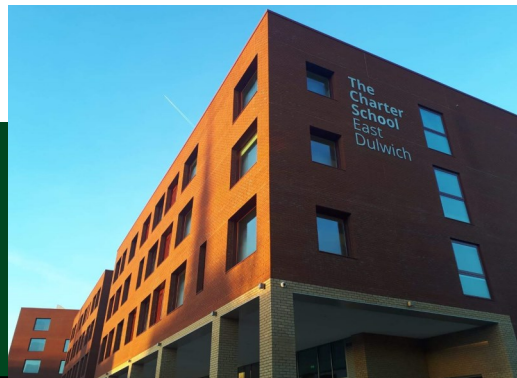




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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we near the end of our first half term I am excited to share with you the excellent work from students and staff over the term so far. The new academic year has brought about a range of changes at The Charter School East Dulwich, from opening our new Sixth form to less Covid restrictions and many new staff in the school. I have been extremely pleased with how our students have adapted to these changes, kept a positive outlook and embraced the learning in their new year groups and subjects. This newsletter showcases some of the different ways students have done this and how staff have supported them in their learning, wellbeing and personal development.

Two of our new school activities giving us all a chance to celebrate and connect together have been our new half termly Values Week and our Family Forum. This photo shows Jabari, one of our Year 11's receiving our top award for Values Week where students were given the opportunity to showcase their commitment to our school values of Creativity, Curiosity, Courage and Care and have the opportunity to win prizes. Both students and staff embraced the week and it was a great opportunity to see everyone working together. We ran our first Family Forum this week on the topics of Academic Progress Reporting and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion. We were pleased to have over 70 parents with us and to receive extremely helpful feedback and positive collaboration. The forums will continue to run each half term so I look forward to meeting with many more of you in future as we grow the school together.

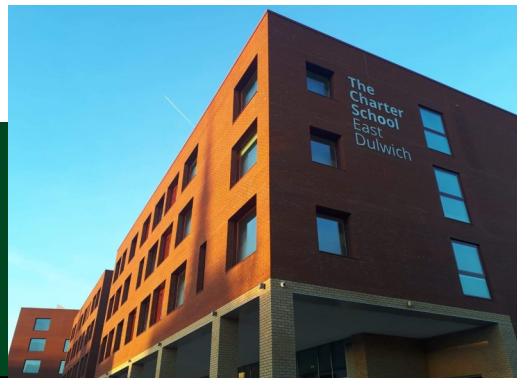
On behalf of all the staff at The Charter School East Dulwich I wish all our students and families a wonderful half term holiday break. I hope you enjoy reading the messages from our staff in this newsletter about the term so far, and a variety of information and guidance. I look forward to continuing to work with you to support our students over the coming year.

Best wishes, Ms Harbottle





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Black History Month

In celebration of Black History Month students across the whole school have been exploring an array of key historical events ranging from the Nubian Empire to the Haitian revolution. Students have been encouraged to share their heritage through exploring African and Caribbean home languages and all students have been invited to a film showing of 'Hidden Figures' which celebrates the achievements of the incredible Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan and Mary Jackson. Additionally, in music lessons, students have participated in Samba drumming workshops. Year 11 students Rofiat Gbajabamila and Leo Sioufi have led assemblies for other year groups presenting poetry by Maya Angelou and celebrating the work of key figures such as Lewis Latimer, who adapted the light-bulb.

Due to the half-term break, celebrations will continue into next month and on 3rd November, all Key Stage 4 students will take part in assemblies led by local African and Caribbean genealogist Paul Crooks (*pictured right*).

Furthermore, departments across the school have been using this month as an opportunity to review their curriculums and have been looking at where more Black history can be embedded into learning throughout the year. For example, the History department is ensuring that the Black Tudors are taught about explicitly, and the English department is showcasing more Black writers throughout all of its curriculums. The school also looks forward to celebrating more cultures of our community throughout the year.

Ms Anderson, PSHEE Lead



London Marathon

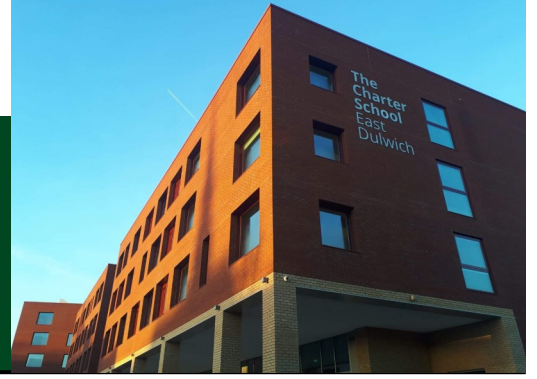
Jack Reynolds (English teacher and Head of Yr 10) took part in the London Marathon this year. Despite being a rather wet week, the rain broke for long enough and the nice weather made it a (marginally) more pleasant experience! Safe to say, he was grateful for his desk chair the following week...

Jack is raising money for a great charity called Horatio's Garden which creates nurturing gardens in NHS spinal injury centres to support people affected by spinal injury. If you'd like to and are able to donate, the fundraising link can be found [here](#)





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Year 11 Geography Trip to Seaford

The Geography department had the pleasure of taking Yr 11 on a coastal field visit to Seaford. The aim of this trip was to prepare students for Paper 2 of their GCSE, where students will be expected to answer questions which describe, explain and assess fieldwork processes. Year 11 students got to use a variety of primary research methods to investigate the impacts of coastal management on processes and the community. These techniques included conducting field sketches to understand how land is used in Seaford, questionnaires to understand local people's views and pebble analysis to understand the impacts of longshore drift. The Geography Team was very impressed with students' application of knowledge on the trip. Students were extremely conscious and polite on the trip, demonstrating care and curiosity. A fantastic time was had by all!



Ms D. Stanislaus, Subject Leader, Geography

Year 7 Bewl Water Trip

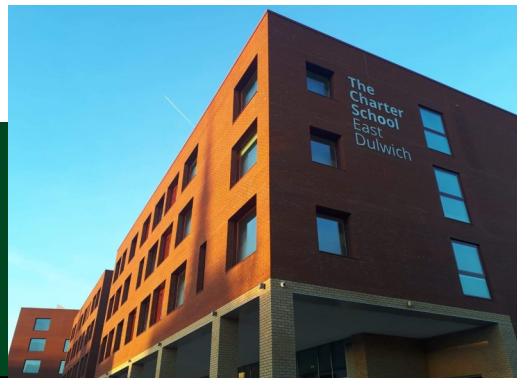
On the 4-5 October, our new Yr 7 students spent a day at Bewl Water in Kent, taking part in some activities designed to take them out of their comfort-zone and learn some new skills. The trip included canoeing, orienteering and a challenge course and saw students making new friends whilst having fun outside of the classroom! Check out some of the photos of their day below.



Ms Daly AHT/KS3 & Ms Blackwell HoY 7



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PE is back!

...and students and staff are over the moon. In our lessons, students are showing some great development in all areas physically, mentally and with key life skills. Sports Clubs are also back and we have had huge numbers of students signing up and participating, which is amazing to see. This term we have been fortunate enough to work with some incredible club links, for example, cycling club at Herne Hill Velodrome and tennis at North Dulwich Tennis Club with some extraordinary specialist coaches. With Clubs being back on this year, it also means matches and tournaments are back too. We have already started with Netball and football fixtures and we can already see potential for the teams to make incredible progress and succeed this year. Well done to all our students who have shown dedication and commitment to school sport.

Mr J. Hold, PE Department

Morrisons 'Good to Grow' vouchers

For every £10 you spend at Morrisons, you can donate 'grow tokens' to the school, which can be used to purchase gardening equipment. If you'd like to help, then download the Morrisons app; scan this when you do your shopping and choose to donate your tokens to TCSED. More info here: <https://my.morrisons.com/blog/community/good-to-grow/>

Thanks from Mr Harvey and The Eco-Team

Sixth Form Open Evening

Open Evening event for current Year 11 students & their parents/carers who are interested in joining The Charter School East Dulwich Sixth Form in September 2022. Registration is required. [click here](#) to register.

Ms Godfrey, Sixth Form Administrator

Adolescent self-harm: how to make sense of it and when to seek support Date: **Wednesday 20th October 2021, 5-6pm**

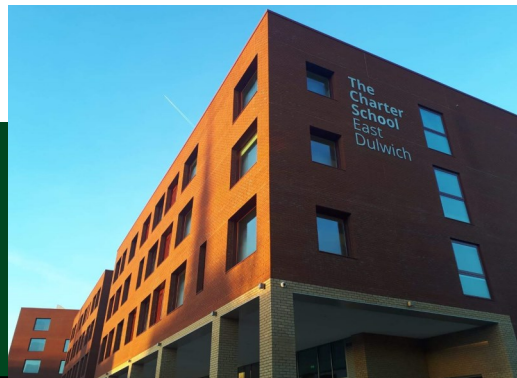
Adolescence brings about many challenges, including insecurity, self-consciousness, anxiety about one's own body, and peer pressure. It is not uncommon for teenagers to engage in some self-harmful behaviour for a period of time, for instance cutting, hair pulling or scratching. Understandably, these behaviours can be very concerning, distressing, and confusing for parents/carers. This webinar will provide an overview of the risk factors and methods of self-harm. It will explore the various reasons why young people may self-harm and offer ideas on how parents/carers can talk to and support their teens. Lastly, it will discuss instances of self-harmful behaviour that may require professional support. Places on this webinar won't be limited and there will be an opportunity to ask questions at the end. There is one remaining webinar for this series on self-harm on 20th October at 5-6pm – [here is the link](#) (Passcode: 039531)

Ms Hesse, School Counsellor





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News from The Friends of TCSED

Fun Run

Here are some of the photos from our Fun Run which took place on Sunday 11th July in Peckham Rye park.

The event was held jointly with Charter North Dulwich. 95 runners took part from both schools, with participants including Charter students, families and friends.



Communications and Volunteering

It has been great to meet some of you at recent events. Thank you to those who have joined our successful WhatsApp groups for years 7 and 10. We are hoping to run more events and WhatsApp groups soon. Follow us on [Twitter](#) or visit our Facebook page for news of these future appeals and our famous Charter East Dulwich Christmas Tree Sale.

We are also going to be recruiting for a number of roles to help us expand the ways in which we can support our school. Could you give some of your time and/or expertise? Please email the Friends if you would like to help support us as a volunteer: friends@chartereastdulwich.org.uk A quick way to help support the school right now is to sign up to our [Easy Fundraising](#). See you next term!

Are you receiving news about social events and fundraising for our school community from The Friends of The Charter School East Dulwich? Don't miss out: click on the link to subscribe and ensure you are kept up to date: https://mailchi.mp/0a340a114be9/join_friends_of_tcseid Please visit the Friends PTA events website for more information on Friends activities:

