and donated. We will update you on what we raised very soon!

### Mug a Colleague

National Random Acts of Kindness Day took place on Thursday 13th February 2022.

We are continuing to share the spirit of kindness by showing our appreciation to the wonderful staff within the EBC community.

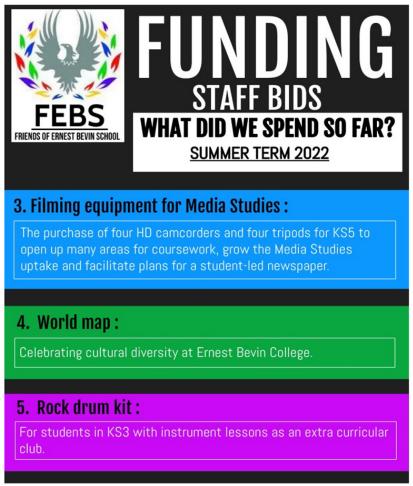
To help us, Sainsbury's very kindly donated hot drink sachets, tea bags and chocolate bars. These are given at random to a selected staff member to #MugAColleague to show appreciation and recognise them for doing a fabulous job.

So far Mr Heathcote, Mr Uddin and Miss McLean-Johnson have received their goodies. We can't wait to see who'll be chosen next.



#### **Donations**

With FEBS' funds being scarce after two years of cancelled events, we've been so lucky to receive match funding from our FEBS volunteer and Year 9 parent, Mrs Julia Freeman. The match funding contributions from her employer have helped to support our students with these amazing purchases from staff funding bids:



#### Laser cutter machine

You can help FEBS purchase the latest and greatest resources for our college at no cost to you.

You can support 'Friends of Ernest Bevin School' [FEBS] and help us raise FREE donations when you are shopping on Amazon via <a href="https://www.smile.amazon.co.uk">www.smile.amazon.co.uk</a>.

<u>Click here</u> to set up 'Friends of Ernest Bevin School' as your chosen charity. Amazon will donate 0.5% to FEBS on anything you spend. Support FEBS by starting your shopping at Smile.Amazon.co.uk and we can help raise donations to repair or replace our laser cutter machine.

Every time you shop at Amazon, please always start with <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.co.uk">smile.amazon.co.uk</a> or with AmazonSmile activated in the app. What will be in your shopping cart today?

We have received £25 from our fundraising appeal to replace or repair our laser cutter machine. Please click here if you would like to donate directly to the campaign.



# **The Benefact Group**

The Benefact Group is launching its £1m plus giving programme – the Movement for Good awards. This year there is a fantastic opportunity to nominate 'Friends of Ernest Bevin School' charity [800439] to win FEBS a £1,000 donation.

It's quick and easy to nominate. Just follow this link and enter a few details.

Once you have nominated Friends of Ernest Bevin School, our charity will be in the pot for all three draws. The draws are scheduled for June, September and December 2022. The first winners will be announced between 8th-21st June 2022.

The more nominations FEBS receive, the greater chances we have of winning. If we win, we would like to use this donation towards replacing or repairing our laser cutter machine. We are encouraging everyone to use their social media channels to ask people to vote for us, giving us the best possible chance of winning. Please spread the word.



## **EBC Uniform Drive**

Here at FEBS, we have been busy going through lost property and sorting out pre-loved Ernest Bevin College uniform ready to be re-sold. Clothes were sorted and items were donated to Oxfam in Tooting.

A FEBS parent took a bag of coats home to wash recently. We do this so that FEBS can sell uniform at lower prices, saving waste when students outgrow their clothes.

All the proceeds will go to FEBS and be used to support our college.

Uniform shop coming soon. Watch this space...



The last FEBS open meeting for the academic year will be on Thursday 16th June 2022 at 7-8pm via Zoom. A link to the meeting with the password will be sent via EdulinkOne nearer to the time.

### **Connect with us**

Be the first to receive our reminders, information about FEBs purchases, advertising our achievements and general information about our college and FEBS. We are hugely accessible on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u> with regularly updated content, so help us grow our online Bevin community by clicking on one of our social media platforms and hitting the 'follow' button.

If you like any of our content do not be shy about hitting the 'like' button. We appreciate your support.







Finally, FEBS may only be a handful of volunteers, but we are also available via email: <a href="febssw17@">febssw17@</a> gmail.com.

From all of us here at FEBS, we wish you a pleasant and restful half term. We hope that you enjoy the Jubilee celebrations in your community.

Thank you for your ongoing support! FEBS Committee











