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# George Eliot Academy Parent Bulletin

7th March 2025



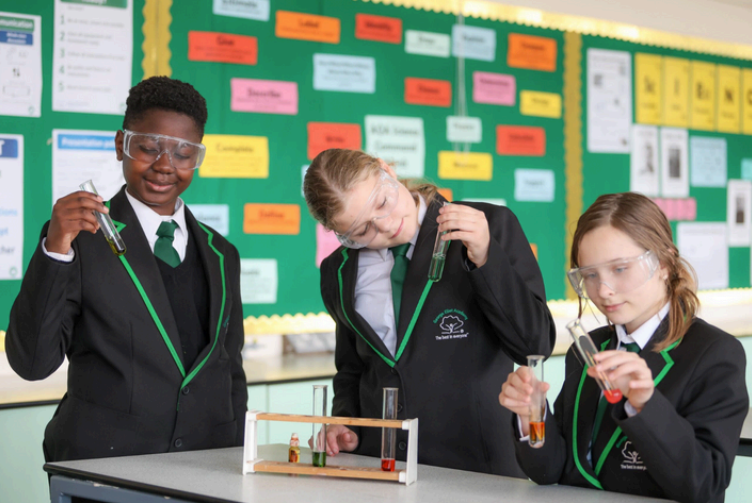
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# A message from our Assistant Principal

Dear families,

Firstly, a warm welcome back after our half-term break. I look forward to all the exciting plans we have going forward into the Summer term.

Our Year 11 pupils started their mock exams last week, with a fantastic start with both attendance and effort in all examinations so far. We are proud of our Year 11 pupils and wish them luck for the remainder of the mock period.

I am also incredibly proud of the resilience, strength, and achievements of SEND pupils at George Eliot Academy. They continually show us that with the right support and opportunities, they can excel in so many areas. Their determination and unique abilities are truly inspiring.

It is welcome news this year that the Education Committee Inquiry is currently taking place in the Government. In December 2024, the Education Committee launched a major inquiry titled "Solving the SEND Crisis," aiming to find solutions to challenges in SEND provision. The committee is seeking evidence and insights to inform potential reforms. Keep an eye out for that!

As we welcome the arrival of spring, we are reminded of the season of growth and renewal. Just as the world around us begins to bloom, so too do our pupils, showing incredible progress, resilience, and enthusiasm in all their learning endeavours.

This month, we also wish Ramadan Mubarak to all of our families and community that are celebrating. This period of reflection, gratitude and growth holds important messages for all of us and we support all of our pupils and families in this celebration.

We are incredibly grateful for the continuous support and dedication that our families provide. Your involvement in your child's education is truly invaluable and makes a significant impact on their success both in and out of the classroom. Together, we create a vibrant community where curiosity thrives and each pupil is encouraged to reach their full potential.

Wishing you all a season filled with joy, renewal, and new beginnings!

Richard Stevenson



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# Extra-curricular

## The George Eliot Academy Extra Curricular Timetable Spring Term

Day	Before School	Lunch Time	WHERE	WHO	TIME	Afterschool	WHERE	WHO	TIME
<b>Monday</b>	Breakfast club from 8am – South Hall – Free breakfast  Year 11 Study Room – S010	Diversity in History Club (Years 7-9) Silent study (All) History STARS - Exam support/Revision (Year 11) Geography Games Club - Geog Themed (Years 7-10) George Eliot Chamber Orchestra (All) Badminton (All) Debate Club (Years 7-9) Coursework intervention catering (Year 11) Maths Homework Support Club (All) SPARX reader (Years 7-9)  Chess Club (All)	M019 L001 M108 M103 S012 SH M102 S103/S114  L115 L002 S104	SOK JLT/DST/GLE KPA DCO/LWI KHE CEV SSM SMA SMI MAU  GMB	12:40 12:40 12:40 12:40 12:40 12:50-13-20 12.40-1 12:40-13:20 12.40 All lunch  All lunch	Drama & Performing arts (All) Boys Football (Year 7-8) Boys Football (Years 9-11) Girls Football (All) GCSE PE Intervention (Year 10-11) GEA Rock School (All) Coursework intervention catering (Year 11)  Book club (All)  Chemistry Practical club (All)	L016 Field Field Field S115 S012  S103/S114  L004  S104	SGD LPO SMR BCH JMO KHE  SMA  RH  EMA	3:10-4:30 3:10-4:30 3:10-4:30 3:10-4:30 3:10-4:00 3:10-4:00  3:10-4:00  3.10-4.00  
<b>Tuesday</b>	Breakfast club from 8am – South Hall – Free breakfast  Year 11 Study Room – S010	Silent Study (All) GCSE Music Lesson (Year 10) Girls Sports Club (All) Games club KS3 (All) Maths Homework Support Club (All) SPARX reader (Years 7-9) STEM Reading (All)	L001 S012 SH L009 L115 L002 S107	JLT/DST/GLE KHE/NDA CEV  LEL/JJO MAU SGI	12:40 12:40 12:50-13-20  12:40-13:20 All lunch All lunch	GCSE Computer Science (Year 10) GCSE Art (Year 11) Coursework intervention catering (Year 11)	L001 S209 S103/S114	GLE LDO SMA/ SSA	3:10 - 4pm 4:00-4:30
<b>Wednesday</b>	Breakfast club from 8am – South Hall – Free breakfast  Year 11 Study Room – S010	Silent study (All) Vox Anima - Upper school singing group (Year 9-11) Indoor Football (Year 10-11) Invite only - Coursework catch up (Year 11) Coursework intervention Catering (Year 11) Coursework intervention food prep (Year 11) Intervention drop-in support – science (Year 10-11) Intervention science (Year 11) School Garden Meet by sandwich doors at 12:45 (All) SPARX reader (Year 7-9)	L001 S012 SH L016 S103/S114 S107 S104 S204 Outside L002	JLT/DST/GLE KHE/NDA JMO SGD/RMA SMA SMA GMB POH  MAU	12:40 12:40 12:50-13-20 12:40  12:50-13:20 12:50-13:20 12:50-13:20 All lunch	Trampolining (All) GCSE Art and Photography (Year 11) Coursework intervention prep (Year 11) Coursework intervention catering (Year 11) Enquiring Scientists Club (All)  Latin (All)	SH S010 S103/S114  S103/S114  S106  L002	JMO LDO SMA  SMA  EMA and SGI MAU	3:10-4:30 4:00-4:30  3:10-4:00  3:10- 4:00
<b>Thursday</b>	Breakfast club from 8am – South Hall –	Silent study (All) The Performance Space - room for pupils to rehearse performances for a pupil audience (All) Basketball (Year 7-8)	L001 S012  SH	JLT/DST/GLE KHE/NDA  LPO	12:40 12:40  12:50-13-20	Rugby (All) Netball (All)  GCSE Art and photography (Year 10)	Field Netball Courts S010	LPO CEV  LDO	3:10=4:30 3:10-4:30  4:00-4:30

	Free breakfast  Year 11 Study Room – S010	Coursework intervention catering (Year 11) SPARX reader (Year 7-9)  STEM Reading (All)	S103/S114 L002  S104	SMA MAU  SGI	12:40 All lunch  All lunch	GCSE Music Lesson (Year 11) Coursework intervention catering (Year 10) Using electronics and programming to find creative solutions to problem solving (All)	S012 S103/S114  S102	KHE SMA  GMB	3:10-4:30  3:10-4:00
<b>Friday</b>	Breakfast club from 8am – South Hall – Free breakfast  Year 11 Study Room – S010	Silent study (All) History STARS - Exam support and revision (Year 10) Health and Social Care Catch Up (Year 10 and 11) Estrella Band - invite only Music band rehearsals (All) Basketball (Years 9-11) RE support and revision (Year 11) Coursework intervention catering (Year 11) SPARX reader (Year 7-9)  Chess club (All)	L001 M108 M101 S012 SH M102 S103/S114  L002 S104	JLT/DST/GLE KPa BHA KHE LPO SSM SMA MAU  GMB	12:40 12:40 12:40 12:40 12:50-13-20 12.50-13.20  All lunch  All lunch	Cricket (All)  Homework Club (Open to all subjects) (Year 9) Art club (Year 7/8/9) Vibrant Voices: School Choir (All) Maths GCSE Support (Year 11)  Lego building (All)	Sports Hall L001  S011 S012 L104  S206	CEV  GLE  LDO KHE CGI  MKE	3:10-4:30 3:10-4:00  3:10-4:00 3:10-4:00 15:10-16:00  15:10-16:00

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# British Science Week

7th - 16th March

British Science Week, run by the British Science Association, is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths, featuring entertaining and engaging events and activities across the UK for people of all ages.

For resources and activities: [Click here](#)

In school, we have a range of activities and competitions in and out of Science lessons. Keep an eye on the screens for more information.

## Lunch Time Events

**Daily Quizzes and Prizes to Win!!!**

Write up what you learnt for more chances to win!

**Monday:** RI Chemical Curiosities - Chemical changes S204

**Tuesday:** Climate Change - The Facts S204

**Thursday:** Shock and Awe - How electricity changed the world! S204

**BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK**  
7-16 March 2025

**Every lunch time!**

**CHANGE & ADAPT**  
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## Poster Competition

**Change and Adapt**

**BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK**  
7-16 March 2025

**The scientists from UCL need your help!**

Can you help them by coming up with a new idea or invention to improve the health of the air in our buildings?

Pick a pupil space. How could you improve the air quality?

**You will be judged on your:**

- Creativity in approach*
- Scientific content*
- Research content*
- Viability*
- Presentation and effective communication*

For more information head to the BSW website!


**Deadline:** 17th March 2025 - Hand to Miss Marsden

**There will be 5 Prizes:**

- 1x First Prize
- 1x Runner Up Prize
- 3x Highly commended

All will be entered into the national competition !





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# Haddon institute of performing arts

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Elle and Olivia of Haddon Institute of Performing Arts for hosting an interactive workshop with our Year 10 pupils. The session was insightful, inspiring, and engaging, giving our pupils a fantastic opportunity to explore the world of performing arts in a hands-on way.

It was truly amazing to see their creativity, confidence, and passion come to life! We look forward to working with Haddon again in the future and giving other year groups the chance to experience their expertise.

Thank you from Miss Suchak, Miss Giddings and the Year 10s.



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# Ramadan

Ramadan began on Friday 28th February.

During the month of Ramadan, Muslims won't eat or drink during the hours of daylight. This is called fasting. Ramadan remembers the month the Qur'an (the Muslim holy book) was first revealed to the Prophet Muhammad. The actual night that the Qur'an was revealed is a night known as Lailat ul-Qadr ('The Night of Power').

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar. The exact date of Ramadan changes every year. This is because Islam uses a calendar based on the cycles of the Moon. In 2025 in the UK, Ramadan will begin in the evening of Friday 28th February and will end on Sunday 30th March.

## How is Ramadan celebrated?

Most Muslims fast between dawn and sunset. Fasting allows Muslims to devote themselves to their faith. It is thought to teach self-discipline and reminds them of the suffering of the poor. However, children, pregnant women, elderly people and those who are ill or travelling don't have to fast.

During Ramadan, it is common to have one meal (known as the suhoor), just before dawn and another (known as the iftar), directly after sunset. Almost all Muslims try to give up bad habits during Ramadan. It is a time for prayer and good deeds. They will try to spend time with family and friends and help people in need.

Many Muslims will attempt to read the whole of the Qur'an at least once during Ramadan. They will also attend special services in Mosques during which the Qur'an is read.

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## Notices

Summer Showcase - we look forward to welcoming you all to support our pupils in their Spring Showcase: an evening of music and performance that will entertain the whole family.



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# Key Dates

**12th March:** Academy closes to pupils at 12.30pm

**14th March:** Staff training - Academy closes to pupils at 12.40pm

**13th March:** Spring Showcase

**17th March:** Inset day - Academy closed to all pupils

**27th March:** Year 11 Parents' Evening - face to face

**3rd April:** Bletchley Park trip for Year 9

**4th April:** DofE practice expedition

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