

East Birmingham Network Academy

10th July 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: End of Summer 2024 term and Start of Autumn 2024 details

Firstly, I would like to thank you for your support this year, it really does make a difference. I am writing to update you on the arrangements for the end of this school year and the start of the 2024-25 year.

End of Summer Term 2024 arrangements:

Monday 15th July 2024: is our end of year Academic Review Day for all students. You will have received a separate letter with details of this day, but it is an opportunity for you to come into school with your child and meet your child’s form tutor to discuss their progress in all aspects of their education. At this meeting we will give you your child’s report for the year which will include information on their attendance, behaviour, rewards and academic achievement. Normal lessons will not take place on this day and your child is only expected to come in for their appointment which should last 20/30 minutes. Once completed they can return home. They do not need to wear uniform on this day.

Wednesday 17th July 2024: Whole School trip to Drayton Manor. Your child will have been given a letter regarding this trip separately. For students to be allowed to take part in this trip, they need to have had good behaviour and attendance in recent weeks and this needs to be maintained up to the trip itself. If your child’s recent behaviour/behaviour between now and the trip is not satisfactory, we reserve the right to remove them from the trip.

Friday 19th July 2024: Students will be dismissed from school for the summer holidays between 12.10pm and 12.30pm

Start of Autumn Term 2024 arrangements:

- Monday 2nd September 2024:** Staff Training Day
- Tuesday 3rd September 2024:** Staff Training Day
- Wednesday 4th September 2024:** Staff Training Day
- Thursday 5th September 2024:** School re-opens for all students

Day Timings:

As a reminder, the timings of the school day for Academic Year 2024-25 are:

<u>Monday – Thursday</u>	
<u>8.45am-9.00am</u>	<u>Form Time</u>
<u>9.00am-10.00am</u>	<u>Period 1</u>
<u>10.00am-11.00am</u>	<u>Period 2</u>
<u>11.00am-12.30pm</u>	<u>Period 3/Lunch (30 mins)</u>
<u>12.30pm-1.30pm</u>	<u>Period 4</u>
<u>1.30pm-2.30pm</u>	<u>Period 5</u>
<u>2.30pm-2.45pm</u>	<u>Form Time</u>

Please note Year 9 finish at 12.30pm on Thursdays

<u>Friday</u>	
<u>8.45am-9.00am</u>	<u>Form Time</u>
<u>9.00am-10.00am</u>	<u>Period 1</u>
<u>10.00am-11.00am</u>	<u>Period 2</u>
<u>11.00am-12.30pm</u>	<u>Period 3/Lunch (30 mins)</u>

Attendance and Punctuality:

All students are required to arrive at the Academy by 8.45am. If your child is unwell then you must telephone the Academy on 0121 2727020 before 9.00am to inform us that your child will be absent. If the line is busy, please leave a message. Your child will be considered late if they arrive **at school after 9.00am.** If your child arrives late to school with no valid reason for lateness, they will be issued a late detention.

Uniform:

It is important that your child arrives at school dressed appropriately and ready to learn. As a reminder the Academy uniform consists of:

- **Black EBN Jumper,**
- **Purple EBN Polo Shirt,**
- **Black School Trousers (Not Denim trousers/Chinos/Leggings or skirts)**
- **Black School shoes or Solid Black Trainers (No colour logos or motifs)**

If your child does not arrive in the correct uniform, then it is expected that they will borrow uniform in order to continue with their day. If they refuse to borrow uniform, they this may lead to an exclusion for a fixed period of time.

If you require additional polo shirts or jumpers for your child, this can be purchased directly from the Academy. Currently the cost of a polo shirt is £12. and the cost of a jumper is £15. Any changes to these costs across the year will be communicated with you.

Bus Passes:

Students will be issued with a bus pass when they return in September. Please note that if lost it will be the responsibility of the parent/carer to replace the bus pass. The cost of a replacement bus pass is £7.50. Any changes to these costs across the year will be communicated with you. New bus passes will be issued at the start of each term. Scratch card bus tickets will only be given to students **in the event of an emergency.** If a bus pass is lost it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to make arrangements for their child's travel to school until the new bus pass arrives. Please note bus passes for the year will be provided until the end of June 2024 for any Year 11 students and the end of July 2024 for all other students.

Vapes:

EBN Academy 2, like many other schools, has seen a recent spike in incidents involving student vaping. We take this issue very seriously due to the negative health effects vaping can have on our students. Vaping and being in possession of a vape is prohibited at EBN Academy 2. If a student is found in possession of a vape or is seen vaping either inside or within the vicinity of the school (immediately outside school, bus stops etc.), the vape will be confiscated and this will lead to an exclusion for a fixed period of time. Our goal is to partner with parents to help support our students in making positive decisions for themselves and their future. We encourage you to have a conversation with your child(ren) about this topic.

Leadership Change:

In line with my letter in June, this is a reminder that the Head Teacher role at EBN Academy 2 will be undertaken by Mrs. Karen Shearer from 1st September 2024. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and carers for their support while I have been in the role of Head Teacher of EBN Academy 2. Parental support is invaluable in helping us provide the best experience to your children and I know that you will ensure your ongoing support to Mrs. Shearer and the team moving forward.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your continued support in the 2024-25 academic year and wish you a peaceful summer break.

Yours Sincerely



Mr Matthew Baldwin
Executive Head Teacher