



# The Charter School East Dulwich



## Newsletter

Thursday 25th January, 2018

### Forthcoming Dates

#### Spring Term:

3rd Jan - 29th Mar

#### Southwark Orchestral

Playing Day

31st Jan

5:00 - 6:00pm

Cracking the Code: STEM  
trip to Science Museum for  
selected students

1st Feb

#### Half-Term:

12th Feb - 16th Feb

#### Enrichment:

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

*\*Please note: PiTS football and swimming club will resume as normal next week.\**

### Eco Schools Award

On Friday 19th January, the Eco Team spent the day developing ways to make our school more sustainable and environmentally friendly, leading us to be recognised for the Eco Schools Award <https://www.eco-schools.org.uk/>. They listened to their peers' views and produced some brilliant action plans, including growing vegetables in the playground, closer monitoring of our school's recycling and building bird boxes and feeders out of litter. They also visited our new school site and put some great questions to the contractors.

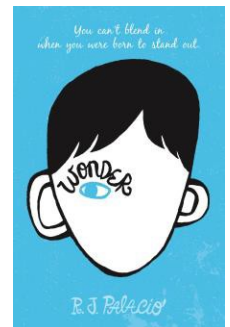
A very special thank you to Dr Alex Howard who has been working closely with the build of our new school, helping to get solar panels across much of the new school roof. Dr Howard is an expert in sustainability and the Eco Team was very grateful to him for sharing his expertise and also for organizing the new site visit with the contractors. Without him Eco Day would not have happened and we are indebted to his time and support for such a successful and productive first Eco Day.



### Drop Everything and Read!

As you will probably be aware, all students (and staff) now spend ten minutes of every afternoon reading silently. It is therefore a requirement that all students have a reading book with them every day.

Students from Year 7 and Year 8 have worked together to create the attached list, 'Fourteen Books to Read Before you're Fourteen', which provides recommendations for students who are looking for something new to read. Most of these books are available from the school library, which students can visit at break or lunchtime if they want to borrow a reading book.



### Cracking the Code:

Five teams are going to the **Cracking the Code** competition, which will be launching **Thursday 1st February** at the Science Museum. This nationwide competition challenges young people to design their own escape room by applying their creativity, use of maths and collaborative problem solving skills. Parents of those selected to attend will receive further information next week from Mr Shum.