



Autumn Term | Thursday 30th November 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a bustling month at Ernest Bevin Academy, filled with significant events and achievements.

Upon our return from the half-term break, our Purple Tie undertook mock examinations. As we await the results, we hope that all our boys have found success and we believe this experience will be beneficial for their summer exams next year.

Anti-Bullying Week provided a platform for us to reinforce the importance of kindness, empathy and inclusivity. Our students participated in activities that promoted a culture of respect and understanding, fostering an environment where everyone feels valued and supported. We want to extend our appreciation to you, as parents, for your continued support in instilling these values at home. Your partnership is instrumental in creating a school community that reflects the principles of compassion and respect for each other.

Remembrance Day served as a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by those who have served our country. Through various activities, including assemblies, discussions, and moments of silent reflection, our students had the opportunity to learn about the significance of this day and express their gratitude for the brave men and women who have contributed to the cause of peace. This culminated in a special event that our Year 8s were invited to—a War Poetry Reading. We had fantastic feedback from our hosts, who commented on how engaged all of our students were. Well done Blue Ties.

The Year 7 showcase highlighted the exceptional work our new Yellow Ties students have accomplished in the first seven weeks of secondary school.

The reading for pleasure programme is going well. All of your sons are reading with staff during form time three mornings a week. See the article in the newsletter explaining why this is so important.

With best wishes,
Ms Dohel,
Principal

Principal's Breakfast This Month



Theme: Determination



Theme: Showing Creativity

Key Dates

- Thursday 7th December: Year 11 Parents' Evening / Sixth Form Open Evening**
- Friday 8th December: INSET Day – School closed to ALL students**
- Wednesday 13th – Friday 15th December: Year 11 Taster Days**
- Wednesday 13th December: Year 12 and 13 mock examinations begin**
- Thursday 14th December: Winter Show**
- Thursday 14th December: Jolly Jumper Day and Student Christmas Lunch**
- Tuesday 19th December: CCF Passing Out Parade and Poetry Book Launch**
- Thursday 21st December: Last day of term (Early finish for students)**

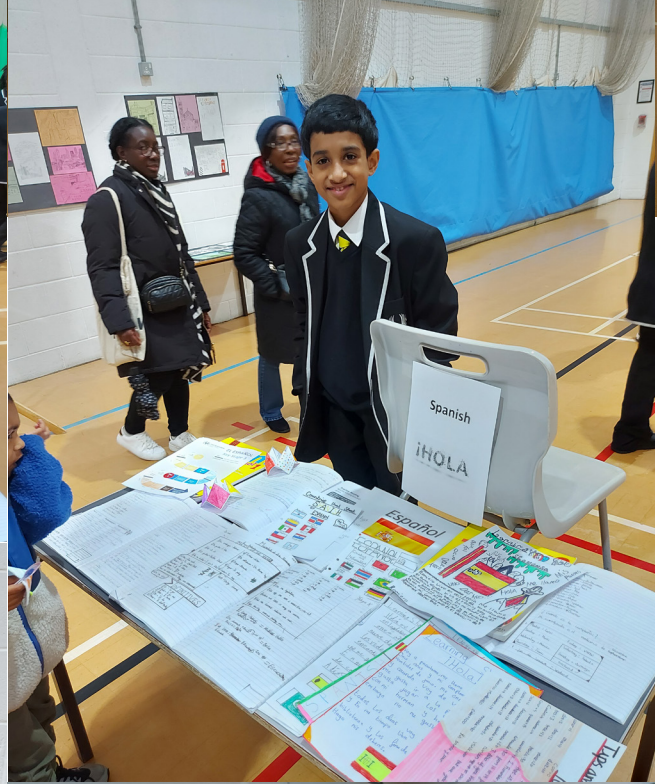
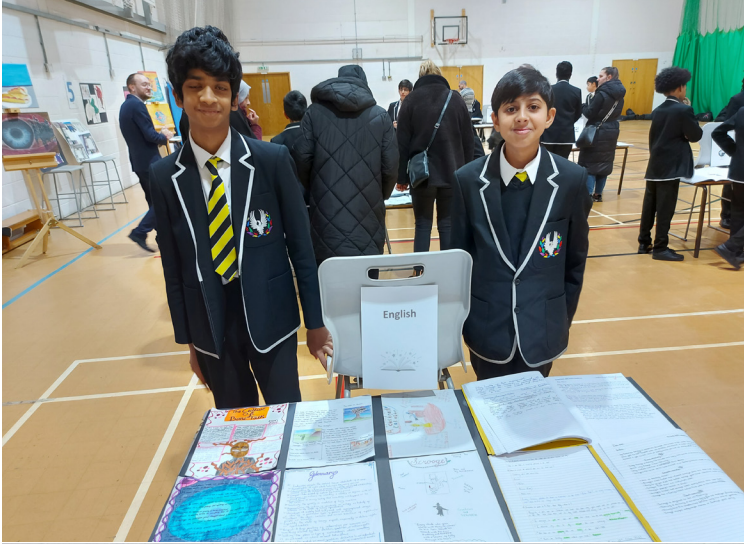
School News

Year 7 Learning Showcase

Proud of our Yellow Ties

The Year 7 Showcase is an important event in the Year 7 calendar. Parents and carers were invited to come and see the progress their boys have made in their first term at Ernest Bevin Academy. The boys were enthusiastic and impressed everyone with their newly gained knowledge.





Student Stars



Congratulations

Best Uniform

We expect all our students to be dressed smartly.
We would like to celebrate the following who have received best uniform awards this month.

100% Attendance

We expect 100% attendance for all our students to help them attain their best results at school.
We would like to celebrate the following who have received 100% attendance awards this month.



Levon Year 7



Mekaiah Year 11



Sudarnan Year 9



Pasha Year 10



This Month Max, Year 11 competed in BIKC - British Indoor Karting championships. His 3rd place at the Regional Championships in late October guaranteed him a spot at the National Final in November.

"Max finished 14th overall on the day out of 32 that raced, and out several hundred overall who started out in the competition back in September. 14th is a number he can be proud."

Max made the main final on the day which was a great achievement, but ran out of luck in the final when he got himself up from 12th to 8th position in one lap only for the race to be restarted due to an incident. When the race did get restarted he got spun out by another driver hitting the rear of his kart sending him to the back. He never gave up though and fought (from a very long way back) to overtake a couple of drivers and come home in 14th.

He has established himself as one of London's top junior indoor drivers, and is the best in South London. He's already looking forward to the Schools championship in early 2024 and his last go at the BIKC Junior event later in the year."

We are so impressed and congratulate Max.

School Fundraising



This December we will be collecting food donations for Earlsfield Food bank & Tooting Community Kitchen. Please donate generously if you are able to.



Winning Year Group will get a Mufti Day and a Sports Afternoon

Items we are collecting : tin foods (no meats), tin fish, pasta, pasta sauces, rice, biscuits, oil, crisps and toiletries

Anti-Bully Week Fundraising



Some of our students during the pre-production stage filming their Anti-Bullying Video (with Mr Heathcote)



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WE RAISED £123.90

Odd Socks Day



THANK YOU

Staff Fundraising



Thousands of young people across the UK are at risk of, or are experiencing, homelessness each year. In fact, each day, one young person becomes homeless every four minutes.

Please support Vice Principal Ms Patel as she takes part in the challenge of the London Sleep Out, swapping her bed for a sleeping bag to support Centrepoin in their mission of ending youth homelessness by 2037!

Please help her to reach her target of £350 and together we can end youth homelessness, for good.

Please donate at: bit.ly/46AWjpP

Sixth Form Update

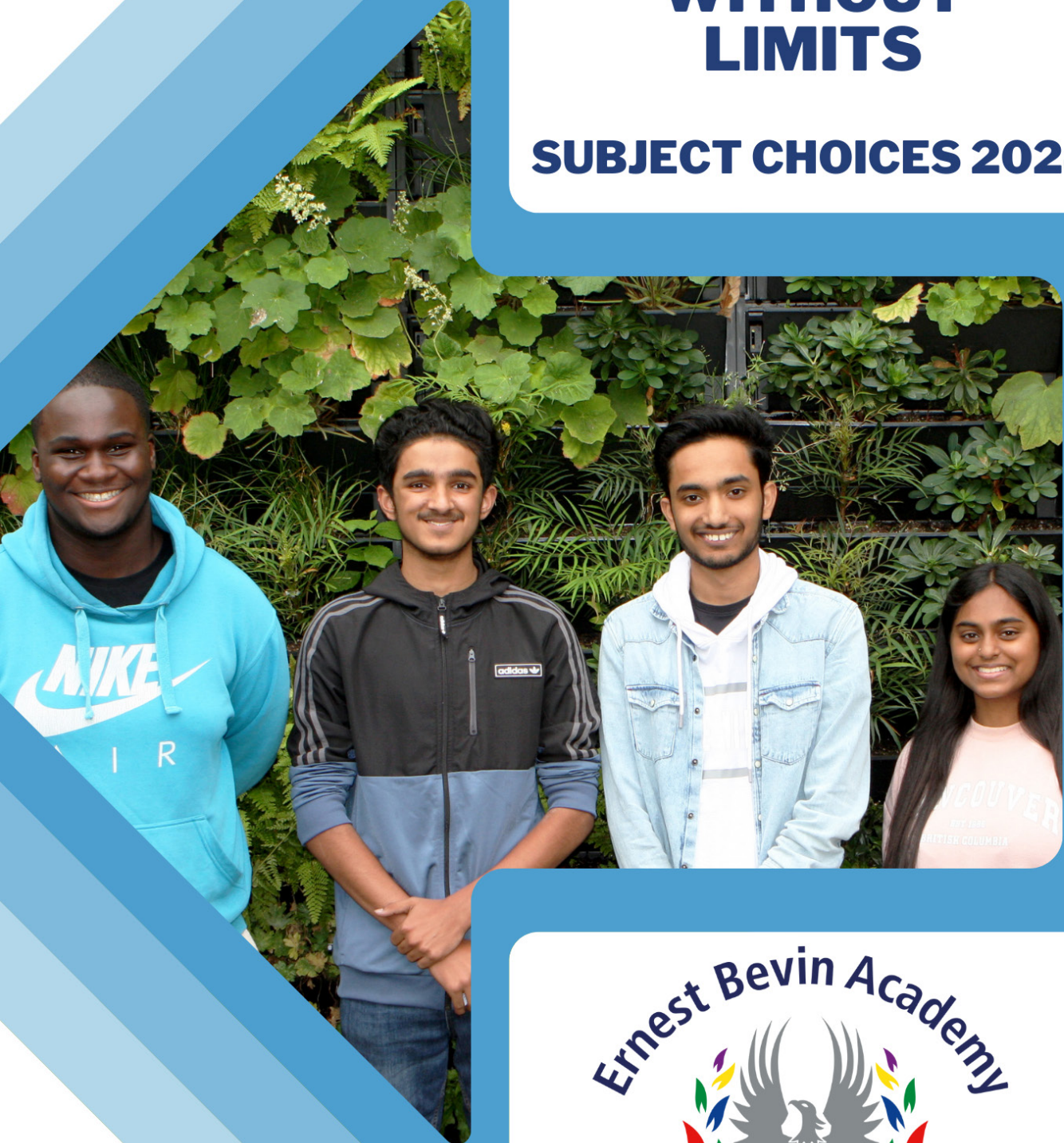
The Year 13 students had a PSHE session on Tuesday 7th November organised by Mr Scrimshaw with the S.A.M.E Academy and presented by actor Louis Jay Jordan. The aim of the session was to get them to consider the dangers of road safety from the position of a young driver or someone who is a passenger in a car with a young driver. The S.A.M.E Academy work around road safety was both compelling and captivating and Louis delivered an excellent session. Student feedback was very positive and students engaged proactively making the session a huge success.



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Trips

National Maritime Museum

This November some of our Green Ties visited the National Maritime Museum in Greenwich.



"As a whole, the trip was very inspiring, as I learned the history and backstory of different places and people. It linked to a lot of past geography and history lessons, such as examining India and exploring the Elizabethan era. The whole experience was very enjoyable, and I would go again." **Tiras**

"This trip was full of fascinating, historical education. We learned many things, including Tudor times, the Battle of Trafalgar, and global trade. We visited numerous exhibits and galleries with old paintings, ships, and artifacts. I also learned about how Britain's naval history influenced national and global trade and culture." **Mohammed**

"In my opinion, I had a fun time learning about the history of Britain and other countries. As I ventured through the depths of history, I came across many fascinating artifacts. I learned about the cultural success of the East India Company, the topography of the icy Arctic, the Elizabethan era, and lastly, the horrific yet

saddening Battle of Trafalgar. Overall, I would love to come back and rediscover the mysteries buried in history and am very grateful for such a wonderful opportunity." **Harris**

"Overall, this trip was extremely exciting, ranging from the adventures of the Battle of Trafalgar to the history of trade. It was very exhilarating and awe-inspiring. We learned about the iniquitous Transatlantic Slave Trade to the challengingly cold polar regions. The visit to the Maritime Museum was enjoyable. The exhibit that struck me and resonated with me the most had to be the trade exhibit with its wonderful aromas and spices from all over the world."

Remembrance Poetry Reading

"On Monday 13th November our Blue Ties, CCF students, members of staff, some parents and local community members attended a War Poetry Reading Remembrance Event at St Mary Magdalen Church, Wandsworth Common. Sixty three pieces of creative letter writing and poetry were displayed on the Church wall for all to read and enjoy. Students read a number of poems aloud, ranging from World War 1 to the present day. After the poetry reading, students walked around the Church and spoke to a number of the Church community who had WW1 memorabilia available to look at and discuss. The students were a credit to the school and I was extremely proud of the respect and maturity they displayed on the trip." - Ms Lewis



Careers

Warwick University Trip

Some of our Green Ties were given the opportunity to visit Warwick University this month through the Naz Legacy Foundation. A huge thank you to Ms Patel (Vice Principal) for organising this trip and accompanying our students.

"After walking from the school, we travelled from Tooting Bec to Euston Station. We then took the overground train to Coventry. Upon arriving in Coventry, we took a coach to the university.

I found what the student ambassador said to be very fascinating. He taught us a lot about how the university runs and life on campus, as well as the application and admission systems. It really gave me insight into what it's like to go to university and made me think about my plans for the future."



St. George's Hospital: Science



Some of our Purple Ties, were invited to a Science Stars event at St. George's Hospital. The 'Science Stars' raising attainment programme aims to boost Year 11 pupils' GCSE grades. Pupils who require extra support to move from Grade 4 to Grade 5/6 in their Double Science GCSE are specifically targeted for this programme. This was a wonderful opportunity for them to explore potential career paths, gain valuable insights, and connect with professionals in the scientific community. We are proud of their achievements and eager to see the positive impact this experience will have on their future endeavors.

Department of Business and Trade

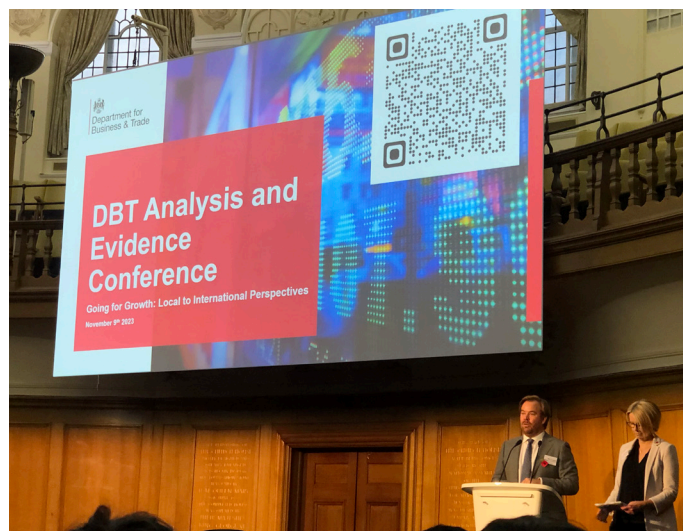
This month some Year 12 Economics students were invited to The Department for Business and Trade first Evidence and Analysis conference at Westminster Church House.

"Attending the Cross Government analytical conference which referred to economic strategies and global trends has provided me with nuanced understanding of applying micro and macro theories to the real world.

Overall, this was an eye-opening experience which exceeded all expectations, I would highly recommend this for anyone considering working in finance due to it highlighting the different sectors which does not have the glory light as much as the typical "private firms."

In addition, the most significant skill that I can acknowledge from the day is understanding professionalism which indulges in several areas of expertise such as analytical skill and critical thinking; as a result, this has allowed me to strive to having the demeanour for a professional environment. Most importantly, attending the

conference proved to be exceptionally valuable for several reasons; the quality of presentations and discussion being unreal as it was carried out by extremely educated individuals who are at the top of their field. Furthermore, the event was carried out in an organised structure allowing me to have a more in depth understanding of the concepts." - Zubair



Engineering Quiz Winners

Our Year 11 engineering students recently had the valuable opportunity to participate in a careers event organized by Kings College London and the 'Success for Black Engineers Programme.' This event aimed to introduce students to a diverse range of engineering careers, providing insights into the various paths they can pursue within the field.

As part of the event, students engaged in a quiz that not only tested their knowledge but also served as an interactive and engaging way to explore different aspects of engineering. The competitive spirit was heightened by the promise of rewards, and the winners were rewarded with a £25 Amazon gift voucher courtesy of Kings College London.



Well done Wojciech, Omar and Kobi

Sports Round-up

Football Focus



Well done boys!

Top Row: Anthony, Elijah, Kerim, Kaamaari, Micheal, Ibrahim, Zak, Adulrahman, Malik
Bottom Row: Franky, Jailen, Ali, Freddy, Rory.

This month we secured a remarkable 7-1 victory in a friendly against St John Bosco. The team displayed a mix of Red, Blue, and Yellow Ties, showcasing unity and diversity in our year groups. Their friendly character and resilience on the field were commendable.

Looking ahead, our next game is with Year 9 at Boilingbroke. We are excited about the upcoming match and anticipate another spirited performance from our team.

National Cadet League 2023-24

Well Done Abdaal, Anthony, Bryan , Franky and Mohammad



On Sunday, 5th November, students from Year 8 and Year 9 represented Ernest Bevin Academy in the National Cadet League tournament at Fusion Table Tennis Club in South East London. Although this was their first time together as a new team, they competed in division 2 and faced much more experienced players from the hosting team Fusion B.

Unfortunately, they lost 2-7, but they put up a strong fight, managing to defeat the other hosting team, Fusion C, with a

score of 7-2, and the Cumberland Team with a score of 6-3. We are hopeful that they will perform even better in the next round scheduled for 10th December.

Table Tennis England Team Schools Championships

On Thursday, 10th November, Year 8s represented Ernest Bevin Academy in the Table Tennis England - Schools Team Championships, Central London Schools tournament at North Paddington Youth Centre, London.

Our team competed in the Boys Under 13 category and demonstrated exceptional performance, securing victories against St Mary's School with a score of 5-2 and UCS with a score of 5-2, progressing to the Greater London qualifications round. This is a fantastic achievement! Well done to all.



Well Done Bryan, Franky, Freddy and Mohammad.

Eco Council

The Eco Team has been diligently working this month, collecting recyclable paper waste every Friday. I recently had an inspiring meeting with them, during which we discussed incredible ideas for plastic recycling, including the innovative concept of constructing a plastic igloo!



Our discussions delved into various creative approaches to address plastic waste, fostering an environment of sustainability within our community. The team's enthusiasm and commitment to recycling initiatives have been truly commendable. We are not only focused on paper recycling but also exploring ways to reduce our plastic footprint.

I am excited about the prospect of implementing these ideas and making a tangible impact on our environment. The commitment and passion of the Eco Team are instrumental in driving positive change, and I look forward to seeing our eco-friendly initiatives come to fruition. Together, we can contribute to a more sustainable and environmentally conscious future.



Curriculum Focus

Reading for Pleasure

Reading for pleasure is a gateway to a world of imagination and knowledge. It transcends the confines of routine, offering an escape into different realms, fostering empathy, and providing a source of joy and relaxation. Embracing the habit of reading for pleasure not only enhances one's language skills but also nurtures a lifelong love for learning and discovery.

Building Strong Foundations

Reading is the vehicle through which students acquire knowledge, develop critical thinking skills, and enhance their vocabulary; reading for pleasure in schools not only introduces students to the joy of books but also helps them establish a strong foundation in language and comprehension skills, inadvertently improving their reading proficiency essential for success in all subjects.

Encouraging Lifelong Learning

Fostering a love for reading in schools extends far beyond the classroom; when students develop a habit of reading for pleasure, they are more likely to become lifelong learners, understanding that knowledge is not confined to textbooks but can be found in books that serve as windows to different worlds and perspectives, ultimately having a profound impact on their future academic pursuits and personal development.

Enhancing Empathy and Cultural Awareness

Reading for pleasure can expose students to diverse characters, cultures, and experiences. By immersing themselves in the stories of others, students can develop empathy and an understanding of the world beyond their immediate surroundings. This can then foster a sense of global citizenship and help students appreciate the richness of human diversity.

Boosting Creativity and Imagination

In the digital age, where screens dominate our lives, reading provides a unique opportunity for students to unleash their creativity and imagination. Unlike passive forms of entertainment, reading requires active engagement. When students read, they paint mental pictures, envision worlds, and create characters in their minds. This imaginative exercise is essential for developing creative thinking skills, which are invaluable in problem-solving and innovation.

Strengthening Emotional Resilience

Books often explore complex emotions, challenging situations, and moral problems. Reading about characters facing adversity and triumphing over challenges can help students develop emotional resilience. This teaches them that setbacks are a part of life and that they can overcome them. This emotional growth is vital for a student's overall well-being.

Improved Academic Performance

Studies have consistently shown that students who read for pleasure tend to perform better in school. Their enhanced reading skills translate into improved performance in various subjects, including mathematics and science. Reading for pleasure expands a student's knowledge base and vocabulary.

Building a Strong Community of Readers

Incorporating reading for pleasure into the school culture can also foster a sense of community. Book clubs, reading challenges, and shared reading experiences bring students, teachers, and parents together around a common interest. This sense of belonging and shared enthusiasm for reading can create a positive and supportive learning environment.



Student Support

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Memory
Mood
Attention
Decision Making
Alertness

6 SESSIONS TO REDUCE TEST ANXIETY

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SESSION 1

HELP STUDENTS TO IDENTIFY SIGNS AND TRIGGERS THAT LEAD TO TEST ANXIETY.

SESSION 2

GIVE STUDENTS METHODS TO REPLACE NEGATIVE SELF-TALK WITH POSITIVE SELF-TALK.

SESSION 3

OFFER STUDENTS RELAXATION TECHNIQUES, SUCH AS TAKING A FEW DEEP BREATHS, WHICH THEY CAN USE BEFORE AN EXAM TO CALM THEIR NERVES.

SESSION 4

TEACH STUDENTS EFFECTIVE STUDY AND TEST TAKING SKILLS.

SESSION 5

ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO SET THEMSELVES CHALLENGING, YET REALISTIC GOALS.

SESSION 6

OFFER STUDENTS THE CHANCE TO REFLECT ON WHAT WENT WELL AND WHAT COULD BE IMPROVED UPON.

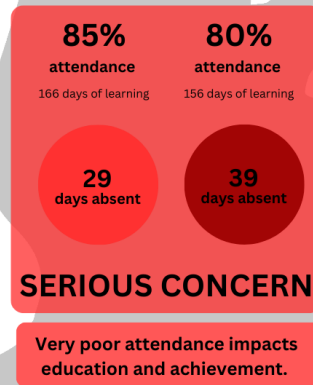
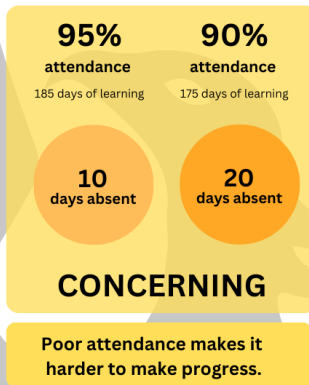
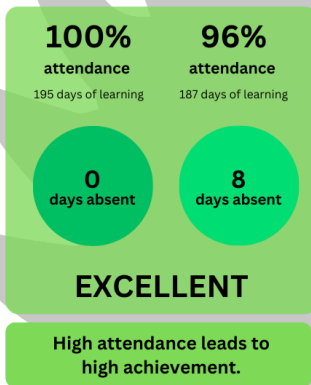
Parent Notices



Parking Notice - Polite Reminder

We kindly request that you refrain from parking on the single yellow lines outside the school premises. We've received complaints from local residents about this issue and it is causing significant concerns. Not only does it inconvenience our neighbours, but it also poses a safety hazard by blocking emergency exits and impeding access to car parks. Your cooperation in adhering to parking regulations outside the school is greatly appreciated and will contribute to a safer and more considerate environment for everyone.

What is Good Attendance?



PLEASE DONATE YOUR PRE-USED GOOD QUALITY UNIFORM

UNIFORM DRIVE



Pre-loved Uniform Wanted

We are keen to help families and the environment by finding homes for outgrown uniform.

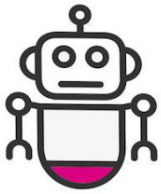
Please donate any good quality clean outgrown uniform via the collection drum in reception or ask your son to bring the uniform items into the main office.

Everything from ties to PE tops are welcome! We are particularly keen for donations of larger trousers.

Community Notices

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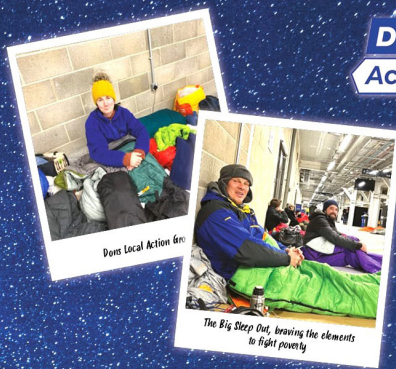


9 December 2023
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After the massive successes of our two previous sleep outs, we are excited to invite you to join us this year for an even bigger and better event... Whether you are @donslocalaction volunteer; an @afcwimbledon fan; a local sports club or a local resident #Merton #Wandsworth #Kingston or any other area, you are invited to join the Big Sleep Out and get sponsored to sleep at the AFC Wimbledon stadium. There is a fundraising target of £250 for each participant, though this is a target and not a requirement. We are requesting participants to purchase a ticket to participate, at £20 per head (including breakfast) to cover the costs of running the event.

Are you up to it and want to challenge yourself? Register via donslocalaction.org

Agenda:

Arrivals 7-11pm - gates will be closed after this time.

The sleeping area will be opened at 10pm .

The stadium food stalls will be serving food until 8.00pm.

Our stadium pub, By The Horns @ Plough Lane, will be serving drinks until 11pm.

Hot drinks will be available throughout the night if you need one.

Breakfast, tea and coffee will be available from 6am the following morning.

If you wish to donate to the sleeping without doing it - there is an easy way! Please find a link below to donate

<https://donslocalaction.enthuse.com/pf/815ab/BIG-SLEEPOUT#!/>



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