



The Charter School East Dulwich



Bulletin

Thursday 8th November, 2018

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Education Secretary visits TCSED

The Secretary of State for Education, the Right Honourable Damian Hinds MP, visited The Charter School East Dulwich on Wednesday and met with a group of students from Year 9.

Jason-Derreccce quizzed the Secretary of State on the key features of an effective education system. "Teachers," he responded, rather reassuringly. Anu asked Mr. Hinds how students could best cope with the mounting pressures of examinations. Mr. Hinds said that schools were much more humane places than when he was a student and much better at looking after student well-being. He acknowledged that exams were "stressy" but pointed out that managing stress was an important life skill.

Pia asked the Secretary of State for his views on fairness in the education sector, in particular the greater representation of students from independent schools at top universities. Mr. Hinds said that the current system was not yet as fair as it should be but that universities were getting better at spotting excellent students from all types of schools. "From the nature of this conversation," he said, "I expect that to include many of you."

The Secretary of State also met with the Headteacher, Mr. Crossman, and with Simon Tucker, the Chair of Governors, to talk about the school's experience of opening as part of the Free Schools Programme.

Mr. Hinds later tweeted his thanks to the students, adding: "best of luck with the move to the new building!"



Christmas performance

The School will be holding a Christmas performance on Thursday 13th December from 3pm. Students will be showcasing their talents in woodwind, orchestra, drama and other ensembles. Unfortunately, the School's relocation to its permanent site makes a full concert impractical this year.

A limited number of tickets will be available for parents on the Parents Evening Booking system from 3rd December.



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Year 8 Reward Trip

Year 8 students who have made the most progress this half-term and / or worked the hardest and do not usually get the opportunity to go to the theatre, will be taken to the Old Vic Theatre on **Tuesday 27th November** to see A Christmas Carol.

Parents of students who have been selected will be contacted next week.

Digital Wellbeing

Childnet International has produced guidance for parents and carers on looking after the digital wellbeing of children and young people, which you may find useful. The guidance includes having an awareness of how being online can make children and young people feel, and how they can look after themselves and others when online.

The guidance includes: age specific information for 3-7 year olds, 7-11 year olds, 11-14 year olds and 14-18 year olds, about how children and young people are interacting with the internet; top tips to support young people at this age; and ideas to help start a conversation about digital wellbeing. The guidance can be accessed via <https://tinyurl.com/Digital-Wellbeing>

Sustainable Schools Alliance

The School is now registered with the Sustainable Schools Alliance and will be undertaking some activities in the coming weeks to relaunch our Eco Team. More details will be coming up in future bulletins, but we would value parental and community involvement. If parents would like to encourage their child to get involved in this important initiative, please ask them to sign up on the Student Council notice-board.



The group will be doing things like:

- Monitoring air quality
- Learning how to make solar panels
- Creating a growing, green and edible environment and taking care of our existing trees
- Making an apple juice press and other fun stuff!

For more details, please contact Ms Daly: sdaly@chartereastdulwich.org.uk



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Sports Day

Well done to all the participants of last years Sports Day.



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Thank you, from The Friends of TCSED.