

# **The Charter School**

**East Dulwich** 

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Use their first initial followed by their surname (no punctuation) @chartereastdulwich.org.uk

#### 'Lockdown Life' Poetry Competition Winners!

While school was closed, many of our KS3 students submitted entries to a lockdown poetry competition. There were so many great poems to choose from, and we were thrilled to hear that Harry Carter, Ruby Naik, Ros Kingcome, Violet Drabble, Olive Felstead and Zachary Symonds were selected to have their poems published in a book titled 'Lockdown Life'. All of these students will receive a free copy of the book in the coming weeks.

Mr Surridge, Subject Leader English.

#### **Arts Award**

Congratulations to the following students who received their Arts Bronze awards this term. Well done to you all for being our first school cohort to receive a nationally recognised Level 1 qualification!

Maya Collins-Johnson, Rosamund Turner, Iris Tunley, Jayden Singh, Anu Sule, Gemma Sanders, Chloe Balogun, Armand Gomez, Nina Davidson-Crimes Dot Cantlay

Ms Withers, Head of Creative Arts





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#### **Expectations after Half Term**

Students have now had seven weeks to transition back into school life, and most students have done so incredibly well. Most students have demonstrated a mature understanding of the need to pull together as a community in these difficult times. Please congratulate your children for their continued support of our Stay Safe Pledge, and their excellent engagement with lessons.

After half term, staff will have higher expectations in terms of uniform, punctuality and mask wearing. It is clear we are entering another challenging phase of the pandemic, and in order to keep our school open to all students, we must ensure our health and safety expectations are at their highest. Almost all of our students wear a mask as required. However, there are still too many students repeatedly failing to wear their mask around school, or bring one in each day. Students MUST all have a mask with them each day, and are expected to wear them as soon as they enter the building. Students who continually fail to adhere to this basic expectation, will receive a Red Card and Year Leaders will contact home.

May we remind you that students are not allowed to wear hoodies (apart from the school green PE hoody on PE days) and these will be confiscated at the gate.

As the weather worsens, no child should be without a suitable warm, waterproof coat. Jewellery, apart from one single stud in each ear, is also not allowed in school. Any necklaces, bracelets, rings or additional earrings will be confiscated and taken to Reception in hygienic envelopes for collection. Students are allowed to wear trainers to school on PE days ONLY. Students who attend school in trainers will be sent home to collect their proper school shoes, if they arrive without them.

Again, we would like to stress that the vast majority of our students arrive to school looking smart, in full school uniform, on time and eager to learn. We now hope all students arrive back, after their much needed break, ready to build on this already successful start.

Ms Hardy, Deputy Headteacher

#### **Student Council Restart**

Next term we will be relaunching the Student Council and looking for new and inspired candidates to represent their year groups and give Charter School East Dulwich's students a voice. The Student Council elections will tie in with Parliament Week and Student Councillors, once elected, will discuss and implement a range of policies including sustainability, equality and community action. We are looking for a diverse range of students to represent the Council so if your child is interested please encourage them to nominate themselves during Parliament Week next term.

Mr Clarke. Teacher of Mathematics & Student Voice Coordinator



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Christmas Holidays Mon 21 Dec - Fri 1 Jan 2021 The Charter School East Dulwich Virtual Sixth Form Q&A - 10 November (Year 11 only)

This Q&A is for our *current Year 11 students and their parents & carers only* and will be a virtual event due to Covid-19 restrictions on social distancing and large gatherings.

The event which will take place on Tuesday 10th November, 5 - 6 p.m., will be hosted by Ms Alexa Davies, Deputy Head Sixth Form. Year 11 Parents and carers should by now have received our email containing an *Eventbrite* link in order to register their place. (1 ticket per family.) Nearer to the date, they will receive a further link to access the online event itself.

#### Year 9 Virtual Options Event - Wednesday 4 November 6.30 p.m.

The Virtual Year 9 Options Event is designed to give parents a picture of the choices facing students in the coming weeks. Teachers will run through available options and how they can assist students in making the right choices for themselves. The event will take place on Zoom, with the opportunity for a short Q&A at the end of the session. Teachers can also be contacted via email for any further questions, and the event will be recorded and uploaded onto YouTube for any parents who are unable to attend 'live'

Ms Daly and Mr Owoh, Assistant Headteachers KS3 and KS4

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