



The Newsletter of Ernest Bevin College

Friday 23rd September 2022

Following on from my start of term letter, I can honestly say that it was lovely to return to the college after a fantastic summer with our own record breaking results on the back of having been able to share the news with you all - just before the summer break - that we had been judged 'Good' in our



recent Ofsted inspection. We should all be very proud of the part we are playing in the upward trajectory for the college. We will be opening our doors next week for our Open Evening and Open Morning and we would appreciate everyone playing a part to help our growth by spreading the word about EBC's successes and inviting anyone who might have an interest in our college to come along and see for themselves.

This edition of the newsletter will showcase some of the wonderful activities from our summer school at the end of July as well as the induction events we held for Year 7 and 8. We received amazing feedback; the transition we have been able to implement this year for our newer students has been incredibly rewarding and I know we can build upon this to ensure students feel at home in college and ready to achieve their best.

We have changed the format of Principal's Breakfast and I will be meeting with a group of students (one from each Year group), selected by their Head of Year, each week. We will be working on different themes each week and students will be selected according to the theme. I will be able to share further details about this in the coming weeks.

I very much enjoyed meeting many of you at the Information Evenings this week and hope they proved to be useful; we look forward to the rescheduled evening on Monday for Year 10 and Year 11. Please come along if you can.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Ms Dohel Principal

GCSE and A Level Results

We are delighted to share that our Year 11 GCSE cohort achieved the best ever results recorded at Ernest Bevin College. The college has a history of achieving results higher than the national attainment level for boys, and this year we have achieved higher than the national average for all students (2019), making the result even more fantastic.

88% of students received a Level 4 or above in English, with 82% receiving a Level 4 or above in Mathematics. 100% of single science students also achieved a Level 4 or above in Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

Further GCSE success saw a 100% Level 4 and above pass rate in both Engineering and Religious Education, 96% in Computing and 79% in Geography.

This year's A Level results also saw some fantastic achievements from students, with many now going on to seek exciting opportunities at a range of universities.

Key highlights including 100% of students passing Engineering, with 98% earning the highest grades, and 98% of BTEC students receiving between Distinction* and Pass in their subjects.

Students have now started study at universities across the country, taking up a variety of courses including: Medicine at Cambridge; Aerospace Engineering at Nottingham; Biomedical Science at Brunel; Computer Science at UCL; Business Management & Digital Marketing at Manchester; and Architecture at Kingston.

Congratulations to all. We are very proud of all that our students have achieved following the challenges over the last two years. Thank you as well to all staff for your hard work in teaching and supporting through this unique time.



Summer Activities Update

Summer School

CCF Summer Camp

In the first week of the Summer Holidays the new Blue Ties and Red Ties came into school for a fun-filled week at Summer School.

Students took part in a range of activities on the first day, including a drama workshop, table tennis and a high-intensity interval training (HIIT) session. They also learnt how to make their own packed lunch and how to tie a tie - ready for the start of school in September.

The second day tested the students' collaborative skills as they spent the day taking part in team building exercises. There were over 30 challenges placed around the playground for students to complete. Teams were assessed on the different skills they used to work together, such as problem-solving and communication. At the end of the day it was announced that the winning team was 'Team Chicken Nuggets!'

The third day of Summer School was a Crime Scene Investigation Day. Students were put into groups and taught a range of different methods that forensic teams use to solve crimes: gathering fingerprint evidence; looking at hair and fibers; and the use of UV light and its importance when it comes to searching for evidence at a crime scene. The boys then had the opportunity to demonstrate these skills. In the afternoon, they dressed up in white bodysuits with gloves, a face mask and shoe masks and had to solve a crime using a report and pieces of evidence.

Last but not least was Robotics Day. Students spent the day learning, creating and testing codes for their robots before competing in a race. It was a very exciting day for the boys!

Overall, both the staff and students had a tiring yet fun week where new friendships and great memories were made!

15 of the college's Royal Marines Cadets attended a one week summer camp at the end of the summer term. Activities included camping on Dartmoor, using small boats and taking part in military training exercises. Cadets also took part in climbing, abseiling and building survival shelters.

The camp consisted of 30 cadets from schools all over the UK. It was a great opportunity to meet and work with cadets from diverse backgrounds.

It was a very enjoyable week and senior cadet Mehmood, who is now in Year 12, won the 'Best Cadet of the Camp' prize - voted for by all 30 participants.

The cadets train every Tuesday after college and one weekend per month. Students from Years 8 and 9 who want to join the cadets will have an opportunity to do so from April 2023.





Congratulations to Sonny, a recent Year 11 Blue Tie graduate, for winning two Gold medals in 400m and 800m freestyle at the National Swimming Championships in August!

This is a fantastic achievement - a huge congratulations to Sonny.



New Students and Staff Welcome

Greetings Blue Tie Parents,

I have been so impressed with the start from our Blue Ties to their time at EBC. Having completed induction week, students are now getting used to full weeks of lessons.

Our foci for these first few weeks are organisation and building friendship by being sensitive and tolerant of new

people. Please reiterate this message to your children at home.

The timetable for extra-curricular clubs will be available known this week and I would like every student to be a part of at least one club.

If you need to contact me at any point, please email me or telephone the college and ask for me.

Kind regards, Mr C Wiseman



Two Year 7 students have written letters discussing how they have found their first weeks at Ernest Bevin College:

'My life at Ernest Bevin so far has been great. The teachers are amazing and they are super kind. The other students have been really helpful.

Our Head of Year, Mr Wiseman, is really fun and a joy belonged her to be around. My favourite subject is PE and I was looked outsta quite excited when I found out our Head of Year was a Ernest Bevin. PE teacher.

On my first week I really enjoyed the Achievement assembly because there were lots of games and prizes. I also enjoyed Buddies afternoon because we got to know the Year 8s better and had fun doing it.'

- Freddy 7KEB

'My first week at EBC felt like I already started all the lessons. The teachers were really generous.

The induction week really made me feel like I belonged here. Everyone was caring and the place looked outstanding and overall I'm happy I came to Frnest Bevin.

So far my time here has been amazing and I hope coming here will make my success the same too.'

- Kerrel 7HL

Our Open Events for Next Year's Year 7 Cohort are Coming Up!

Open Evening: Wednesday 28 September, 5:30 - 7:30pm Open Morning: Friday 30 September, 9:00 - 11:00am Open Morning: Friday 7 October, 9:00 - 11:00am

Please share the message with fellow parents with sons in school years 5 and 6.



Four Blue Tie students and the Primary Schools they attended

Year 12 Welcome from the Sixth Form team:

It is a privilege to welcome a new cohort to the Sixth Form and as a team we are extremely excited that the new Year 12 group are joining us with such fabulous GCSE results.

These first few weeks have been extremely enjoyable getting to know many of you and helping you with the transition. You have settled in well; what has impressed us the most is the good humour, manners and patience that you possess.

We are looking forward to the next two years with you. Enjoy yourselves but don't forget to work hard! And remember: we are here to support you. Please talk to one of us if there is ever anything we can help you with.

- Mr Scrimshaw, Ms Iweha, Ms Olasebikan, Ms Carr, Ms Young, Mr Evarrete

We would like to extend a warm welcome to new members of staff who also joined us this September:

Ms Bulteel, Teacher of History
Mr Griffiths, Teacher of History
Ms Ahmad, Teacher of Mathematics
Mr King, Teacher of Science
Mr Bello, Teacher of Music
Ms Khan, Deputy Head of Mathematics
Miss Crabbe, Pastoral Support Mentor
Mr Springer, Learning Support Assistant
Miss Lawn, Learning Support Assistant
Mrs Prasciolu, Learning Support Assistant
Mrs Hill, Learning Support Assistant
Miss Ali, Learning Support Assistant
Mr Ga'Al, IT/Media/Reprographics Technician

We also welcome Mr Patel and Mr El-Suleiman back to EBC as Teachers of Computer Science. They will be supporting the Computer Science department whilst we await the arrival of Mr Farah, also a Teacher of Computer Science who will join in October and Mrs Ghinlan, Lead Teacher of Computer Science who will join in January.

Key Dates and Reminders:

Monday 26 September
Year 10 and Year 11 Information Evening

Wednesday 28 September
Open Evening

Friday 30 September

Open Morning (please register here)
Oxbridge and Medicine application deadlines

Friday 7 October

Open Morning (please register here)

Tuesday 11 October Student Council Meeting

> Friday 14 October FEBS Quiz Night

Monday 24 - Friday 28 October
Half term

Reminders:

Wednesday 28 September School finishes at 1:20pm

Thursday 29 September
Late start for students - to be in school by 10:00am



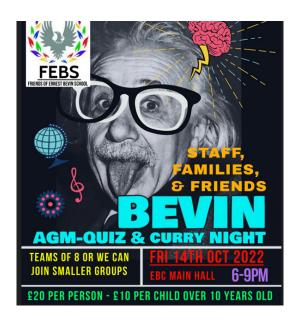
Dear staff, students and families,

Welcome back to all our year groups. We hope you enjoyed your summer break and are looking forward to a brilliant new term. We also hope our new Year 7s and Year 12s are settling in well and ready for all that Ernest Bevin College has to offer.

In August FEBS received our latest charity contribution from Amazon Smile of £38.71. Thank you to everyone who is using Amazon Smile when they shop and supporting our fund raising efforts. If you are not already, help us make a difference, at no additional cost to you when you shop at Amazon Smile.

This month we welcome staff members Mr Blakemore (Associate Principal) and Mrs Mayhew (School Business Manager) as our FEBS college liaison contacts. Both have a wealth of experience working with PTAs and we are delighted to be working with them for the benefit of our Bevin community.

To kickstart this Autumn term 2022 we are bringing the entire Bevin community together with a fundraising social event. Don't miss it! Get our new college year off to a great start and help raise much needed funds for the college at our FEBS Bevin Quiz and Curry night on Friday 14th October. Please look out for Edulink One to purchase your tickets.



FEBS Annual General Meeting

We are following the charity commission and FEBS constitution guidelines and give notice of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Friends of Ernest Bevin School (FEBS), to be held on Friday 14th October 2022. The evening will start at 6:00pm (in the Main Hall) with the FEBS Bevin Quiz and Curry Night followed by a short break in the evening to accommodate our Annual General Meeting.

This is your chance to hear how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of our students. The AGM is also an opportunity for you to play a part in electing the PTA Committee, who will represent the association throughout the next school year. Nominations should be sent in advance of the AGM for anyone wishing to stand as an Officer or Ordinary Committee Member.

The FEBS committee comprises four elected committee members (three officers with official titles - Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) and one other elected committee member. The elected committee members will be legally responsible for the charity and should be willing to attend committee meetings at least 3 times a year (once per term). A copy of the job descriptions for the roles of chair, treasurer, secretary, and committee member will be circulated via EdulinkOne and if you would like any further information about being a Committee Member, please email febssw17@gmail.com.

Thankyou to our Bevin Quizand Curry night supporters, Makka Solicitors Ltd and Winkworth, Tooting.

Have you seen our new FEBS promotional banner?

We are very excited! FEBS has a new roller banner displayed in the main reception area and it is already creating a buzz, driving awareness about our college charity during parents' information week.

We look forward to your support on Friday 14th October 2022.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

FEBS Committee













