

The Basildon Upper Academy Newsletter

Dates for the Diary

National Vegetarian Week Monday 15th - Sunday 21st May 2023

Half Term Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June 2023

Pride Month June 2023

Year 10 & Year 12 AP2 Assessments Monday 26th - Friday 30th June 2023

Students of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded Student of the Week for week commencing 1st May 2023.

Year 10

Year 10 - Artur.K (R10Z2)

Year 11 - Ashton.W (R11E2)

Sixth Form - Jack.S (R1213)

Year 10 Complete Successful Work Experience Placements

Congratulations to our Year 10 students who have successfully completed their recent work experience placements.

During a two-week period, students were given the fantastic opportunity to work with professionals in a wide variety of industries. Placement providers included Abellio East Anglia, Carroll Insurance Group, City University of London, Falcon MOT Test Centre, Laing O'Rourke Construction, MB Capital Financial Services, Palmers Solicitors, Playmobil, Tesco and many Primary & Nursery Schools.

"I absolutely love it here. I really like taking part in activities with the residents." Slyvia.A (Elizabeth House Care Home).

"Bo-Starr has been involved in all areas, takes on instructions and carry's out all tasks asked of her. It's been a pleasure having her on the team." Abellio East Anglia employee

"Dylan worked really hard, was interested in all aspects of the business and worked well in a team." Blossom & Browne's Sycamore Launderers & Drycleaners employee.

"The people at my work placement are nice & they help me to understand the role they play in the children's lives." Rae.M

"I'm learning a lot & the staff here are really friendly." Mitchell.K (Falcon MOT Test Centre)

"The team I have been working with make me feel welcome. I have been learning about different types of insurance, which is really interesting." Aimee.P (Carrolls Insurance Group).



Student Value of the Term



Spotlight on: A Level Engineering



Learning about engineering design at A level strengthens learners' critical thinking and problem solving skills within a creative environment, enabling them to develop and make prototypes/products that solve real-world problems, considering their own and others' needs, wants, aspirations and values.

This A Level qualification requires learners to identify market needs and opportunities for new products, initiate and develop design solutions, and make and test prototypes/ products. Learners should acquire subject knowledge in engineering design, including how a product can be developed through the stages of prototyping, realisation and commercial manufacture.

Full course information can be found by visiting the following link on our website: <u>A Level Engineering</u>

Year 11 students wishing to join our Sixth Form can apply via the following link: <u>Apply to join</u>

House Points - Week Ending 5th May



Home Learning

If you have any queries regarding home learning, including access issues or, to celebrate the work your child has completed at home, please visit the <u>Contact Us</u> page via the Basildon Upper Academy website and select the option for General Enquiries.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding our students is at the forefront of everything we do. Parents and carers can access information via the following link <u>www.escb.co.uk</u> which offers guidance and signposts to resources on various safeguarding issues. Please contact our safeguarding officers if you have any concerns about your own child or another student at the Academies.

www.basildonupperacademy.org.uk/safeguarding

Free Online Counselling Service

www.kooth.com is a free, confidential, safe and anonymous way for young people, aged 11-26, to ask for help from a team of highly qualified and experienced counsellors and support workers.

Kooth is a well-established, award winning online counselling agency and is accredited by The British Association of Psychotherapy and Counselling (BACP).

Absence Procedures

To report a student absence please please visit the <u>Contact Us</u> page via the Basildon Upper Academy website and select the option for Attendance.

- Parents/carers should contact the school by 8.30am each day their child is absent.
- If no reason has been received for a child's absence, the Academy will initiate first day calling.
- Parents/carers must provide medical evidence to support all absences due to illness or medical appointments.
- Wherever possible parents/carers should make appointments outside of school hours but if this is unavoidable students should attend school before and after the appointment.
- If no appropriate medical evidence is provided then the Academies cannot authorise an absence. (ie. medical appointment card, prescription, doctor's letter.)

For further information and guidance regarding attendance and absence please visit our website: www.basildonupperacademy.org.uk/attendance





To celebrate Vegetarian Week, all vegetarian main meals will be £1



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