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Key Information and Dates

April 2022

Tue 19 Apr INSET Day

Wed 20 Apr Term starts for all students

May 2022

Mon 2 May Bank Holiday

Fri 6 May | Jazz & Acoustic Music Concert

w/c 16 May Year 10 Work Experience

Year 11 & 13 external exams start

w/c 23 May Year 10 Work Experience

Thu 26 May Year 12 Transition Day

Fri 27 May Last day of term

June 2022

Mon 6 Jun Term starts for all students

w/c 20 Jun Year 12 Progression Week

July 2022

Fri 1 Jul Year 6 Induction Day

Fri 8 Jul Sports Day

Thu 21 Jul Last day of term (12.30pm finish)

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Dear Parents/Carers

It's been another incredibly successful, busy term and we are pleased to arrive at the Easter break.

Our Year 11s and 13s are now firmly in the "revision zone" as we approach the 2022 public exams, which start in May.

As you will see from this newsletter there has been so much going on both academically and pastorally, which we are extremely proud of. Thank you and well done to all our boys, staff, parents and carers who have worked hard to support our community to be the best that it can be.

I wish you all a cracking, 'eggcellent' Easter break and I look forward to welcoming you all back in the Summer Term.

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Headteacher

Farewell with thanks to:

Mrs Debbie Plumb, Headteacher's PA & Office Manager Mr Sal Berkkun, Head of Year 12 & Business Studies Teacher Mrs Joanna Szlagor-Zdunczyk, SEND Teaching Assistant Miss Nicola Tweedy, Science & Psychology Teacher

A warm welcome to:

Ms Senada Gjokaj, Wellbeing Practitioner
Ms Dudu Akar, Cover Supervisor
Mr Harry Zakkour, Behaviour Support Officer
Ms Hameetha Noorjhan, Maths Teacher

Careers Update - Ms Jean-Louis

Careers Insight Day

On Friday 11 February, we welcomed several business guests who represented a wide variety of job roles and sectors. The professionals shared information about their job roles, the industry they work in, the routes in and opportunities available. We also had representatives from Higher Education, Further Education and Apprenticeship providers which allowed students to explore and find out about pathways available to them.

Students had the opportunity to ask questions and find out more about the world of work for themselves. Our guests were really impressed with how the students engaged with them, and the interest that they showed.

This event was attended by all students in Years 9, 10 and sixth form and was also made available to students in Year 11.





The Diana Award - Successful Programme Completion!

Congratulations to those students in both Years 9 and 12 who participated in the twelve-week Business Mentoring Programme with The Diana Award.

All students were extremely positive about the experience and were grateful for all the support they have received in developing their skills, preparing for the world of work and the encouragement in thinking about their futures! All students felt that they had grown in confidence, particularly in terms of public speaking and speaking to people they do not know.

Our guests were really impressed with how well the students had engaged throughout the programme and we all agreed it was such a pleasure to see them shine with their final presentations and to see them all full of confidence and high aspirations for their futures!

A massive thank you to the Sales Force UK team, in particular Sam who was one of our Business Mentors for donating a MacBook Pro for the Careers Department in school. This will create further opportunities for students to be able to use current technology whilst carrying out research and completing online applications for future opportunities. A wonderful resource for our Careers Department.





Investment 20/20 - Employer Visit

On 16 March, we had the opportunity to take a small number of our Year 12 students to visit the offices of Investment 20/20. Investment 20/20 work with young aspiring professionals, helping them start their career in investment management.

Our young men had the opportunity to network with professionals working in a variety of roles in the City and were able to develop an understanding of the purpose of investment management and explore career entry routes.

Students described the trip as interesting and beneficial, stating that they felt inspired and motivated by the event! A great time was had by all!







Employability Skills Workshop

To celebrate National Careers Week 2022 and support our boys in Year 10 as they prepare for work experience, we held an Employability Skills Day on Friday 11 March! The day was delivered by an external company, Bright Futures, and was designed to encourage students to think about what skills are required for the world of work and was packed full of fun activities to support their development of these skills.

The boys engaged wonderfully, and our visitors were extremely impressed and left Enfield Grammar School with a very good first impression! Well done boys – now let's find those work experience placements!







The WEX Factor with RahRah Theatre Company

RahRah Theatre Company delivered an outstanding performance of 'The WEX Factor' to Year 10 students earlier this month. This is a performance designed to support students in understanding the world of work and what is acceptable in the workplace. As well as being extremely informative and packed full of helpful hints to help students be successful in the world of work, it was also interactive and fun! Overall, the students engaged brilliantly – well done all!





Football Update - Mr Peek

1st XI - Borough cup finalists; Middlesex cup last 16.

2nd XI - Middlesex cup semi finalists.

Year 11 - Borough cup finalists; ESFA cup round 3; Middlesex cup last 16.

Year 10 - Borough cup semi finals; ESFA cup round 3; Middlesex cup last 16.

Hub events featuring years 7-10, including The Latymer school, Kingsmead school and Heron Hall school.

A difficult year for football at the top end of the schools football teams, especially in the 6th form where the lack of league football this season had meant a very stop/start season, making it difficult to get a pattern of play together. Despite this the 1st XI have had a good run to the Borough final (including finally beating local rival St Ignatius College at the third attempt this season in the semi final, who had defeated us in the other cups), and the 2nd XI, featuring some boys representing the school for the first time, reached the semi final of their Middlesex competition.

Year 11 started the season looking to build on past successes. However, some very tight games in the National and Middlesex cups resulted in defeat via penalty kicks deciding the games. The Borough final against St Ignatius will be after the coming break.

Year 10 has also had a mixed season. Their record stands at: P12;W5;D1;L6.

They managed to reach the semi final of the Borough cup, but were unfortunately defeated in this game. Many boys have played on a Saturday, that may not be regular players for the school, and it is hoped that they will continue to be available and go from strength to strength in the future.

Year 7 has shown that football is secure at the school. On Saturday mornings we have regularly had 20+ boys representing the school. They also had a good National cup run, being defeated in round 6. They are in the Borough final, due to be played after the Easter break. Their record so far is: P18; W10; D1; L7.

Many congratulations to our Year 9 football team who rose to victory in the U14 final of the Middlesex JS Lyle Cup, securing a 3-1 victory against Bishop Ramsey.

Year 8 also ended the term with a win, securing the President's Cup for U13s (English School's FA) for a seventh time. We are immensely proud of our students who showed determination, grit and skill during the season.

Many thanks to all staff that have been involved in running teams and organising fixtures throughout the year.



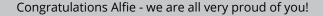






Student Spotlight

Alfie Knipes in Year 10 fought in the England Boxing Nationals and won his category (for his age and weight) to become No.1 in the country. A great achievement.





Literacy Update - Ms Print & Mrs Rudolph

Battle of the Books - Years 7 and 8 (January-March)

Every year Enfield Grammar School receives a free secondary school library pack from BookTrust, which consists of five future classics, five reluctant reader and five non-fiction books. All of the books are for years 7-9.

This year we ran a Battle of the Books competition with all Year 7 and 8 library classes. This required every student to score the book by its cover, blurb and the chapters read. This proved to be very interesting as opinions changed through the process.

The final verdict was the following:

- 1st Black Brother, Black Brother by Jewell Parker Rhodes
- 2nd Skywake Invasion by Jamie Russell
- 3rd I am the Minotaur by Anthony McGowan

Outcome: Do not judge a book by its cover. Give it a go. It may surprise you!

World Book Day

Competitions

Student librarians launched their own book cover competition and narrative writing competition and advertised them around the school, on daily notices and in the library.

Short story winners were: 1st Eren (yr8). 2nd Jio (yr9) & 3rd Thishan (yr11)

Reinvent a book cover: 1st Walied (yr9), 2nd Ibrahim (yr8) & 3rd Alex (yr10)

Match the Author to the book – a quiz held all week in the library, for all year groups. The winner was Jeremy (yr8).

Well done to all the boys who took part and to our winners!

Murder Mystery

A Murder mystery was held in the library for some Year 8 students to celebrate World Book Day. Great fun was had trying to work out who had murdered fictional character, Miss Terry, the library assistant! After seven rounds of clue searching and red herrings, the following boys solved the mystery: Dominic, Lucas, Jack, Nathan, Bruno, Jeremy, James, Malakai, Theo, Nicolas and Joannis, Fantastic!

Staff Dress Up

Being back in school this year we were able to have the staff dress up competition again - lots of staff members took part and we had a vast array of different book characters walking around the school: from Draco Malfoy, to Boy in a Dress, even Cat in a Hat! The students loved going around school uncovering the characters - well done to our winners Hasan, Haroun and Isaac (Year 7) and Hamza, Isaiah, Emmanuel and Will (Year 10).







Form Time Book Quiz

In afternoon form time, "Guess the Teacher behind the book" quiz was held. Well done to Edward and Freddie (Year 10) for correctly guessing all the teachers hidden behind their favourite books.

Readers are Leaders WBD Webinar

On 4 March, Year 7 and 9 students watched a virtual webinar entitled "Reader are Leaders" run by World Book Day and Young Nexus. It was hosted by Zeze Millz and had Stuart Lawrence as a special guest: discussing the importance of reading and the skills, it gives you in life.

Author Visit

On Monday 7 March 2022, we were lucky to welcome author, poet and rapper; BREIS. During his visit, BREIS ran three writing workshops, with invited Year 9 students. He also performed at our Year 9 assembly. The boys worked well in the sessions and both Omari, Hezekiah and Luc performed their work in assembly. Well done boys. Excellent!

Reading Mentors for Year 5

On Friday 4 March, we were honoured to host eight Year 5 students and their teachers from St Andrews CoE Primary School for a reading workshop with our Year 9 and 10 reading mentors. The students really enjoyed the session, reading "Seven Ghosts" by Christ Priestley and engaging in some reading activities with their mentors. They were given the book, and a personalised EGS bookmark (thank you Student Librarians for designing it!) as a gift for taking part. We are looking forward to hosting them again on 29 April.

Science Week - Mr Doyle

At the beginning of March we took part in British Science Week. Students in Years 7 to 9 participated in a variety of themed lessons based around the concept of 'growth'. It was a pleasant break from our normal lessons and gave us an opportunity to further develop our creative and practical skills. The activities included growing crystals, structure building and designing and building rockets.

Our students had great fun launching the rockets form an air-pressured launcher made by the science technicians. Some of the rockets had severe malfunctions with the nose cone flying off leaving the body behind to the delight of the fellow class members. Others caused cries of delight as they flew 30 metres or more to embed themselves nose first into the soft grass. Boris (Year 8) achieved the furthest distance of 40m. Not bad as the rocket was only made out of paper and sticky tape!

Geography Trip - Flatford Mill - Mr Findlay

Year 12 geographers spent three days in the heart of 'Constable Country' staying at Flatford Mill as part of their A Level field studies. They were able to collect data on coastal and river processes as well as look at inequalities in rural villages.





Music Department - Mr Ness

It has been a busy and exciting term for the music department. In addition to holding the brilliant Battle of the Bands concert, they have also put on a Drumming Workshop, Groove Band held a concert in a local church and led a trip to the Bob Marley exhibition.

Bob Marley Expo

A group of music students who play in our school bands had a really enjoyable and interesting morning at the Bob Marley One Love Experience Exhibition at the Saachi Gallery in Chelsea on Wednesday 30 March. The exhibition had photographs, artwork and memorabilia on display but was also very much an interactive exhibition with a multi-sensory experience in the One Love Forest and live listening in the Soul Shakedown studio. Bob Marley's passion for football was very much in evidence and the table football machines were certainly very popular with the boys!

Battle of the Bands

The Battle of the Bands finally returned to the EGS stage on Friday 25 March – the last Battle being fought in March 2019! All our school bands performed brilliantly during the evening together with two student-led bands.

Awards were made for the best guitarist, drummer, bass player, singer and for featured instruments and the final winner was The Apprentice Band, who received the silver trophy at the end of the evening.

A huge thank you to Hannah Stratton who was our judge for this event, to our tutors who led the bands – Mr Tate-Lovery, Mr Escott and Mr Waters – to all our parents for supporting the bands so enthusiastically and, of course, to all the students who took part. You made us very proud.

The next music event is the Jazz and Acoustic evening on Friday 6 May.











Mathematics - Intermediate Challenge Results - Ms Paraskeva (Head of Mathematics)

Some of our KS4 students took part in this national competition, which encourages mathematical reasoning, precision of thought, and fluency in using basic mathematical techniques to solve interesting problems.

Congratulations to the following year 9, 10 and 11 students:



Gold Award: Ben Humphry Luca Musca Daniel Negru Ed Hathaway Yaseen Mohamed Tochi Onyema



Silver Award: Talha Asiliskender Samuel Bennett Harry Doran Tommy Emery Sam Howkins Archie Kenny

Archie Kenny
Edward Kocabali
Manan Lad
Berat Mengunogul
Rachid Ould-Ali
Dominic Paine
Rocky Thewlis
Farhaan Soobratty
Daniel Stefanov
Dhyan-Deepak Tailor

Sidney Witter

Shawn Luchmun

Driss Lanza

Conor Mair



Bronze Award: Ahmed Ahmed Raphael Alarcon Uwaym Alavi Emmauel Amagyei Ameyaw Abd Arrahman Baker

Serban Beta
Francis Blankson
Lucas Bowley

Felix Burrows

Ryan Butt Omar Choudhury

> Ismet Coban Tamzid Gafur

Joe Dengel

Jonathan Deocares

Luke Escott

Romeo Gjakova

Rihun Hurry

Sulayman Hussein

Nathaniel Jeffrey

Jio Rubiano

Charlie Lika

Dennis Malaj

Borys Mazurek

Kavin Mercan

Radhesh Mistry

Noah Monk

Matthew Moyo-Smith

Ewan Neilson

Mohamed Noor

Sean Onsase

Kieran Pattar

Nathaniel Puventhiranathan

Bhimraj Raghoonundun

Kasper Samura

Reece Sandham

Sakir Shek

Elliot Stallard

Rakim Uddin

Lloyd Vassell

James Villamor

Woody Willis

Harvey Young

Kacper Zdunczyk

Best in Year 9:

Tochi Onyema

Best in Year 10:

Yaseen Mohamed

Best in Year 11:

Ed Hathaway

Best in School:

Ed Hathaway

Special Congratulations to the following students who were invited into the next round:

Talha Asiliskender, Samuel Bennett, Harry Doran, Driss Lanza, Connor Mair and Tochi Onyema

Sixth Form Update - Mr Wragg

Calling all Year 11 and Year 12 Students - NCS WANTS YOU

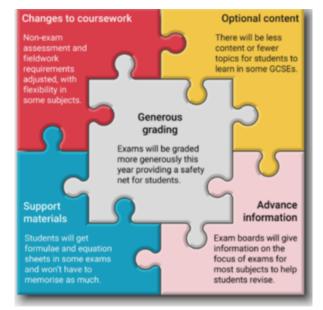
After half term, we were fortunate to welcome local NCS representatives to a Year 12 Progression session to introduce the heavily subsidised and fun programme to sixth form students. National Citizen Service (NCS) is a voluntary scheme for Year 11 and 12 students that generally takes place during the summer Think long sunny days (probably some wet ones too, who are we kidding), hanging with new mates, having a week of adventures staying away from home that you'll talk about for years, a week of doing some good in your community, and becoming the best version of yourself. What more could you want?

NCS has been delivering programmes to Young People in England since 2009. With the support of the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) it has since taken over half a million young people on the programme. In December 2019, NCS transitioned from a not-for-profit Community Interest Company to a Royal Charter body, achieving security as a national institution.

Summer '22 lasts two weeks. In your first week, during the Be Epic and Live Life phases, you'll come together as a team and learn new life skills, whilst staying away from home for four nights and five days. The second week will be your Do Good and Go Party phases, where you'll carry out and celebrate the social action project your team design and deliver for your community.

Find out more at: https://wearencs.com/summer

Support for students taking exams and formal assessments in 2022



Following our successful sixth form Pre Public Examinations (PPEs) in March our focus shifts sharply to the terminal exams in the summer. These are the first formal exams that Year 12 and 13 students will have sat. The Government understands that students taking exams and assessments this year have been affected by the pandemic. That is why they have made changes to the arrangements for exams and formal assessments. The support that has been put in place is designed to be appropriate for the particular qualifications that students are taking. There is a package of support in place for all students taking GCSE, AS and A level qualifications this summer.

Exam boards have published advance information about the exams to help you focus your revision. It is published on their public websites, ask your teacher to show you where to find it. There is advance information for all AS and A level exams.

Students will be assessed on less content this year in GCSEs in English literature, history, geography and ancient history. Therefore, there is no advance information for these GCSE subjects. There is advance information for all other GCSE subjects. Exam boards have worked together to develop advance information that is appropriate for each subject and specification. There are differences in advance information between subjects and, in some cases, even between different exam boards' specifications in the same subject. Advance information is to help you focus your revision. You can read more about advance information in the Joint Council for Qualifications' (JCQ) FAQs for students.

WizeUp Financial Education Sessions

In March, Enfield Grammar School Sixth Form was fortunate to be included in WizeUp Education pilot programme in partnership with The Jack Petchey Foundation. We welcomed Ed Flack to the school where he delivered financial education to year 12 students. He covered a range of topics including budgeting, saving and investing, taxation and pensions over two exciting sessions. Ed also delivered four topics to year 13 students on student finance, starting a business, credit cards and credit ratings. Follow on Twitter: @wizeupme



Sixth Form Taster Day

We welcomed Year 11 students in the sixth form on our annual Sixth Form Taster Day on Friday 14 January 2022. This was a great opportunity for Year 11 students to find out more about the subjects that they would like to study after Year 11, with current sixth form students sharing their experiences of different subjects.

The event was a huge success with Year 11 students selecting subjects to "taste" before making their final sixth form choices. Students chose 4 sessions to "taste" with teachers commenting on the high quality learning that took place and students remarking about the fun and engaging nature of the sessions! We are excited about welcoming back many of our Year 11 students as they embark on their sixth form journey in September.

Conditional Offer Letters will be sent to all those students who have applied to the EGS Sixth Form after the Easter break.

If you would still like to apply for a place at EGS Sixth Form please speak to Mr Wragg.

Year 7 Update - Mr Chrysanthou

The gardening club is back up and running and the Year 7 involvement has been outstanding. They have approached the hard work with maturity and rolled their sleeves up to help tame the plot they are working on at the lower school.

I have been impressed with the positive involvement of our students in the EGS Factor. They have performed various talents, tricks and performances in assemblies. Performances have included a comedy double act, singing, piano pieces, magic tricks and a Rubik's cube speed test.

In Art, Year 7 students have created some outstanding pieces of art works based on the art work by Artist Ashes57 and I am hoping to forward the finished work to her to highlight their artistic talent.

I am very proud of Year 7 this term and am looking forward to the Summer term.











Duke Of Edinburgh - Mr Wragg, Ms Field and Mr Smith

We recently took our Year 10 DofE students on their second practice hike in Lea Valley Country Park; three groups following their maps on a circular route. The boys did well with no mishaps or extra miles being walked! We look forward to our final expedition during the Summer term. We will be recruiting for next year's DofE group soon.





Wellbeing Update - Mrs Yianni

Wow! What an exciting and busy term it has been for Wellbeing Team at EGS. We have continued to develop our range of services, partnerships and workshops to support our students. Below is a range of activities from this term to give you a flavour of some of the projects the boys have benefitted from. We are looking forward to supporting students and their families in the Summer term

Photobox/Have Our Say

During March we delivered a three week pilot project looking at relationships through the use of photography. Our students created a portfolio of work reflecting their own experiences and understanding of relationships.

Mindful Arts

Following the success of our Mindful Arts workshops last term, we continued with our expressive art based sessions during the Spring term. The focus of these sessions was identity, self esteem and confidence.





Community Craft









Ms Gibson facilitated a crafts session to support BoHo Flo's community Art Can Project to brighten up Lancaster Road.

We are looking forward to seeing our designs on display!

Diversity Role Models

In line with our commitment to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, Diversity Role Models delivered workshops on LGBT+ awareness and inclusion for our Year 7 and 8 students.

Creative writing

This term we continued with our creative writing sessions with small groups of students who used creative writing to improve their communication, emotional literacy and self confidence.

Gambling Awareness

We delivered a workshop with Red Card discussing online behaviours, recognising risks around these behaviours and how to access support.

Student Wellbeing Ambassadors

A special well done to the Year 10 Student Wellbeing Ambassadors. These students have created a welcoming and inclusive environment by providing extra support during break and lunch time, and being positive role models within the school.

Alex Smol Baden Doggett
James Woodcock Dawson Yianni
Joseph Micallef Bryan C Meme
Zende Gachette Rayhan Wilson
Samir Elkomaty Joel Banin
Jack Doggett Darell James