

16 MAY 2025

Principal's Update



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Dear Parents and Carers, here's what has happened at EBA this week,

CCF Field Training Exercise at Longmoor

The Ernest Bevin Academy Combined Cadet Force recently took part in a tactical field training exercise at Longmoor.

This hands-on experience is part of their preparation for the upcoming summer camp, helping cadets sharpen their skills and build confidence, resilience, and teamwork.

The debate team

A group of our students recently took part in a series of engaging and thought-provoking debates, demonstrating impressive critical thinking and public speaking skills—even when tasked with arguing the more challenging side of the motion.

The debate topics included:

- “Misogyny is over-exaggerated in schools” (against Burntwood School) – a particularly tough debate.
- “Vapes should be banned”
- “Internet access should be a human right”

In addition to debating, students had the opportunity to act as judges, evaluating the arguments and delivery of their peers. They also heard from a range of inspiring guest speakers, including a recent law graduate and a professional from the creative industries.

It was a fantastic day of learning, confidence-building, and exposure to real-world perspectives. Well done to all who took part!

Farewell

We extend our warmest congratulations to Ms. Heyes as she takes the next step in her professional journey within UL, following a well-earned promotion. Her commitment, enthusiasm, and contributions to our school community have been truly appreciated and will be greatly missed. She will be leaving next Friday.

We wish her every success in her new role and look forward to hearing about the great things she will continue to achieve. Congratulations, Ms. Heyes!

E-scooters & E-bikes

It has been brought to our attention that some students are using e-scooters and e-bikes to travel to and from school. Please note the following:

- **Privately owned e-scooters are illegal** to use on public roads and in public spaces in London.
- Only **rental e-scooters** are legal, and riders must be **18 or over** and hold at least a **provisional driving license**.



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- **E-scooters are not permitted on school premises** under any circumstances.

Regarding e-bikes:

- Students aged **14 and over** may legally ride an **EAPC (Electrically Assisted Pedal Cycle)**, provided it meets legal specifications.
- Students riding an e-bike should wear a suitable cycling helmet, as should all students cycling to school.

We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our school community safe and compliant with the law.

Kind regards

Ms Dohel

Key Dates 2025	Friday 23rd May Last day of term	Week beginning 2nd June Year 7, 8 and 9 end of year exams	Week beginning 9th June Year 12 exams	Week beginning 16th June Year 10 exams	Thursday 26th June Year 11 graduation	Friday 4th July Year 13 graduation
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