



# Glance @ Grammar

## Key Information and Dates

### January 2022

Tue 4	INSET Day
Wed 5	COVID testing - Yrs 7, 8 & 9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online lessons for all year groups</li> </ul>
Thu 6	COVID testing - Yrs 10, 11, 12 & 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normal lessons - Yrs 7, 8, &amp; 9</li> <li>• Online lessons - Yrs 10, 11, 12 &amp; 13</li> </ul>
Thu 13	Yr 11 Parents' Evening - online Yr 11 Mock Results Day
Fri 14	Sixth Form Taster Day
Wed 19	Yr 9 Options Evening
Thu 20	Yr 12 & 13 Parents' Evening - online
Thu 27	Yr 9 Parents' Evening - online

### February 2022

Wed 2	Yr 10 Parents' Evening - online
Fri 4	Yrs 11, 12 & 13 Photographs
Wed 9	Yr 8 Parents' Evening - online
14 - 18	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Thu 24	Yr 7 Parents' Evening - online
Fri 25	Yr 9 Options Deadline

### April 2022

Fri 1	END OF TERM
Tue 19	INSET DAY
Wed 20	Term starts for all students at 8.30am



Dear Parents/Carers

The Autumn term has come to an end and this edition of Glance@Grammar gives you a flavour of the wonderful things that have been going on at Enfield Grammar School. The highlight for me has been Black History Month where we had so many activities, lessons and guest speakers throughout the month of October. The passion and determination to address inequalities was heard loud and clear by all our stakeholders. Our work on equality, diversity and inclusion remains at the heart of EGS's vision to be a completely inclusive school for all its stakeholders. We have work to do and I'm determined to do all I can to make sure it gets done.

I'm so proud of the hamper appeal this year; just over £1400 was raised by our community and 21 hampers were prepared and delivered by groups of staff. It really is a wonderful gift to be able to help our families that are finding life challenging financially and the feedback from all the groups of staff that did it this year has been humbling.

As always, thank you all for your continued support and I wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a very happy new year.

C Lamb  
**Headteacher**

### Farewell with thanks to:

Mrs Clare Kirkham, Lunchtime Supervisor  
Mr Vidusun Edirimanasinghe, Wellbeing and SEMH Practitioner  
Mr Andrew Huxford, Teacher of Music

### A warm welcome to:

Mrs Caroline Coughlin, Data Manager  
Mr Hakkan Hassan, Science Teacher  
Mr Gayatri Bhushan, SEND TA  
Miss Lea Gibson, Wellbeing and SEMH Practitioner  
Miss Demi Michael, HLTA and SEND Admin Lead  
Mr David Hammer, Teacher of Music



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## Wellbeing Update - Mrs Yianni



### Mindful Arts

Wellbeing ran a series of group sessions using arts and crafts to develop grounding techniques for students. The first sessions were extremely well received and student feedback was that they felt significantly calmer both during and after participation. Students said that they are extremely likely to use the Arts in the future to support their emotional regulation.

### Wellbeing Ambassadors

Wellbeing have worked alongside Enfield Youth Service to develop a Wellbeing Ambassadors Project. Together we trained 18 students who will be working alongside us as Peer Mentors and Wellbeing Ambassadors.

### Wellbeing Steering Group

Wellbeing have developed a Student Steering Group to inform our services and ensure a student voice in the development plans and delivery of our work.

### The Wellness Project

Wellbeing have worked alongside Enfield Youth Service to deliver a Wellness Project focussing on emotional literacy and self awareness so that participants can maintain good wellbeing and wellness.

### Creative Writing

Wellbeing has introduced a creative writing project. The project uses creative writing to improve confidence, self esteem, communication and identity. Students are already benefitting from this project.

## Library Update - Mrs Rudolph

### Pupil Librarians

Introducing our student librarians! They are a very keen bunch and have been doing a wonderful job in the school library. The full team of 11 are - Emre (Head Student Librarian), Raess (Deputy Head Librarian), Jio, Evan, Raihan, Aman, Joe, Berat, Stanley, Kevan and Shaheer.



### Author visits

In early November, we were fortunate to welcome Stuart Lawrence, author of the book 'Silence Is Not An Option' (a motivational book for all). In addition, this event was linked to wellbeing and knife crime and took place in an assembly for Yr 9. Stuart also paid a surprise visit to our year 8 library class - 8X/EN3!

Three lucky students, Eric, Hector and Que were invited to a special presentation at the Town Library on 19 November, where they each received signed copies of Stuart's book.

In September, we joined an online virtual author event with Femi Fadugba with the whole of Year 8. Femi introduced his new book 'The Upper World', followed by was a question and answer session.

## POETRY SLAM AWARD WINNERS

Certificates were awarded to: Colm, Shaheer, Emre, Jude, Taylor, Nana, Ahmed, Berat and Tyrell as contributing poets. Well done!



### Rock Assembly

On Thursday 30 September, Rock Assembly 2021, organised by the Talent Foundry, took place and what a great day it was! Students from Enfield Grammar School participated in virtual workshops from LinkedIn about how you can use their platform to build a professional network and what information you should share, M&G about exploring apprenticeships and finally Rolls Royce looking at sustainable power solutions and future careers. Each session was full of useful information and students engaged really well! The Year 11 students who participated in the apprenticeship workshop with M&G impressed the speakers so much with their questions that they were awarded Nando's vouchers! Well done to all involved!

### Career Insight with EGS Alumni

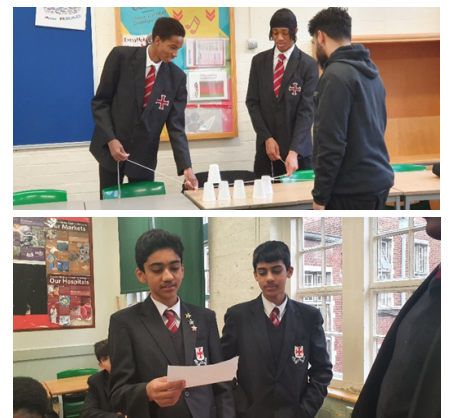
On 12 November, we were extremely lucky to be visited by EGS alumni who have all gone on to have fantastic careers in Medicine, IT and Chartered Accountancy and one now owning their own business in the property sector! Our guests shared their experiences and advice with a group of students in Year 10 and spent time answering all the questions the boys had (and there were lots!). Finally, three of the boys then took our guests on a tour of the lower school site where they reminisced and shared their memories and experiences with the boys – it really was wonderful to see!



### The Diana Award

The Diana Award scheme have hosted weekly workshops for a group of students in Year 9 and Year 12. The sessions have been focused on developing employability skills and getting our boys to think about their futures. We are joined each week by business mentors from employers such as BT and Sales Force, as well as university students. Students have engaged fantastically well in thought provoking sessions. Our guests have been really impressed with the progress of students and they have "seen themselves in each of the boys".

These successful sessions will continue next term!



### Year 10 Work Experience – Can you help?

All our Year 10 boys are seeking a placement for work experience, Monday 16th – Friday 27th May 2022 inclusive. If you are able to offer a placement or know someone who can, please contact Mrs Jean-Louis via email on [njeanlouis@enfieldgrammar.org](mailto:njeanlouis@enfieldgrammar.org)

Thank you in advance for your continued careers and guidance support.







## Football Update - Mr Peek

This has been a very good term for football at Enfield Grammar School. We have had representation in the Middlesex football squads, with Raymond Cathline in Year 10 playing for the U15 team, and Year 11 students Jake Davis and Kaya Karabayez-Cowling representing the U16 team.

In the Middlesex cups the record is as follows:

U18 Tye cup - lost in the last 16

U16 - lost on penalties in the last 16

U15 - lost in the last 16

U12 - lost in the last 16

In the National cups we have done really well in years 7, 8 and 9. The records are as follows:

U16 - lost on penalties in round 3

U15 - lost in round 3

U14 - are in round 6 (this is the last 32 - a good effort)

U13 - are also in round 6 (last 32 - another good effort)

U12 - are also in round 6 (last 32 - another good effort)

It is worth remembering that over 600 schools enter these competitions and to reach the last 32 is a great achievement.

Well done to Mr Berkun, Mr Baldwin, Mr Bowe and all the boys who have played.

We have also hosted local hub events on our 3G, where Wren, Chase Community and St Ignatius College have brought over teams at U12,13,14 and 15 age groups for mini tournaments. We have been able to use these games as a chance to give squad players a game who may not have had the chance to get much game time in the cup matches.

We are looking forward to a busy spring term, when the cup games will pick up again. There is a full Saturday morning programme. We are hoping that the Borough Cups will be able to be competed for after Christmas, which will involve all teams from the year 7's to the 6th form.

## Student Achievements

Tyler Tingey currently trains with Tottenham Hotspur Football Club and recently his team won the Truce Cup Tournament! As part of their footballing experience they also spent a day at an Army Barracks learning about the war. Congratulations, Tyler, on your footballing skills and your team's win!

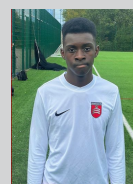
Kaya Karabayez-Cowling and Jake Davis from Year 11 who have been selected for the U16 Middlesex football squad for this season. Congratulations boys!

Congratulations to Raymond Cathline who represented Middlesex U15 Football Team and beat Hampshire 5-1 on his debut! Great start, Raymond.

We would also like to spotlight the fantastic achievement of one of our Year 10 boys, Freddie, who has qualified to play for Middlesex Cricket Club for a second season next year due to his successful performance this year!

As if that wasn't amazing enough, during the 'End of Season Event' night at his own cricket club, Holtwhites Trinibus CC, Freddie was presented with a mountain of awards:

- Colts U15 batsman of the year
- U17 batsman and bowler of the year
- Adults Top bowler of the year
- Young player of the year
- Champagne moment for a hattrick ball and a fifer in one game!





## Rugby Update - Mr Deay



This term saw the welcome return of Rugby to the Extra Curricular calendar.

### Year 7

The Year 7 team have had a slow start to their rugby journey so far, only playing 1 Saturday fixture this term. However, it was a resounding 60 points to 20 win against Isleworth and Syon School. The squad attended the Middlesex Schools Rugby Festival where they played 6 games in total and ended the day winning the Middlesex Bowl Competition. Congratulations to all involved. We look forward to seeing what next season holds.

### Year 8

The Year 8 team has had a similar season to their Year 7 counterparts playing two Saturday fixtures against St Ignatius College and Isleworth & Syon School. Both were highly competitive matches and the Year 8s won them both 45-25 and 35-30 respectively. The squad also attended their Middlesex Schools Rugby Festival where they played 6 games, winning 2, drawing 1 and losing 3 - finishing 3rd in the Middlesex Vase Competition.

### Year 9

The Year 9 team started the year strongly with convincing wins over St Ignatius College 50-0 and Isleworth & Syon School 55-5. Unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances further Saturday fixtures were not played. The squad joined the Middlesex Cup competition at the quarter final stage and came up against a well organised Grey Court School with the score finishing an agonising 25-15 loss.

### Year 10

The Year 10 team started the year full of excitement, bolstered by some returning players and new additions to the squad. Comfortable wins in the early fixtures against St Ignatius College 85-7 and Isleworth & Syon School 45-0 further buoyed squads confidence. A difficult fixture against Grey Court School in the Last 16 of the Middlesex Cup gave the team a proper test, which they eventually came out victorious 17-14. A backlog of fixtures saw the team play the quarter final and semi final 3 days apart, however the whole squad pulled together to record results of 33-0 against Fulham Boys School and 31-15 against St James Senior Boys' School to secure their place in the Final. The team arrived at the final in a confident mood, however some injuries and illnesses meant a reshuffle in personnel. The game started cagey, with both teams playing well, however we found ourselves two scores to one down heading towards half time. Either side of half time, the team suffered two more injuries which proved crucial in destabilising the structure of the team, eventually going down 14-28. The whole squad has played some outstanding rugby throughout the season - well done all. Final stats for Year 10.

Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points For	Points Against	Points Difference
6	5	0	1	223	64	159

## Premier League Inspires Programme - Mr Pieri

On Tuesday 14 December, Year 10 boys who have been participating on the Premier League Inspires Programme with the Tottenham Hotspur Foundation were invited to the Tottenham Hotspur Stadium to take part in a curriculum drop down day.

On the day, our boys took part in activities and sessions based on Mental Wellbeing with MIND UK and Online Behaviour with Impressionable Minds. The day also included a tour of the stadium. Head of Year 10 Mr. Turner and Assistant Headteacher Mr Pieri accompanied the boys to the event.





It seems just a short time since our last update in July but we have had a very busy and successful Autumn term. We are enormously grateful that we managed to fulfil our commitment to hold three Christmas events over the past two weeks.

Our first event, the long awaited Christmas Concert, was held on Friday 3 December. We introduced a number of extra COVID precautions to keep us safe but allow the Concert to go ahead so that the students could finally perform live to the parents and friends. It was a great evening and wonderful to hold something near to a normal Concert. A massive thanks to all the students who performed in their various bands, to our staff who supported them and attended on the evening, to FECS for running refreshments, the 6th form helpers, site staff and of course to every parent, carer and friend who came along to clap and cheer.

The weather took a turn for the worse the following week but our students braved the wind and rain to play Christmas music in Enfield Town for charity on 7th December. We managed to shelter out of the rain by Costa café and raised £232 for our two charities – Love is Kind (a domestic violence charity based in Enfield) and Shelter. Again, thank you to all the students who performed and who collected the donations, and to the parents and grandparents who came along to support during the afternoon.

And finally, on Friday 10th December, we took our choir to perform a selection of songs at the Caribbean Luncheon Club in the Green Towers Community Centre in Edmonton. The boys gave a tremendous performance to a very appreciative audience of older Enfield residents singing Warm this Winter, Memories, Fix You and Holly Jolly Christmas while Samuel Letsu sang Light of the World and O Come O Come Emmanuel. Thanks very much to Paula Thompson who runs the choir and to the site staff who drove us all to the venue.



We are very happy that we have managed to run all our regular instrumental lessons and bands this term and could mix year groups once again. It has been great to hear the bands playing in their after school sessions. Our drum lessons – run by Mr Storey and Mr Waters - are particularly well subscribed at the moment and we will be getting all of these students together for a drum workshop at the end of January, to be run jointly by Mr Storey and Mr Waters. I think I might pop along as well! If any boys would like to start lessons on any instrument after Christmas, please email Ms Cathy Penfold in the Music Office at [cpenfold@enfieldgrammar.org](mailto:cpenfold@enfieldgrammar.org). We are particularly looking for brass and woodwind players at the moment and may be able to loan an instrument. Thanks to all our instrumental tutors who have worked so hard this term to main

We were pleased to welcome Mr Andrew Huxford to the Department in September to cover Mrs Nelson's maternity leave. Mr Huxford has now been appointed to full time teaching position elsewhere and his place will be taken by Mr David Hammer from January. Mr Hammer is a very experienced teacher and also a professional musician and band leader. We look forward to him joining the Department after the holidays.

Our Concert Tour to France will be going ahead in July – having now been postponed twice. The Tour is fully subscribed by 47 students from all Year groups including some new Year 7 students. Fingers crossed.

Good wishes to all our students at this festive time – I hope you have a good break and keep well. We look forward to welcoming you all back to the Music Department in January.





## Sixth Form Update - Mr Wragg



Wow, what a term we have had in the EGS Sixth Form!

We have been fortunate to offer students some great activities and events this term. I am proud that all of the opportunities were open to all students; this inclusivity is a key feature of our sixth form experience and I know that it is valued by students too.

Another key feature of many of our events is the opportunity for students to develop a sense of Cultural Capital; this is great for developing a lifelong love of learning, finding new interests, developing individuals and adding to a UCAS application form. We have badged these events as "Culture Club" so watch out for future opportunities.

In September, we waved goodbye to our 2021 alumni as they made their way to university and welcomed back a large number of former Year 11 students. We also welcomed some boys from other schools; we opened our doors to a large group of collegiate students from Enfield County School.

As we finish the end of a busy term and close the year successfully with Year 13 mock examinations, it is an opportune time to reflect on some of the highlights from the past term.

### Sixth Form Refurbishment

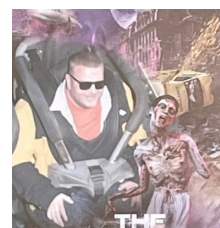
Over the summer holidays, the sixth form block began an extensive refurbishment. Phase 1 was completed for the start of September and included a dedicated sixth form study area with laptops and multimedia presentations screens in the Tudor Hall (the oldest part of the school buildings), a sixth form computer suite, the refurbishment of the sixth form common room including new soft furnishings and shared dining tables and the re-commissioning a sixth form toilet block. Phase 2 and Phase 3 will be completed over the next few months, will include further re-decoration, a coffee station, and dedicated sixth form courtyard. Huge thanks to the EGS site team for their hard work in developing these areas.

### Black History Month Celebrity Question Time

In October, we were extremely fortunate to be joined by the EGS Chair of Governors as we hosted a BHM Celebrity Question Time. Questions were posed in advance by students and presented for each of the panellists to answer. Our celebrity panel consisted of Mr Lamb (EGS Headteacher), Michael Duberry (former professional footballer), DJ Spoony (Jonathan Joseph – DJ and radio/television presenter) and Raymond Cathline (School Governor and local businessman). Our Deputy Headboy and student representative, Junior (who was invited onto the panel by our guests) joined them. All of the panel guests have overcome hardship and led exceptional careers in various fields; their humble, honest and thoughtful answers to some very difficult questions is testament of their wish to improve the lives of all students. It was great to listen to the stories of past successes but also look to the future. All of the students who attended left with a huge sense of possibility and positivity.

### Thorpe Park Fright Night

At the end of October we were fortunate to be able to combine our rescheduled summer Thorpe Park reward trip with Fright night; the UK's premier award-winning Halloween event. This meant that over 120 students from both Year 12 and Year 13 were able to try the most thrilling rides in the dead of night as well as observe live-action Halloween experiences and spine-chilling scare zones – students and staff alike screamed at both the roller coasters and Halloween effects. Some fear-seekers took the opportunity to visit some of the infamously terrifying scare mazes – although, I can testify that all staff members were too scared to take part. Luckily for all of those who attended the October weather was kind and the rain held-off until almost home time!







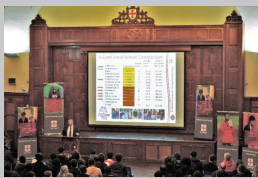
## Get Up Stand Up

On a cold November night a small group of sixth form students and staff ventured to the Lyric Theatre in the West End to watch "Get Up Stand Up" – The Bob Marley Musical. Mr Berkun was the perfect travel guide and host for the evening. All had a great night!

## Sixth Form Open Evening

Our annual Sixth Form Open Evening took place on Tuesday 9 November 2021. Mr Wragg delivered a short presentation about the sixth form and application process. Subject teachers/leaders were available to discuss option choices at our annual subject fair. Both events were fully supported by a huge team of sixth form student ambassadors who ensured that the evening ran smoothly; they also answered any questions posed by prospective students or parents.

Progression choices from year 11 are important. Students need to ensure that they are making the right choice, with both institution and courses. The transition from Key Stage 4 into Key Stage 5 is challenging but with the right guidance, students can ensure they are making the right decisions to enable them to progress onto their chosen careers. Mr Wragg and the Sixth Form Team are available to support any future applications or answer any questions about post-16 progression.



## Enfield High Achievers

Mrs Burke and Mr Wragg accompanied seven Year 12 students (and their families) who, based on their GCSE grades, are some of the highest achieving students in the London Borough of Enfield and were selected to attend the Enfield High Achievers' Evening. This evening was to celebrate their success and to start them thinking about their university education and future career.

The first part of the evening was a celebration where all students received an award from the Mayor of Enfield. The second part of the evening included workshops for young people and parents and a careers and a progression market place with representation from a wide range of universities, employers and professional bodies. Students and parents had the opportunity to meet colleagues from professional organisations, discuss opportunities and seek advice.



## Student Leadership Team

Remembrance Day marked the last official duty of last year's Headboy and his team. Ben Underwood (Headboy) now becomes our School Captain and follows our school tradition. The school is grateful to Ben and his Deputies, Sean and Junior, for their hard work during the past year. As a collective group, they led a successful team of Senior Prefects at a number of school events. Thank you for giving back to EGS.



Our new Head Boy Luca, was elected by students and staff. During his election campaign, Luca stated "I can talk to anyone in any situation and can approach a situation with the correct manner. I've played rugby all my life and captain the school team, so I understand what it takes to encourage people and to lead by example. I'm trustworthy and reliable, anything that needs doing would be done to the best of my ability. Most importantly, I'd like to give back to the school for all the hard work and dedication that has been put in over my secondary school life". Luca is joined by Arosh, Daniel and Samuel as Deputy Headboys.



## Maths Department - Ms Paraskeva

Congratulations to the following students on their achievement in the Senior Maths Challenge, which took place in November. The Senior Maths Challenge is a 90 minute multiple choice challenge. It encourages mathematical reasoning, precision of thought, and fluency in using basic mathematical techniques to solve interesting problems. The mathematical problems are designed to make students think. Most are accessible, yet still challenge those with more experience.

Congratulations to all of our students!



### **Bronze Award**

Arda Boyraz  
Aatif Saumtally  
James Goodspeed  
Adam Rahman  
Kaleen Rahman  
Umer Abdulehed  
Sammy Habibi  
Adil Hussain  
Ajanthe Anura  
Aryan Naik  
Farhat Uddin  
Adibul Miah  
Palo Affinita  
Birkan Uzun



### **Silver Award**

Cullen Neilson  
Tristan Thys  
Brandon Naidu  
Johnny Chan  
Sean Teano



### **Gold Award**

Adam Demou  
Molly Pearce





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