

Autumn Term | Friday 28th September 2023



We are all very excited to welcome you back to EBA for another school year filled with learning, growth, and new experiences.

I would like to extend a special welcome to all our new students starting in Year 7 and Year 12.

I trust that you had the opportunity to relax, explore, and create lasting memories with family and friends during the summer holidays. Now, it's time to get back into the rhythm of school life and embark on a journey of academic excellence.

The start of a new school year is always a special time, full of promise and potential. It's a time to set new goals, make new friends, and continue building upon the knowledge and skills you've acquired so far. Our dedicated staff have been hard at work preparing an exciting curriculum and enriching activities to ensure that the return to school is both engaging and rewarding.

During the end of August we welcomed back Year 11 and Year 13 students for results day. Many of our students have achieved their expected grades, with several exceeding the anticipated outcomes.

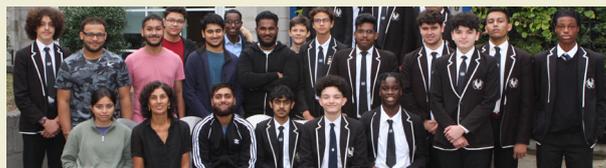
This week we had our Open Events. We are especially proud to showcase our school, and welcome new families to our September 2024 intake.

My first Principal's breakfast for the year, I met with all the student representatives. It was a great catch-up, and I left the breakfast with a great sense of positive energy for the start of the year. This energy inspired me for my next Principal's breakfast "A great start to the Year." This week's Principal's breakfast theme was "Respect." It was truly inspiring as we discussed many ways to improve the school from a student's point of view.

Being passionate about our environment, I now regularly meet with Eco-Leaders from our student body. This year we will focus on better paper recycling.

Ms Dohel,
Principal

Principal's Breakfast This Month



Meeting the Student Reps



1 Theme: A Great start to the Year



2 Theme: Respect

Key Dates

Friday 6th October 2023: Open Morning

Friday 13th October: Year 7 Singing Competition

Monday 23th October 2023 - Friday 27th October 2023: Half Term Holiday

Thursday 16th November: Year 7 Learning Showcase

School News

This month we had a surprise visit from former blue tie and Premier league footballer Tariqe Fosu. An excited tutor group 7SOA were lucky enough to get to meet Tariqe and managed to get a few selfies too, all before lunchtime! Tariqe was in the neighbourhood and popped by to see his former teachers.



Year 7 tutor group 7SOA



Tariqe Fosu, Mr Dappah & Marcell 10MU

Congratulations



Tariqe Fosu and Marcell 10MU

We are absolutely thrilled to hear the fantastic news that Marcell has been selected for AFC Wimbledon Football Academy! This is a tremendous achievement and a testament to Marcell's dedication, talent, and hard work on the field.

Marcell, as you embark on this incredible opportunity, remember to stay focused, keep learning, and always give your best. AFC Wimbledon Academy is a place where you can further hone your abilities and reach new heights in your football journey.

Good Luck from all of us at EBA.



AFC WIMBLEDON
ACADEMY HOMEGROWN & HUNGRY

Parent Notices



Parking Notice

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.

WANTED COSTUME / PROPS

If you have any of the items listed below, please contact the school and ask to speak to Mr Kilner

Rugs

Hats

Cardigans

Jackets/coats

Small dining Table / Chairs

Brooms (with removable broom head - I like the stick)

Broken vacuums

Old telephone handsets (corded or cordless)

Sunglasses

Umbrellas

Rolls of fabric - any colour



Fundraising



Easyfundraising

We are now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can help us for FREE. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them - at no extra cost to yourself! All you need to do is sign up and remember to use easyfundraising whenever you shop online. It's easy and completely FREE! These donations really mount up, so please sign up to support us here [link](#)



Welcome Year 7

A big welcome to all of our new Year 7 students and parents. They have had an absolutely fantastic start to their first year at Ernest Bevin Academy.

Year 7 Induction is an exciting milestone for students as they transition into secondary school.

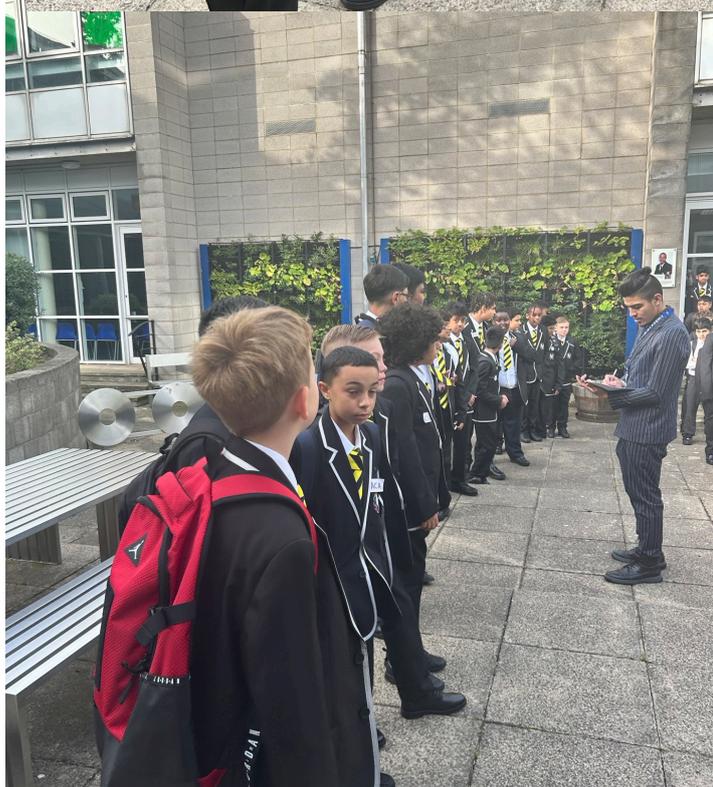
The day consisted of meeting their new tutors and classmates, navigating around EBA to locate their classrooms, logging onto the computer network, visiting the library, having lunch and getting their photos taken for Arbor. The day culminated with a group photo in the main sports hall!



Community Action

Proud

A massive well done to three new Year 7 students, Nordine, Samy and Callum who, on their second day at Ernest Bevin Academy, found a phone and bank card on the street and handed it to a member of staff who was able to arrange for it to be returned to the owner.



Year 7 Voices

Some Year 7's shared their experiences on the 1st day of big school

My first day of school people were very nice and helped me. We were showed round the school. On the second day of school all the other years were there and it was different. We switched between classes and don't worry if you get lost. The rest of the days you are introduced into new things and it's super fun. *Tyler 07JO*



On the first day people were very nice and I like how we were only Year 7 and sixth form I've made friends across all the years
Nordine 7AMA



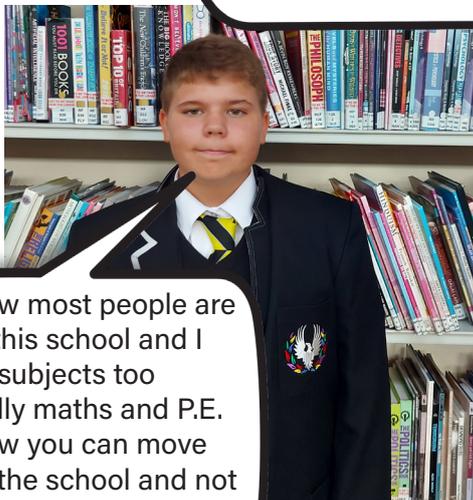
On my first day of EBA we were introduced to the school and at first I was quite nervous until I met everyone. Now I feel quite good about this school
Zaki 07ACA



What I like about Ernest Bevin is that you see which year people are in by their ties, but in other schools they are all the same.
Munasar 07JO



Ernest Bevin is a good school for me because you get to travel around a lot. It is very fun, especially the food is good.
Kayden 07JO

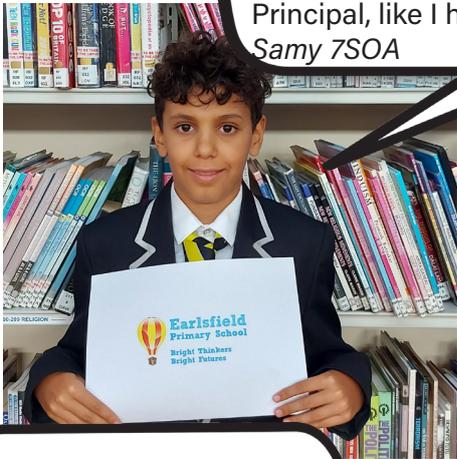


I like how most people are kind in this school and I like the subjects too especially maths and P.E. I like how you can move around the school and not stay in one class.
Simas 07AMA



On the first day of school was fun, because you get to move around from class to class. The teachers and students were very kind and helpful. The lessons are very fun as you do experiments and fun activities. If you do well you have breakfast with Principal, like I had. I love it here.

Samy 7SOA



On my first day it was amazing. Teachers are nice to you. When I joined it felt different, moving from class to class. EBA is a great school. You'll love it.

Yahya 07JO



One my first day I played lots of games . The maths is so fun and the French twizzles my tongue! Overall it is a great school and you should join this school

Uzo 7SOA



On my first day of EBA was weird because we had to walk around a lot more than primary school and we stayed in the same class. Also making friends was kind of hard.

Saswin 07JO



My first day of Ernest Bevin was interesting as I thought we was going into our classes but so far it's been amazing because I haven't got any detentions.

My favourite subject is PE as I love doing a series of sport.

Kanhai 7SOA



My first day was really fun. They spent a lot of time explaining what to do and where to go. I met my tutor Mr Carolino. He is a great teacher. It was easy to settle in and I think it's an amazing school. I used to not like playing sport but I love it now. Whoever, whatever you like or don't you will always be included at EBA

Emile 07ACA



Arbor

Ernest Bevin Academy is excited to announce that we will be moving our MIS to Arbor.

Adopting Arbor will allow us to communicate with you more efficiently and bring all core school data and workflows into one system.



We're using Arbor's free Parent Portal and Arbor App

We've chosen Arbor to help us manage our school.

Arbor is a simple, smart and cloud-based MIS (Management Information System), which helps us work faster, smarter and more collaboratively as a school. The Arbor App and Parent Portal mean we can keep you informed about your child's life at school in a much more accessible way. Log into Arbor to see and update your child's information, get live updates and make payments or bookings on the go!

The Parent Portal works on Google Chrome (computer or laptop) and you can download the Arbor App from the App Store or Google Play Store on your phone (Android 5.0; iOS 10.0 and upwards).

How to get started

1. Wait for your welcome email from us telling you Arbor is ready - you won't be able to log in before
2. Click the link in your welcome email to set up your password
3. Go to the App or Google Play Store on your phone and search 'Arbor'
4. Click 'Install' on Android or 'Get' on iPhone then open the App
5. Enter your email, select the school, then enter your password
6. Accept the Terms & Conditions and enter your child's birthday

The Sunnyville School of Magic
W10 5BN, London, GBR

Enter your password

Log in

Forgotten password?

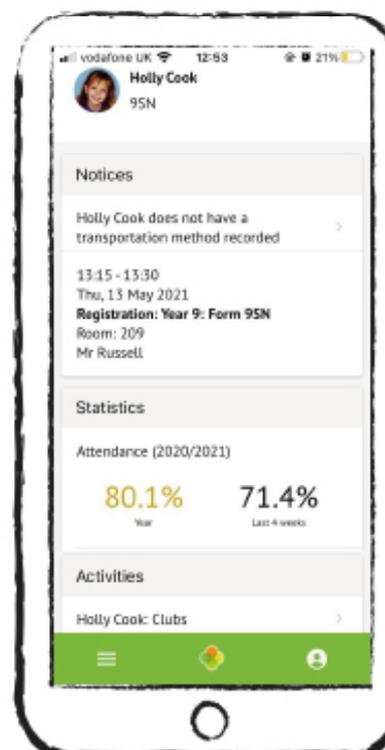
Need help using Arbor?

Contact the school office if you have questions about Arbor, the App or Parent Portal. Tell us the type and model of your phone, e.g. an iPhone SE, and include screenshots or screen recordings.

To safeguard student data in line with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), Arbor only works directly with schools.

Some tips to try:

1. Ensure your username is the email address you use for Arbor. Ask us to **check the email address** linked to your account.
2. **Reset your password** from the login page, or ask us to do this.
3. If the login email was sent to you more than 96 hours ago, the **password link will have expired**. Ask us to send it again.
4. Ask the school office to check that your email address has not been used twice - e.g. on another guardian or child's profile.
5. **Enter the birthday** of one of your children to log in.
6. Only relatives who are **Primary Guardians** of a child can access the Arbor App. Ask us to check you can access Arbor.



A-Level Results Congratulations



Our top achievers have obtained A* and A grades in their A-levels, and Distinctions in our BTEC Engineering cohort.

As our students embark on the next stages of their academic and vocational journeys, we take great pride in announcing that our students have secured places at prestigious institutions including Russell Group universities, the University of London, the University of Bath, Brunel University, Kingston University and the University of the West of England, among others. They will be pursuing a wide array of subjects including Physics and Astronomy, Mechanical Engineering, Mathematics, History, Computer Science, English and Creative Writing, Accountancy and Finance, as well as Sport and Exercise Psychology.

GCSE Results Congratulations



“It’s wonderful to hear about the positive outcomes and achievements of the students at Ernest Bevin in their GCSE results. Overcoming adversity and surpassing expectations is a true testament to their hard work, dedication, and resilience. The fact that top grades have increased and bucked the national trend showcases the students’ abilities and also underlines the dedication of the teachers, staff, and the entire school community in nurturing a conducive learning environment.”

Celebrating these triumphs is essential, as it not only boosts the students’ confidence but also serves as an inspiration for others to strive for excellence.

As last year, numerous students chose to continue their educational journeys with Ernest Bevin, and we are overwhelmed by their trust in our teaching staff to help them flourish and be the best they can be.

100% Attendance Awards Congratulations

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.



Ilyas - 07JO

Yasir - 8KEB

Club Offer

All students are encouraged to take advantage of the many extra-curricular activities on offer. There is a wide range of social, academic and sporting activities before school, at lunchtimes and after school. To see our club provision please click [here](#)

EBA warmly welcomed Mr Lowney to present a Volleyball assembly to our Year 9 and 10 students this week. Volleyball has always had a strong history at the school and Mr Lowney will be helping to re-establish the sport in the school with a weekly extracurricular club.



Summer Holidays

"I was fortunate enough to be selected to spend a week during the summer at Oxford university with the educational charity Universify. During the week I learnt all about university life and met many amazing people. The trip helped me to decide if I would ever be interested in university and showed me that any person could go to university regardless of their background. Since the trip I have begun monthly mentoring with a very good coach. I am also going to a follow up trip in the spring at Jesus college at Oxford of which I am very excited." *Adam 11HNO*



**Universify
Education**

Student Ambassadors



Hello. My name is Zach, and I am in Year 13. I have been studying at Ernest Bevin since Year 7 and, every year, I have been an ambassador of some sort. With this being my final year, I have been asked to share my experiences.

I feel like as an ambassador I was able to show the strengths of this school in ways only a student can, and that's why I also have partaken in open evenings and mornings every year too. Teacher assistance and preparation for these evenings has always been well thought out, with meetings and assemblies where information and plans were provided allowing us successfully to perform our jobs. On a personal level, touring the school has helped improve my speaking skills which is paramount for teaching Physical Education (hopefully my future career). In terms of the school, I hope that I was able to provide a perspective and information that possible parents wouldn't usually receive. Obviously, being here for nearly 7 years, I have gained knowledge and understanding that not everyone has.

I would absolutely recommend becoming an ambassador to younger students. Most prominently, being a senior ambassador such as prefect or being a part of the sixth form leadership team is very beneficial for future CV writing as it shows leadership qualities. But aside from that, it helps build a stronger connection to the school when you can see the legacy you are leaving behind or even the one you are starting to create.



School ambassadors preparing for the upcoming Open Evening. One of the many things they contribute significantly to; fostering a vibrant and cohesive educational environment, making a lasting impact on EBA's culture and community.

Open Evening

This Wednesday we opened our doors for our Open Evening. The event was impeccably organised, with a warm and inviting atmosphere that greeted visitors as they entered the school premises. Families and prospective students were welcomed by friendly staff and student ambassadors who eagerly shared their enthusiasm for the school's ethos and offerings. The evening featured interactive demonstrations, showcasing the school's commitment to innovation and excellence. Feedback from visitors was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing their eagerness to join the school community. It was a night filled with inspiration, excitement, and a sense of unity, leaving no doubt that the school's future is bright and promising.

Thank you to all staff and students who made this an inspired evening.



Academy Meals

EBA welcomes Wandsworth Harrison caterers. They are a on-site catering team prepare fresh food on site that fulfils all current Government requirements for healthy living. A choice of hot meals, including a vegetarian option, is served daily as well as a more deli style section serving baguettes, pasta, soup and baked potatoes. Healthy eating is important for the students so that they can have a nutritious tasty meal. All meat is Halal. There is also a food service at morning break time where students can buy healthy snacks and drinks.

WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week One 4 th Sept 25 th Sept 16 th Oct 13 th Nov 4 th Dec 8 th Jan 29 th Jan	Jerk Style Chicken & Coconut Rice Macaroni Cheese Sweet & Sour Vegetable & Noodle Pot Roasted Butternut Squash Green Beans Apple Crumble with Custard	Taco Tuesday Chilli Beef Soft Taco BBQ Chicken & Black Bean Soft Taco Chilli Bean Vegan Soft Taco Toppings: Salsa, Sour Cream, Lettuce, Onion, Tomatoes 'Street Corn' Cilantro-Lime Coleslaw Mexican Style Rice Sticky Ginger Cake	Chicken and Vegetable Pie with Mashed Potato & Gravy Roasted Pepper & Basil Frittata with Herbed New Potatoes Jollof Rice Pot Cabbage Glazed Carrots Chocolate & Vanilla Marbled Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	Pasta Bar Selection of Pasta & Toppings with Garlic & Herb Breadsticks Beef Bolognaise Pesto Style Salmon Creamy Alfredo Style Sauce with Broccoli & Sweet Pepper Broccoli Sweetcorn Mixed Berry Oat Bar	Battered Fish Fillet with Chips & Tomato Sauce Butternut Squash & Chickpea Curry with Bombay Style Potatoes or Rice Portuguese Style Lemon & Herb Chicken Pasta Pot Citrus Shortbread
Week Two 11 th Sept 2 nd Oct 30 th Oct 20 th Nov 11 th Dec 15 th Jan 5 th Feb	Mexican Beef Style Wrap with Chefs Salad Pasta Primavera with Paprika and Garlic Bread Thai Style Vegetable & Noodle Pot Herb Baked Courgettes Rainbow Coleslaw Steamed Pineapple & Coconut Sponge with Custard	Curry Bar Chicken Jalfrezi Onion Bhaji with Masoor Style Lentil Dhal Sweet Potato & Chickpea Korma Bombay Potato Salad Kachumber Salad Pilau Rice & Naan Style Bread Strawberry Mousse Sundae	Beef Bolognaise with Penne Pasta & Herbed Garlic Bread Macaroni Cheese with Herb Crumb Vegetable Jambalaya Pot Broccoli Roasted Tomatoes Carrot Cake with Orange Drizzle	Chinese Theme Chicken Chow Mein Kung Pao Chickpea, Cauliflower & Sweet Pepper with Lemon Rice Vegetable Chow Mein Chinese Cabbage Carrot Stir Fry Lemon Shortbread	Battered Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce Carrot & Chickpea Falafels in a Wholemeal Pitta with Tomato Relish Tomato & Basil Pasta Pot Glazed Carrots Peas Apple & Cinnamon Cake with Custard
Week Three 18 th Sept 9 th Oct 6 th Nov 27 th Nov 18 th Dec 22 nd Jan	Barbeque Style Chicken with Vegetable Rice Cheese & Chive Pasta With Tomato & Basil Focaccia Pasta Marinara Pot Broccoli Sweetcorn Chocolate & Pear Sponge with Custard	Pizza Bar Margherita Spicy Beef & Mushroom Chicken Tikka & Red Onion Garlic & Herb Pasta Side Chef's Salad Sautéed Courgettes Fresh Fruit Salad	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potato and Caramelized Onion & Thyme Gravy Cheese and Leek Pie with Mashed Potatoes Jollof Rice Pot Carrots Peas Apple Flapjack	Mexican Theme Chilli Beef Burrito Sweet Pepper & Bean Enchilada Chicken Fajitas Salsa, Sour Cream, Re-Fried Beans & Spiced Vegetable Rice Sweetcorn Roasted Courgettes with Garlic, Lime & Coriander Berry & Lemon Sponge with Custard	Battered Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce Vegetable Dhansak with Turmeric Rice Sweet Chilli Chicken Noodle Pot Peas Baked Beans Red Velvet Cake with Chocolate Sauce

Available daily: Jacket Potato Bar - Salad Boxes - Sandwiches & Baguettes - Fresh Fruit Pots - Mousses

HARRISON CATERING SERVICES

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Ernest Bevin Academy

About Your Catering Service

The catering service at Ernest Bevin Academy is provided by Harrison Catering Services, an independent family-owned company founded in 1994.

The Harrison proposition is centred around the on-site preparation and cooking of top-quality meals made with fresh ingredients. Over 100 clients across the UK enjoy a Harrison food service with more than 100,000 meals being served each day by approximately 2,000 staff across more than 270 locations.

Working in Partnership with Ernest Bevin Academy

Our catering team works with the school council to tailor menus to the tastes and preferences of the students. We introduce further interest and excitement to our menus through themed lunches ranging from holidays like Easter and Christmas to cuisines from around the world tying these into the school curriculum whenever possible. Whenever possible we link our menus to the school's curriculum and activities to further reinforce the importance of eating a balanced diet of nutritious food.

Providing Healthy School Meals

Harrison understands that what young people eat affects their health and their ability to learn and perform in the classroom. At Ernest Bevin Academy our catering team provides nutritious balanced meals and we work to educate the students on how to make healthier food choices. Our goal is to instil a love and understanding of fresh healthy food at a young age that will positively influence them throughout life.

All Harrison staff receive training in how to prepare and serve healthier food through the company's bespoke Eat Well Live Well© training programme.

In addition, our focus on fresh food means that only minimal amounts of fried foods appear on our menus - generally in the form of much-loved British favourites like fish and chips. We also aim to maximise access to fruit and vegetables by offering a choice of cooked vegetables, salads, healthier snacks and fresh fruit daily. Every egg we use is British-sourced and free range and the majority of our meat is British-sourced as well.

We Welcome Your Feedback

Hearing your thoughts on our catering service is an essential part of getting things right and developing the food service at your school. Please feel free to speak to our catering manager if you have any comments.

Join the Harrison Family

The great food and service that Harrison provides is only possible because of our talented staff. We aim to create an environment where every team member's efforts and skills are recognised, developed and rewarded so that we can attract and retain the best people.

If you are interested in joining the Harrison family, please visit our website for the latest job opportunities at www.harrisoncatering.co.uk/job-opportunities.html or contact the Human Resources department at our Thame office on 01844 216777.

Student Support

Dear Parents and Carers,

September is the time of transitions.

We welcome the new yellow ties who have transitioned from primary to secondary school.

We welcome back students who have transitioned from one year group to another, from secondary

school to sixth form and from 6 weeks summer holidays to being back at Ernest Bevin Academy.

We recognise that change and transition can be challenging for some students. If you feel your child is finding things particularly difficult, please do let heads of year or tutors know.

We have a good support system in place for wellbeing and mental health here at EBA.

This includes a pastoral support manager for each key stage, a pastoral support mentor offer-

ing one to one mentoring sessions, and a fully trained on site counsellor who delivers one to one

counselling sessions. We also have the help and support of several expert external organisations

such as the Wandsworth child wellbeing service.

As you may know from previous newsletters, we are in the process of working towards renewing our Wellbeing Award for Schools accreditation.

Using the feedback from the wellbeing surveys we sent out last academic year we have created a strategy to help us to continue to improve the wellbeing and mental health of the whole school community.

Our strategy is:

- For students to understand the help available to support their mental health & wellbeing.
- To raise awareness of mental health & wellbeing throughout the whole school community
- To promote self-help strategies for positive mental health & wellbeing.
- To create an inclusive environment that promotes and supports positive mental health.

We believe we have gone a long way towards achieving our goals, but it is important for us to get regular feedback from parents and carers, students, and staff about what they think.

With that in mind we will be sending out another short survey in the first couple of weeks of October and look forward to getting your feedback once again.

Here is a flyer advertising all parent webinars being held by the education wellbeing service throughout the year.

These webinars offer expert information and guidance on how to support young people with their mental health & wellbeing.

Mr Tweed

Mental Health Counsellor & Wellbeing Support

Upcoming Events For Parents & Carers Autumn Term 2023 Supporting your teenager's mental health webinars

**26TH
OR 28TH
SEPT**

Mental Health During The Teenage Years -
An Introduction And Overview
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

Getting Into School - Common Challenges &
Supporting School Avoidance
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

**12TH
OR 18TH
OCT**

**16TH
OR 17TH
NOV**

"I Wish I Looked Like Them" - Helping Teens
Navigate Body Image Issues
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

Understanding and Supporting Teen Sleep
& Self-Care
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

**4TH
OR 7TH
DEC**

We also provide free 1:1 early support programmes for young people to support with their anxiety or low mood. Speak to your school to find out more

[Click here](#)

To view further event details and descriptions, and to book on to any of the webinars, please scan the QR Code or follow the link to our Eventbrite collection.



THE 10 MOST COMMON MISTAKES STUDENTS MAKE

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- 01 SKIPPING BREAKFAST** This has a detrimental impact on attention and learning.
- 02 ONLY READING YOUR REVISION NOTES** Re-reading encourages you to skim read the text rather than properly processing it.
- 03 REVISING TO MUSIC** Listening to your favourite songs can distract you from revising. Study is usually best carried out in a quiet space.
- 04 MOBILE PHONES AND HOMEWORK** The mere presence of a phone has been found to cause a 20% decline in performance.
- 05 TAKING NOTES VERBATIM IN CLASS** Taking down word for word what your teachers says stops you from engaging with the material.
- 06 CRAMMING YOUR REVISION** Revising a little but often is much more effective than trying to learn a lot of information all at once.
- 07 NOT GETTING ENOUGH SLEEP** Set up a consistent bedtime routine that ensures you get the needed 8-10 hours sleep a night.
- 08 LEAVING THE HARD TASK TO THE END** Start hard tasks early as they always take longer than you think.
- 09 NOT GETTING ENOUGH FRESH AIR** Getting sufficient fresh air and exercise can have a positive impact on your wellbeing.
- 10 TAKING PHOTOS OF LECTURE SLIDES** Interacting with the material and making notes in your own words at the time of learning is a much more effective strategy.

4 Tips to use **HIGHLIGHTING** to actually learn

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1 ONLY HIGHLIGHT ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Don't highlight unnecessary details. Instead, focus on the key facts, words and concepts.

2 DON'T JUST RE-READ YOUR HIGHLIGHTED NOTES

It is a passive process which won't help you remember information.

3 USE OTHER LEARNING STRATEGIES IN ADDITION TO HIGHLIGHTING

Highlighting alone won't enhance your understanding as much as strategies like graphic organisers and retrieval practice can.

4 MAKE SURE YOUR HIGHLIGHTING IS CORRECT

Check with your teacher that you have correctly identified and highlighted key information before relying on it for studying.

Community Notices



BRIGHTER LIVING FAIR FESTIVAL OF EVENTS

Brighter Living is a festival of events for adults looking for care and support services in Wandsworth that promote active ageing and healthy, independent lifestyles.

Local organisations and charities will be hosting the following events for **FREE** all through October 2023. Please contact them directly to RSVP or for further information.

To find out more scan the QR code or visit:
www.wandsworth.gov.uk/brighterliving

