

Dates for the Diary

Year 8 AP Assessments

Tuesday 9th May - Friday 12th May 2023

National Vegetarian Week

Monday 15th - Sunday 21st May 2023

Year 9 Options Evening - Parent Consultation

Monday 22nd May: 4pm-5.30pm

Half Term

Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June 2023

Pride Month

June 2023

Student Value of the Term

**CLIMATE CHANGE
IS REAL**

House Points - Week Ending 5th May



27,223
HAWKING



27,006
ALI



26,832
AUSTEN



24,650
SEACOLE

Coronation Fayre

On Thursday 4th May, the Lower Academy hosted a wonderful charity event to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III.

Students and staff were joined by parents and families for a memorable afternoon of fun activities and entertainment. Live music from the school samba band entertained the crowd and the cast of Matilda Jr performed an extract from our upcoming school production.

Fundraising stalls were run by students, who had created royalty themed games for our guests to take part in. The fayre generated a sense of community atmosphere, with plenty of hot dogs and hot chocolate available to all guests with the chance to win great prizes in the raffle.

Well done to 'SEND' for winning the team challenge, raising a huge £114 on their sponge throwing stall. Form R8T2 were the highest Enrichment group fundraisers with £66.75.

The event raised over £700 for our chosen charity 'The Princes Trust', and we would like to thank everyone who contributed to making this event such a great success.

"The event was brilliant. Families came to have fun with us and there was a great atmosphere. There were lots of mini games where you could win prizes and it was good that all the money we raised will go to charity." Hanafi – Year 8



Attendance Expectations

There is a clear link between academic success and attendance and as such our expectations for attendance are that:

- Parents have a legal duty to ensure their child attends regularly.
- Students should have 100% attendance each year.
- Students with attendance below 95% are of concern.

Absence Procedures

To report a student absence please visit the [Contact Us](#) page via the Basildon Lower 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.basildonloweracademy.org.uk/attendance



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 [Contact Us](#) page via the Basildon Lower Academy website and select the option for Home Learning/Homework.

Student Nurse Drop In

If students are worried about their health, would like a confidential chat or would just like to find out more about how our school nurse can help them, the nurse can be found:

Every Thursday Breaktime

Location: The Lower Academy Wellbeing Centre



Uniform Exchange Scheme

If you have uniform that your child has outgrown, please bring it in and see if there is something in the exchange shop that has been donated that you can simply swap your item for. We are still gratefully receiving donations of blazers, shirts, trousers and PE kits that are in pre-loved condition and these can be donated via the reception office on either site.

Please remember, the Uniform Exchange shop is located at the Lower Academy, is open from 8am – 3:30pm Monday – Friday and is accessible via the school office.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding our students is at the forefront of everything we do. Parents and carers can access information via the following link www.escb.co.uk 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.basildonloweracademy.org.uk/safeguarding

SEND Department Coffee Afternoons

We are delighted to offer our parents/carers the opportunity to meet with members of our SEND Department to discuss your child's progress. Coffee afternoons are held at the Lower Academy from 2:30 - 3:30pm every Wednesday.

To book an appointment please visit the [Contact Us](#) page via the Basildon Lower Academy website and select the option for General Enquiries.

Year 8 Football Team Win District Plate Final

Congratulations to our Year 8 Football team for winning the District Plate Final, beating De La Salle School 5-1.



Year 7 Students of the Week

English Scholar of the Week	Tyler M
Historian of the Week	Laura S
Chef of the Week	Archie P
Engineer of the Week	Sofia D
RSHE champion of the week	Anuoluwapo O

Year 8 Students of the Week




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Scientist



GEOGRAPHY



English Scholar of the Week	Aswin S
Scientist of the Week	Connor H, Reggie D & Ryan L
Sporting Legend of the Week	Kai M
Historian of the Week	Hayden R
Geography Genius of the Week	Cadence K
RE Expert of the Week	Harry R
Chef of the Week	Layla W
French Linguist of the Week	Christopher T
Artist of the Week	Madison E
Performer of the Week	Lavinia G




Year 9 Students of the Week

English Scholar of the Week	Bobbie S
Historian of the Week	Kieran H
Chef of the Week	Meenaxi V
French Linguist of the Week	Edy S



National Vegetarian Week

15 -21 May 2023

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



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