The Charter School East Dulwich

Newsletter Thursday 28th September, 2017



Forthcoming Dates

*Reminder school closes at 1pm today due to Open Day *

Autumn Term: 5th September—20th December (school closes at 1.10pm on 20th Dec)

Half term: 23rd Oct—3rd Nov

INSET days for staff: 2nd and 3rd Nov

<u>Open Days for 2018 Ad-</u> <u>missions:</u> Thursday 28th Sept (School will close to students at <u>1pm</u> on this days) And Tuesday 3rd Oct (school closes at 3pm on this day)

> Activities week for Year 7 W/C 16th Oct

December 13th—Yr 8 Trip to British Library

Enrichment: Please check our website for the full list, days and times of the clubs available.

CATS tests—Yr 7

Year 7 students have shown genuine maturity this week while sitting their cognitive ability tests (CATS). Teachers will use these internationally-recognised tests alongside students' SATS grades to inform the sort of work students will do in each lesson. Teachers will be forming a more independent assessment of how well students are working in each subject area during the second half of the Autumn term. The school will not be sharing CATS grades with students as these can easily be misinterpreted and lead to de-motivation. More considered base grades will be shared with students and parents at the end of the current term.

Enrichment Clubs

Most enrichment clubs are now well underway. Please be aware that some clubs are out-sourced to external providers due to the nature of their specialism. These clubs therefore require a termly or yearly payment, which will need to be paid before your child can access the club. Please make sure payments have been made on ParentPay by Friday 29th September. Most deadlines have already passed.

Lost Property

In the 17 days since term started we have a significant amount of lost property, the vast majority of which is not named. We regularly ask students to collect all lost items, please can you talk to your child to ensure that they collect all lost property from reception. Any unlabelled items not collected by **Friday 6**

October will be donated to the Friends of Charter School East Dulwich uniform exchange programme.

Year 7 Activities Week— W/C 16th October

A reminder that the last week of this half-term is Activities Week for Year 7. Activities include music and performing arts workshops, as well as an exciting day-trip to Bewl Water for team-building activities on the water. We ask parents for £50 (£35 for FSM students) contribution towards this week of activities. Payment for Activities Week can be made from today on ParentPay.



European Day of Languages

On Tuesday 26th September was the European Day of Languages. At lunchtime, we celebrated the wealth of European languages at our school with tasters delivered by some of our year 7s and 8s in French, Spanish, Danish, Finnish, Romanian, Italian, Slovakian, Bulgarian and Portuguese.