



ELTHORNE PARK

HIGH SCHOOL

ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE IN A LEARNING COMMUNITY



Message from the Headteacher

We have had so many fantastic events to celebrate this week. Congratulations to the superb cast, musicians and backstage crew of 'We Will Rock You' for a sensational whole-school production. We are so proud of our students who took part, and of all the teachers and support staff who have lived and breathed Queen songs for the last few months!

Sports Day on Thursday was another memorable event with hundreds of our students participating in track and field competitions. The students were a real credit to the school as they made their way to and from the track and we have had some very positive feedback from local residents.

Cultural Day today has been a real highlight of the school year so far. I have particularly enjoyed speaking to the students about their cultural heritage and must give a huge thank you to our families and carers who have supported the children to prepare such an amazingly diverse range of traditional clothing and food. This is only the very beginning of our Wider Opportunities programme - please take a few moments to read the section below about everything happening next week!

A reminder that school will finish for the summer holiday next Friday at 12:30pm. This day is also a non-uniform day and collections will be in support of charity Sickle Cell. Students who want to attend out of uniform will be able to make their £1.50 donation to their tutors next Wednesday and Thursday.

With all good wishes,

Eliot Wong, Headteacher

Elthorne Wider Opportunities Programme 17th and 18th July

17th July

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 12
Try Something New Day Attend at 10:10am	Residential Attend at 8:45am Other students - First Aid Attend at 10:45am	Places of Worship (ELTH) Next Steps (NORP) Attend at 8:40am	Work Experience	SMSC Conference Attend at 9:30am

18th July

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 12
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Dates For the Diary

Monday 17th July

Elthorne Wider Opportunities Day

Tuesday 18th July

Elthorne Wider Opportunities Day

Thursday 20th July

*Yr9 HPV 2nd dose Immunisations
Yr10 Thorpe Park Trip*

Friday 21st July

*End of Term -
School finishes at 12:30pm*

Thursday 17th August

Yr13 Results Day

Thursday 24th August

*Yr11 Results Day
Yr12 Enrolment*

Tuesday 5th September

School re-opens for students

Attendance and Punctuality

Regular attendance and good punctuality encourages responsible learning habits and prepares children for higher education and for their working life. We ask parents to ensure children attend school on each day the school is open for the pupils unless there is an 'authorisable' reason to be absent. Only the school can authorise an absence. If your child is unwell, please phone or email the school (Attendance@ephs.ealing.sch.uk) on each day of absence, with a reason for absence.

The school target for attendance is 96%. To put this in context, if your child falls below this target and has attendance of 95%, they will miss 10 days of school in a year, that is 2 full school weeks of your child's learning missed for that year.

Attendance last week (3rd to 7th July):

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 12
94% <i>(no change)</i>	95% <i>(up 3%)</i>	93% <i>(up 3%)</i>	94% <i>(up 4%)</i>	85% <i>(up 4%)</i>

Students should leave home with plenty of time to get to school on time. To put this in context, arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year. Lunchtime detentions are set when students arrive at school after 8:45 am. Parents/carers of students who are late to school in the morning will receive an email on each day that they are late in order to give parents the information they need to support their child more effectively to make the most of each school day.

Please note that authorised Medical and Dental appointments **do count** as absence on your child's record, although won't result in a late detention if the school has been informed with notice. You can support your child to improve their attendance by organising (where possible) all non-emergency medical/dental appointments outside of school hours.

Request for holidays during term time

Unfortunately we are unable to authorise holidays during term time. We understand that emergency situations may arise and if you wish to request a holiday due to an exceptional circumstance you should make a request to the Headteacher using the 'Request for leave during term time' form here. The local authority may choose to issue a fine for unauthorised holidays taken during term time.

Ms Jennings, Associate Assistant Headteacher - Attendance and Achievement**ParentPay Balance**

If your child is in Year 11 or Year 13 and has a balance on ParentPay, please email the finance department (finance.admin@ephs.ealing.sch.uk) for either a refund, or a transfer of the balance to a sibling. Please do this by the end of September. Any balances remaining after this date will stay with the school.

Uniform Shop Sumer Opening Dates

The opening dates and times for the uniform shop will be 22nd & 29th July from 11am to 1pm. August – 5th, 12th, 19th and 26nd from 11am to 12pm and the 2nd September from 11am to 12pm.

Finance Team**Student Academic Year
2022 - 2023****Summer Term 2023****Summer /1**Monday 17th April - Friday 26th May**Half-Term**Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June**Summer /2**Monday 5th June - Friday 21st July**Student Academic Year
2023 - 2024****Autumn Term 2023****Autumn/1**Tuesday 5th September - Wednesday 18th October**Half-Term**Thursday 19th October - Friday 27th October**Autumn/2**Monday 30th October - Wednesday 20th December**Christmas Holiday**Thursday 21st December - Friday 5th January**Spring Term 2024****Spring/1**Monday 8th January - Friday 9th February**Half-Term**Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February**Spring/2**Monday 19th February - Thursday 28th March**Easter Holiday**Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April**Thought of the Week**

“The most important thing is to try to do your best”
(Christian Eriksen)

News from Key Stage 3:**Year 7**

That's it - the Year 7s are about to finish their first year at Elthorne! I cannot believe it! I really say this too much, but it still does not feel like it is enough - I am SO proud of them. On the whole, they have shown excellent engagement in school and they have built such a strong sense of community. Tutors have also spoken so well of their forms and there is such a positive relationship between students and their teachers. As you know, these last few weeks have been so exciting and busy! This week, we engaged in Sports Day where year 7s demonstrated how united and how supportive of each other they are. I have to say, 7L (7Legends, as they labelled themselves) surprised us with their matching T-shirts! They looked absolutely AMAZING! We also ended the week with Culture Day. I went round the tutor groups and tasted such tasty food! Some tutor groups got up and started dancing together to some cultural music – it was such a joy to see and I can only hope that we manage to keep that enthusiasm as they officially step into the teens next year and where more exciting events will be planned. Talking of which, you may have read in the Year 8 section that they are getting ready for the Yr8 residential! We are also looking forward to planning our own next year and Ms Sugden, our Assistant Year Leader and trip leader for the residential, will be sharing information on this as soon as possible!

During our final week, we will be starting with Elthorne Wider Opportunities Day. There are a wide range of exciting activities on offer. On Tuesday, students will come in for Your Life You Choose sessions. Regarding uniform, students can come in their own clothes on Monday, but must come in full school uniform on Tuesday. As the summer holiday fast approaches, please remain vigilant of your child's use of social media and their interactions with peers. It is sad to say that the world is experiencing higher levels of cyberbullying, so I ask for your support in mitigating the risk of it occurring in our school. Today I will focus on the 2 form tutors who will be leaving our team this summer: Ms Brodermann and Ms Connelly. They have both been brilliant and I am sure that the students in their tutor groups will miss them very much. Thank you both for all your support and we all wish you the very best!

My Reyes and the Year 7 Team

Year 8

As we approach the end of Year 8 and we reflect on the year, there is a huge amount to celebrate and be thankful for. Firstly, we are sad to be saying goodbye to some of our tutors in Miss Geldard-Williams (8L) and Ms Edelenbos (8N). We have already celebrated the success of many of the year group in our achievements evening, and I was delighted to see so many students participate in sports day. The school show is always a highlight in the calendar and made even more spectacular by the huge numbers of Year 8 students performing and supporting. On top of all of these magnificent events we have also had the wonderful opportunity to share and celebrate each other's cultures in what was a wonderful, colourful celebration.

Students have worked so hard throughout the year and their determination and perseverance is soon to be recognised and reflected in their reports. It is always great to see the high number of students on or above track. We obviously still have a few more days to go and the residential to take place. Students have been informed of their kit list during tutor time and a letter was sent home recently. I am looking forward to seeing students in a new setting and the challenges they will face and overcome with the activities lined up. Finally a big thank you for your support as always, and we look forward to welcoming the students back as Year 9!!!

Mr Sykes and the Year 8 Team

Year 9

What a year it has been and there is still a week left! As a year group we have celebrated many achievements this year and I look forward to recapping these with the students next week in our celebration assembly. This week has been a busy one with many of our students taking part in both the school musical and sports day. As a year group we absolutely smashed EIGHT previous records at sports day, with 5 of our boys breaking the 100m sprint record, a record that has been in place for 9 years undefeated! A big shout out to Kayden E too who broke the year 9 boys record for the high jump 5 times over!

As I write this we are also celebrating culture day here at EPHS and it has been fantastic to see so many of our students dressing to represent themselves and their cultures as well as sharing music, food and stories. I am incredibly proud to be a part of such a diverse community and look forward to learning more about each of them.

As our final week approaches, just a reminder that we have our Elthorne Wider Opportunity days on Monday and Tuesday next week. Our year 9 students will be visiting a religious place of worship and learning more about careers. Please ensure that students are in their full and correct uniforms for these days and remember to order any missing items (like lanyards) before the term ends so that they are ready for September. A big thank you to you all for your support this academic year. It is hard to believe we will be in Year 10 when we return but we are all looking forward to the challenges that the new academic year will bring.

Have a great summer.

Ms Maddox and the Year 9 Team

School Uniform

A reminder that from September It will be compulsory for New Year 7's to wear our new PE Kit, which includes our new PE Polo shirt and Mid layer top. For more details please visit our website and On-line Uniform shop.

From the 9th May 2023 we will be increasing the cost of the school uniform. Over the last couple of years the prices have increased but we have absorbed these costs as we wanted to keep the price as low as possible. However, we have had another increase (due to factors such as an increase in price of raw materials, wages, energy), and so we are having to make small increases to our prices.

At Elthorne Park High School we expect all students to attend in full school uniform, each day. We would be grateful if parents can support the school, by spending some time over the Eater break discussing our policy with your child and checking that they have the correct uniform for school. Please find below a link to the school's uniform policy [here](#).

In particular, we remind parents of the importance of the following key uniform items:

- Lanyards and ID cards must be worn around the neck and be visible whilst on school site.
- White shirt with EPHS logo stitched into the collar.
- Burgundy jumper with EPHS logo stitched into jumper. School jumpers must be worn to school each day.
- Black polishable shoes or ankle length boots only.
- Plain black tailored uniform style trousers only.
- Plain black school uniform style skirt. Skirts should be knee length (on the knee) with no frills.
- If ears are pierced, only one small stud earring is permitted in each earlobe. Stud earrings must only be plain silver or gold.
- Cotton hooded tops, tracksuit tops or leisure wear **are not permitted in school**

Non-uniform items will be confiscated and passed on to your child's Year Leader.

Following consultation with stakeholders, the school will be slowly phasing out two older items of school PE uniform; replacing these with two more modern and hard wearing Items. Both new items will become compulsory items of PE uniform over a phased period of time.

To ensure there is no additional cost to parents, we will initially be introducing these two new items as part of the core PE uniform for our new year 7 intake only, joining us in September 2023. As stocks of the old PE uniform items become depleted, we will gradually ask parents across all year groups to replace old items with these new ones.

The two PE item changes will be as follows:

Old uniform item	New compulsory uniform item	Cost of new uniform item
White cotton PE T shirt with logo	Polo shirt - PE top Black and burgundy with the school logo.	£21 - £22 Size dependent
PE fleece top with school logo	Mid layer top - PE Black and burgundy with the school logo.	£26 - £31 Size dependent

As with all PE uniform items, these can be ordered using the link on the school website. Our policy also contains details of parents who may be entitled to financial support with school uniform and processes to follow.

School uniform orders, delivery and collection

Please note that school uniforms cannot be purchased directly from the uniform shop in the car park. Uniforms must be pre-ordered by parents and then collected. Uniform can be ordered on our [Uniform shop page](#).

Should there be either financial (entitlement to FSM) or medical barriers that prevent you replacing this item of uniform can you contact your child's Year Leader to see how the school might support with uniform replacement.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents for your continued support, ensuring we maintain high standards of school uniform, such an important part of school life.

Mr White, Deputy Headteacher

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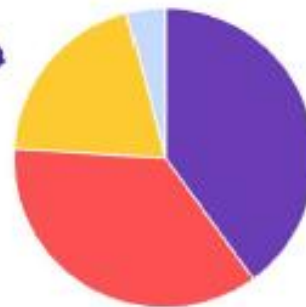
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Supporting Our Local Community**Anti-social behaviour**

A reminder that anyone can report anti-social behaviour via [this link](#) – it's quick easy and provides accurate in real time information and can support neighbourhood policing teams to look at trends/issues that may be problematic.

Summer Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

The HAF programme provides free holiday provision, including healthy food and enriching activities, for children and young people in school from reception to year 11 who reside in or attend school in Ealing and are in receipt of benefits-related free school meals (FSM), or who are vulnerable and would benefit from a HAF place. [Applications open on Monday 19th June 2023 at 9am and will close on Thursday 27th July 2023 at 12 noon.](#)

**Research into Mental Health and Wellbeing Support – University of West London**

We have been asked to take part in research for the University of West London in regards to support available for young people's mental health. The research will be undertaken most likely on zoom and times and dates will be decided on when is most convenient for yourself. If you are interested please read more below.

Mrs Brown, Associate Assistant Headteacher

TROUBLED CHILD? UNHAPPY YOUNG PERSON? SOMEONE NOT COPING WELL?

Parents and carers Could you help us to improve support for children and young people's mental health in Ealing?

The University of West London is carrying out research to identify the best way to support our children and young people, and we would like to talk to parents and carers in your school to find out what you think. Could you be part of two focus groups (most likely on Zoom) to share your thoughts? If you are interested and want to know more, contact Bronach Hughes at bronach.hughes@uwl.ac.uk

Student Immunisations - Reminders from the NHS

The summer holidays are a good opportunity to catch up on any outstanding vaccinations before children return to school and start mixing again. Vaccination rates have been falling in London, which was further exacerbated during the pandemic. We need to maintain a high level of vaccine uptake across the population to reduce the risk of outbreaks and the potentially serious impacts on children's health. Since February we have seen an increase in the number of cases of measles across North West London which may develop into life-threatening illnesses such as meningitis and pneumonia.

Booking a vaccine over the summer

Any young person in London who is not up to date with their routine childhood or teenage vaccinations can book one over the summer holidays. Your child can get their routine vaccinations at their GP surgery or via your local school age team. If your child has missed any vaccinations they can be caught up at any age. The NHS has also been contacting the parents of children who are not fully vaccinated to book an appointment at their GP practice or to access them at specialist community clinics in your local area. These will continue over the summer. Your local team is located at The Warren Health Centre on Uxbridge Road in Hayes. They can be contacted on 01895 485740.