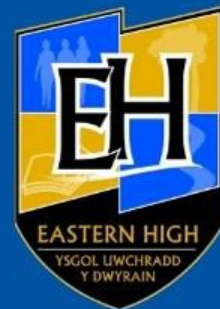


EASTERN HIGH

NEWSLETTER



APRIL 2023

Fond Farewells

Welcome to the Eastern High Newsletter for this term. Whilst the term has only been 5 weeks long we have packed a lot in including weekends away to Disneyland Paris and Llangrannog. You will see from the articles and pictures the wide range of activities that are on offer.

We say goodbye to two long standing members of staff at the end of this term. Our Art teacher Mr Prewett is leaving to work in a pupil referral unit in Newport. Mr Prewett has been teaching at Eastern and before that at Rumney for 17 years and has taught generations of students in this area.

Ms Cowan, Deputy Headteacher, is also leaving at the end of term. Ms Cowan has been key to the school's improvement over the last 8 years, particularly in the area of student welfare. She continues this work in her new role in the Vale of Glamorgan as Inclusion Manager. Ms Darch, House Support Officer for Ty Melyn is also leaving to take up a similar post at Whitchurch High School and Ms Hancock, who works in our Aspire provision is leaving to return to her previous role working in care. We wish them all well in the future.

We also welcome Mrs Rivers who is the new Food Technology teacher, replacing Ms Apps who you will remember left at half term.



YEAR 11

Careers Week was a great success. Over the course of the week, 16 guest speakers from different sectors came to talk to our Year 10 & 11 students and offer advice about how to get into the workforce.

Our Year 7, 8 & 9s had a unique set of lessons alongside an engaging career booklet that gave them ideas about potential future career paths.

We took our year 11 pupils out to see some amazing employers including CAVC, The Royal Navy and ICAT Aerospace in Barry.

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[Click for career advice](#)



EASTER REVISION SESSIONS

Date	AM	PM
Mon 3rd April		
Tues 4th April	Year 11 History, 9-11 JKC	BFO Welsh F8
Weds 5th April		
Thu 6th April	Year 10 English Lit - 10am - 1pm - KK	
Tue 11th April	Y11 Physics - 9:00-11:00 - SCL	Year 11 Chemistry - 11.15-1.15 - RBA
Weds 12th April	Y11 Maths 10-12 JMU WDA Y11 Textiles 9 - 3 GF G7	
Thu 13th April	Y11 Maths 10-12 JMU	
Fri 14th April	Y11 Maths 10-12 JMU	

Please be advised that Year 11 study leave will not be granted to pupils for this academic year.

This is in line with Local Authority and Welsh Government guidance. Due to the impact on education as a result of the pandemic, we feel it's best for pupils to have full access to lessons, staff and resources to support their learning in the lead up to their final exams.

Year 10
English every
Monday after
school

Year 11
English
every
Wednesday
after school

Year 10							
20th March	27th March	17th April	24th April	1st May	8th May	15th May	22nd May
Inset Day	Eric Birling	Gerald	The Inspector	Bank Holiday	Bank Holiday	Extract	Extract
Inset Day	RNC	MMA	CSA	Bank Holiday	Bank Holiday	KSA	JBA
Year 11							
22nd March	29th March	19th April	26th April	3rd May	10th May	17th May	24th May
Synthesis	Comparison	How does the writer	What Impressions	Article writing	Speech writing	Comparison	Synthesis
staff	MMA	KSA	RNC	MST*	CSA	MFL	JBA

Maths revision
every Monday
and Thursday
after school



After Easter, we are amending our reflect and rebuild sessions. We are introducing these changes so you can support your child and the school in following our culture for learning policy.

A reflect and rebuild detention will be issued for pupils not adhering to the school's culture for learning. Any reflect and rebuild detentions given are reported to you at the end of the day via the Classcharts App and the detention will take place the following day. Pupils will be asked to stay behind at the end of day from 30 minutes to 1 hour depending on the frequency/severity of their behaviour. These sessions start at 3pm. This advance notification will allow you to organise transport for your child to make their way home from their reflect and rebuild detention the next day.

REFLECT AND REBUILD CHANGES



From Monday, 17th April we will be amending the timing of the reflect and rebuild detentions as follows:

Amber detention

A restorative meeting
with the member of staff
or a 30 minute detention

Red detention

45 minutes
Multiple incidents
1 hour

**Failure to attend detentions during the week:
Internal exclusion until 4pm on the following Monday**

In order to receive notification of the detention, you must be using the ClassCharts Parents App. This system allows us to securely share information for your benefit, e.g. timetable, achievements and rewards, attendance, real time behaviour and the reflect and rebuild detentions.

Access to Classcharts

- Check Classcharts App is on your mobile phone (downloadable from Google Play or App Store. You can also access it via the web).
- If you have Classcharts, but forgotten how to login - please use the 'forgotten password' link.
- If you have never used Classcharts, please download the App and contact the school for your login details. We will also send you these the end of this term.
- Should you require any further information, please contact your child's Learning Family tutor.



Thank you for supporting our culture for learning policy.

EISTEDDFOD AND WORLD BOOK DAY

We had a blast celebrating the Eisteddfod and World Book Day this year! Staff dressed up as an array of book characters including our very own Cruella de Vil and Mary Poppins. Students displayed an array of talents at the Eisteddfod with awards for those who sang, read, wrote and danced!



Year 9 Having a Disaster

Year 9s were challenged to complete a Royal Navy 'Disaster Simulation' activity this term. They had to make a stretcher for a child casualty using found objects and then cross a minefield using only three safety mats!



Accessing eBooks Online

Every student at Eastern High has access to over 8000 digital books online. These books can be borrowed 24 hours a day and are perfect for reading at home or on the go using each site's mobile app.



ePlatform has lots of books you know and love, including Roald Dahl, Harry Potter, The Hunger Games, David Walliams books and lots more.

The books on MyOn are vibrant and engaging but also slightly shorter in length than ePlatform. Every book is also an audiobook, so you can listen along as you read!

Students must use their regular login format to access ePlatform.

Each students' username is their first initial, surname and the year they started. e.g. jbloggs21

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Their password for this resource is the first three letters of their username e.g. jbl



Our Trip to France



After a mammoth bus journey, we enjoyed a full day of thrilling rides at Disneyland Paris before we attended MathsLive! We heard talks from famous mathematicians – Bobby Seagull on prime numbers and cryptography, Dr Matt Pritchard on maths and magical illusion and Dr Josie Peters on algorithms and social media. When it was over, we had one last go on all the rides before getting back, tired, exhausted but so thankful for the amazing memories!



Year 7 Llangrannog Trip!

Our Year 7s had a thrilling time when they visited Llangrannog in West Wales for an action packed weekend this term.

There were lots of amazing activities for our Year 7s to try; from skiing to go-karting and climbing to quad biking. (There were a couple of late nights and midnight feasts that were enjoyed too!).

Llangrannog provided a unique opportunity for our learners to engage with the welsh language like never before!



SPORTING SUCCESS

Our Key Stage 4 girls football team made a couple of huge statements this term, knocking out both Cardiff High (4-1 in the quarter final) and Glantaff in the semi final of the Cardiff Cup. The semi-final was very even game with both teams having good chances but we ended up winning a tight match 1-0. The win puts the team into the final against Whitchurch. We're so proud of our KS4 girls after they knocked out two giants in one week. It's what our team deserved after their displays of hardwork and discipline kept two well drilled opposition teams at bay. On to the final we go!



Netball Victories and Reward Trip!

Our 9 squad beat St John's College 11-3 this term, with a few players from Year 8 stepping up and filling in for some of our Year 9 girls who were on the Paris trip.

Although our Year 9s had a comfortable win, St John's Year 10 team were a lot stronger. However our much depleted Eastern team also won that encounter 7-5.

As a reward, Ms Hurrell took the squads to watch a Celtic Dragons Netball Match against a team from Scotland. The girls involved were a credit to our school and enjoyed a tight match, with The Celtic Dragons losing at the very end by just 1 point!



5-a-side Performance

Our Year 8 & 9 boys performed really well in the Cardiff City 5-a-side tournament, playing a year up on the other teams involved. They finished the day as runners up losing narrowly losing in the final.

They were very disappointed to not have won but as they finished in the top two places they have been invited to the regional finals for another chance at glory.



SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Please could we ask for your support in the following areas after the Easter break:

MOBILE PHONES

These are not permitted to be used during the school day. If students are seen with their phone between 8am and 4pm, they will be confiscated and kept in a safe location until the end of the day, when they can be collected. To support the school in managing this, please could we ask that you do not contact your child during the day on their mobile phone. In the case of an emergency where you may want to contact your child urgently, please contact our reception team who will be more than happy to facilitate calls and will pass on a message accordingly.

ATTENDANCE

In order for pupils to perform their best academically, it is essential that they aim for their attendance to be at least 95%. Pupils who do not attend school frequently may fall behind with their work and be less likely to do well in their exams and assessments. In addition, those pupils who do not attend school for more than 5 days are at risk of a Fixed Penalty Fine from the Education Welfare Service. We offer a variety of support and guidance if you are experiencing difficulties in getting your child to school, please contact your child's Learning Family Tutor or House Team for further support.

UNIFORM

We encourage all of our pupils to be proud of their school and our uniform represents our school identity and House structure. We would be grateful if you could support us in ensuring that your child wears their school uniform. Please put your child's name on their uniform/coats/bags to prevent loss. Should you need support in purchasing a uniform, please inform your child's Learning Family Tutor.

Yr Ardd Heddwch The Peace Garden

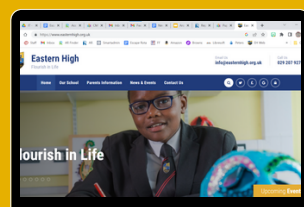
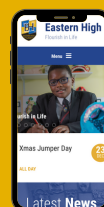
We are bringing the school nurture garden back to life this spring. If anyone has anything they could donate to the garden we would be very grateful, we're looking for:

pots	heavy duty sacks	hand pruners
plant food	aprons/overalls	insect houses
seeds trays	water sprayer	bird feeders
garden brush	camping stools/chairs	bird seed
brush and pan	wellington boots sizes 3 to 9	scissors
pot labels		



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IMPORTANT DATES



- **Monday 17th April** - All years return to school as normal
- **Thursday 27th April** - Year 7 parents evening
- **Monday 1st May** - Bank Holiday - school closed to pupils
- **Monday 8th May** - King's Coronation Bank Holiday - school closed to pupils
- **Weeks commencing 8th & 15th May** - Year 10 examinations
- **Monday 15th May - Monday 19th June** - GCSE examinations
- **Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June** - Half Term
- **Monday 26th June** - Inset day - school closed to pupils
- **Thursday 29th June** - Year 10 parents evening
- **Friday 30th June** - Sports day
- **Week commencing 3rd July** - Year 6 induction week
- **Friday 7th July** - Inset day - school closed to pupils
- **Friday 7th July** - Year 11 prom
- **Monday 10th July** - Inset day - school closed to pupils
- **Tuesday 18th July** - School trip day
- **Friday 21st July** - End of school year

See the timetable on [our website](#) for further details.

PREWETT'S GALLERY™

As we bid farewell to Mr Prewett, here's a selection of some of his best art work, as selected by the students at Eastern High.

