

#### Ernest Bevin Academy The best in everyone<sup>™</sup> Part of United Learning

#### Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have enjoyed a very busy July at school and I wanted to thank students, staff and the whole school community for helping us ensure it has been fun and enriching for all. We have seen a huge range of activities underway both

inside and outside of the classroom. You will see details of these highlights in the newsletter.

We have seen more trips and visits taking place than ever this month; I was pleased to be able to attend two in one week (something that has not been possible for me for a long time). My first whole school Sports Day at EBA was a pleasure to attend and it certainly made it into one of my top three favourite days of the school year. Our first Election Day was a really wonderful experience for all and I am pleased to announce the values to be: Ambition, Perseverance and Unity.

#### Summer Term | Wednesday 24th July 2024

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Being able to reward students for their hard work and effort is a real pleasure and I was delighted that our Awards Evening alongside the Summer Showcase was a success. Seeing (and hearing) student achievement is such a joy. I hope all students involved feel proud of their notable accomplishments.

We have also appointed our new prefects after having reviewed their applications and conducted interviews.

We wish our staff and students going onto pastures new the very best of luck and look forward to seeing everyone else in September.

As we approach the end of the year, please consider donating your child's outgrown uniform. Wishing you all an enjoyable summer break.

Ms Dohel, Principal

#### **Key Dates**

Monday 2 September 2024 STAFF ONLY Tuesday 3 September 2024 STAFF ONLY Wednesday 4 September 2024 (Year 7 and 12)

Thursday 5 September - Whole school returns

Friday 20 December 2024 – End of term Half term: Monday 28 October 2024 to Friday 1 November 2024



## School News EBA Election

It was an amazing day at EBA when election fever came to town on 4th July. Thanks to all our election stewards for ensuring that the process was smooth. Special appreciation goes to Ms. Powell and the Election committee for organising everything. We eagerly await our new values to be announced!



### **Induction Days**

We welcomed our new Purple Ties this month with induction days. Our new intake enjoyed a PE session of handball, a science lesson on pH and a DT lesson creating dice. It was great to see everyone bonding and having fun while learning. We look forward to seeing them thrive in the upcoming school year! We received positive feedback on the day. Thank you to everyone involved in making it such a success.



# Student Stars

Congratulations to Elijah, who represented EBA in the London Youth Games along with Purple Ties Sen and Jessie. They were selected for the Volleyball team who came just missed out on Gold in the final.

A massive well done to the boys, who brought home Silver!



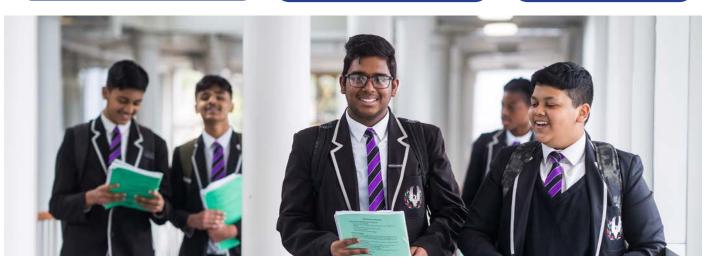
#### Good Luck Messages for our incoming Purple Ties

As we say goodbye to our outbound Purple Ties (and welcome many back in our Sixth Form), we wish our new Purple Ties the best of luck as they start secondary school. Embrace every opportunity, stay curious, and always believe in yourself. Remember, this is just the beginning of an exciting journey. You have the support of the entire school community, and we are confident you will achieve great things. Best of luck and make the most of every moment!

Have a wonderful time at this new school, uplift our Purple Tie legacy and keep those grades up! - Owais Good luck to all the new Purple Ties. We wish you the best in your upcoming 5 years at Ernest Bevin Academy - From the Head Prefect Ola

Remember that all the teachers here at Ernest Bevin are here to help you, and that you should listen to them. Have the best time! – Mekaiah

Make sure you're nice to all your teachers, try your best, and enjoy your time at EBA. - Kaiden Hope you guys enjoy your time in this school. Take this as an opportunity to grow as a person! - Jessie



## Trips

This month, we have had many exciting trips, including our transport enthusiast SEND students visiting the London Transport Museum, an A-level English trip to Keats House, a GCSE Geography trip to Battersea, a visit to Westminster Boys' School to film a promotional video for our boys' schools network and a rewards cinema trip for our Green Tie students.



## **Cambridge University**

As part of our Oxbridge mentoring programme, the Sixth Form trip to Emmanuel College, Cambridge, was an enlightening experience for the students. The tour of Cambridge allowed them to explore the historic and picturesque environment of the university, enhancing their appreciation for its academic and cultural significance. During the visit, students attended a comprehensive session on the Cambridge admissions process, providing them with valuable insights into application requirements and strategies for success. They also engaged in super-curricular activities designed to stimulate intellectual curiosity beyond the standard curriculum. A highlight of the trip was the personal statement writing workshop, where students received expert guidance on crafting compelling narratives that reflect their achievements and aspirations, significantly boosting their confidence in their university applications. Everyone agreed how useful the trip was and would consider applying to Oxbridge.



### Year 12 Work Experience

Year 12 students embarked on an invaluable work experience journey this month, stepping out of the classroom and into the professional world. This opportunity allows them to explore potential career paths, gain practical skills, and develop a deeper understanding of various industries. Whether shadowing professionals, participating in hands-on projects, or contributing to team efforts, students are gaining firsthand experience that will inform their future career choices. The work experience not only enhances their CVs but also builds confidence, communication skills, and a strong work ethic.

#### Here are some of the notable placements:

St Georges Hospital/St Georges Healthcare NHS Trust, Makka Solicitors, Clapham Law LLP, Accountancy & Taxation Services, Strand Palace Hotel & Restaurants, Clayton Hotel, The Royal Marsden NHS FT,Centre of the Cell, Queen Mary University of London, Blizard Institute and Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry

These diverse placements provided students with valuable insights and hands-on experience.



Sivaindranan working hard during his law firm placement

#### **Sports Day**

The most anticipated date in the school calendar finally arrived this month for our students in Years 7-10 and Year 12. We were fortunate to host the event at the Tooting Bec Athletics Track, a perfect venue for a day filled with excitement and competition. Our boys participated in a variety of events including tug of war, long jump, high jump, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m and the relay. One of the high-lights was the thrilling tug of war between the teachers and the students, with the teachers emerging victorious. The day was filled with fun, camaraderie, and a spirited display of athleticism, making it a memorable experience for everyone involved.

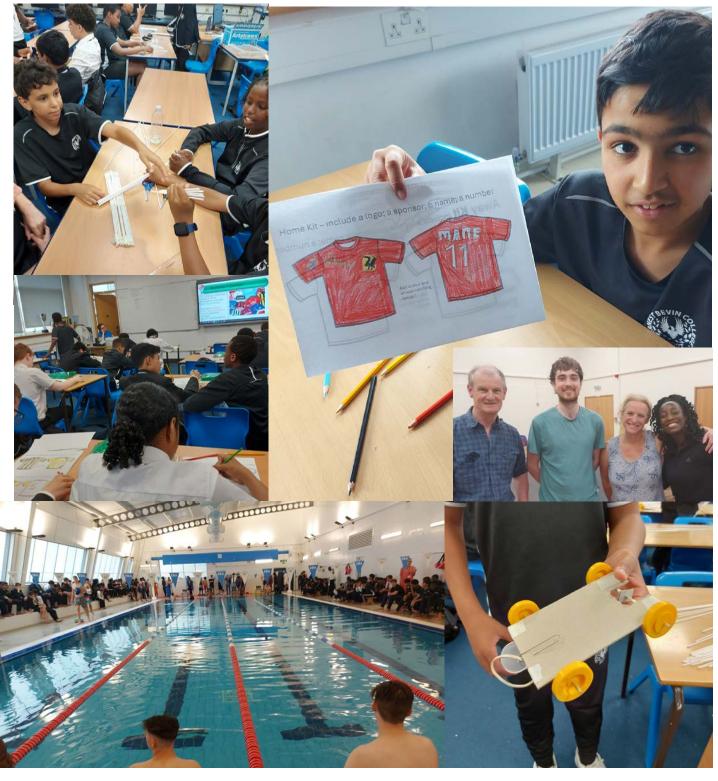






### **Enrichment Week**

Enrichment Week is back, bringing a whirlwind of excitement and learning beyond the traditional classroom setting. Students from Year 7 to Year 10 immersed themselves in a variety of engaging activities. The week kicked off with a thrilling swim gala, where students challenge themselves and showcase their aquatic skills in a series of competitive races. Following this, a volleyball tournament highlights teamwork and sportsmanship and the finals of our 'Euros'. Team-building exercises are scattered throughout the week, fostering collaboration and unity among peers. Well-being sessions offer a chance for students to relax and focus on mental health, promoting a balanced approach to life. On the creative front, students are delving into hands-on projects such as car making and bridge making, applying their problem-solving skills and ingenuity. Part of enrichment week, our boys were treated to a performance of Romeo and Juliet (Yellow and Blues Ties) and Macbeth (Red and Green Ties, as part of their GCSE English text).





### **Year 13 Graduation**

Our Year 13s got together to celebrate the completion of their A Levels with staff. It was a great turnout, with stories being shared, and heartfelt farewells. Thank you to everyone who helped make this a memorable night for all. Although this is not a final farewell, we look forward to seeing you again for exam results day.





#### **Extra Curricular - CCF**

Fifteen cadets from Ernest Bevin's Royal Marines contingent attended the national summer camp in July. Cadets from all over the UK work together in small teams to undertake a variety of activities, including sailing, climbing, abseiling, camping and shooting.

The camp starts at the Commando Training Centre Royal Marines near Exeter in Devon and then moves to Dartmoor - an area notorious for rapidly changing weather. True to form, cadets had to cope with rain on some days and hot sun on others. However, cadets are prepared for this experience by training every Tuesday after school and one weekend per month.

Cadets attending Week 2, typically older and more experienced, travel as a group by train - meaning that the travel to and from camp is part of the adventure. Cadets attending Week 3 are transported to and from Devon by minibus. Mr Riches and Mr Kay also attended the final week of Camp to help run the activities.

One of the cadets (Ferdaws, Year 10) won the 'Best Shot' award of the week and in fact delivered the best performance across all three weeks.

Students can join the CCF in Years 8 and 9, with the next opportunity being in April 2025.



### Alumni Visit

We had a surprise visit from a former Shaftsbury House student, Dhiraj. Dhiraj, who is now a software architect from Atlanta, came to EBA in the 70s. He was able to share many memories with his family (who he brought along) and even got to see his old tutor room. He spotted a fellow class-mate alumnus Simeon Davis on our sporting honours board.

A callout for former students of EBA. Please join our Alumni Network (See details below).



#### **Open Events**



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# **Open Events**

Weds 25th September : 5.30 – 7.30 pm Fri 27th September : 9 – 11 am Fri 4th October : 9 – 11 am

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#### **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.



**Pre-loved Uniform Wanted** 

If you are having a clear out over the holidays, please can you 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. We are keen to help families and the environment by finding homes for outgrown uniform.

Everything from ties to PE tops are welcome! We are particularly keen for large sized trousers.

### **Community Notices**

If you have a community notice that you would like us promote, please email <u>mail@ermestbevinacademy.org.uk</u> for details.

WANDSWORTH CLING FAI 4 August 2024 Join in a family bike ride at 10am **Richmond Park, Priory Lane to** King Georges Park Argento Tower, **Mapleton Road** Suitable for all the family! Dr Bike will be offering free bike maintance checks before the event from 9:30am. Ride Route (3.6 miles): https://goo.gl/maps/ HTER wedDhEEKBaUfwZYaA Wandswort



FREE CODE CLUB FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 8-11 & 12-15

8-11 year olds Mobile-App Development Microbit



**Tooting Works,** 89 Bickersteth Rd London SW17 9SH 4:30PM-6PM



#### 12-15 year olds

Mobile-App Development Web Applications

Our FREE coding club is designed for young minds aged 8 to 11 & 12–15. Whether they're a tech whiz or just starting out, our club offers a fun and engaging environment to learn, create, and innovate.

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Is your child aged 11-14 and passionate about football? Get them off the Xbox and ready for the new season with Balham Ballers FC's exciting pre-season football camp! Our camp offers a fantastic opportunity for young athletes to improve their skills, stay fit, make new friends, and have a blast.

#### Camp Details:

Dates: July 23rd - August 15th (Tuesdays to Thursdays) Time: 10AM - 1PM Location: Chestnut Grove Academy, SW12 9JZ Price: £25 per day (Discounts available for low-income families and childcare vouchers accepted) Don't miss out on this amazing experience! Sign up now and let your child shine on the field.



Price:

£130 Full Week £31 Full day £21 Half Day (Low income discount available upon request)

We also accept childcare vouchers at all venues!

To book or for more information please visit

balhamballers.com/holiday-camp

Email: Info@balhamballers. com

Dates: 22nd July - 16th August