

## Prospective Year 6 & Year 12 Open Evening

We are delighted to open both of our Academy sites to parents, carers and students on 6<sup>th</sup> October. This will be an opportunity for current Year 6 students to tour the Lower Academy and meet with key staff about what transition into Year 7 will look like in September 2023.

If you would like an opportunity to visit the Lower Academy during a school day, and to meet with our Head of School, then please call our reception team on **01268 552536** to book an Open Morning appointment.

A complimentary bus will be available for any of our visitors wishing to visit our Upper Academy.



## Dates for the Diary

### Settling Event

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022: 4pm - 5pm

### First Aid Day

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Lower Academy Year 6 Open Evening

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022: 5pm - 7pm

### Upper Academy Sixth Form Open Evening

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022: 5pm - 7pm

### Literacy & Numeracy Information Event

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022: 5pm - 7pm

### Half Term

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

## 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](http://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.basildonacademies.org.uk/safeguarding](http://www.basildonacademies.org.uk/safeguarding)

## 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 email: [remotelarning@basildonacademies.org.uk](mailto:remotelarning@basildonacademies.org.uk)

## Black History Month - October 2022

# BIM2022

DIG DEEP, LOOK CLOSER, THINK BIGGER

## Student Value of the Term

# BLACK LIVES MATTER

## Netball Tournament

Congratulations to our Lower Academy Netball team who recently competed in a district netball rally tournament at The Billericay School.



## Students receive Jack Petchey achievement awards

Congratulations to academy students who have been honoured by the Jack Petchey Foundation during a recent awards ceremony at the Towngate Theatre. The prestigious awards were presented to students from Basildon schools who had been nominated in recognition of either a major achievement, notable progress or by overcoming difficulty.

Our Lower and Upper Academy students were presented with individual Outstanding Achiever award medallions and framed certificates.

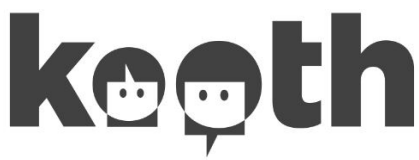
During the event, our Lower Academy Choir performed 'A Million Dreams' from the Greatest Showman.



## Free Online Counselling Service

[www.kooth.com](http://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).



## School 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



## House Points - Week Ending 30<sup>th</sup> September



3,939

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3,608

HAWKING



3,424

SEACOLE

## Follow us on social media





# PARENT & CARER EVENTS - OCTOBER 2022

## Settling Event: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 4-5pm

Parents and carers can make an appointment to see a member of our Academy staff to discuss how their child is settling in and to raise any queries or concerns you may have as we start this Academic Year. We can also provide tours of our facilities.

Please do contact our Academy reception team either via the contact us page (General Enquires) [The Basildon Academies - Contact Us](#) or via phone [01268 552536](tel:01268552536) to make your appointment. If you would particularly like to meet with a member of our SEND, Safeguarding or Attendance Teams please make that clear in your request.

## Year 7, 8 & 9 Reading & Numeracy Information Event: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 4-5pm

Parents & carers are invited the Lower Academy hall to meet with our dedicated Numeracy and Reading teaching teams who will give a talk regarding what students learn at the Lower Academy, how to support their Reading and Numeracy at home and how we then assess for progress. There will also be plenty of resources for you to take away!

Please do come along and bring any questions you may have regarding this crucial area of the curriculum. Students continuing to develop these foundation skills learnt in primary school is a cornerstone of later success in GCSE assessments in Key Stage 4.



Every Monday the weekly student briefing has content based on UNICEF UK's Article of the Week. Students spoke knowledgeably about why some children are unable to access their rights, mentioning challenges resulting from climate change, the impact of war and the consequences of fast fashion. "Some governments don't allow every child to access free education ...or lots of their other rights too." mentioned one student.

*Unicef RRSR Accreditation Report Gold: Rights Aware - July 2022*

## Absence Procedures

To report a student absence please email: [attendance@basildonacademies.org.uk](mailto:attendance@basildonacademies.org.uk)

- 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.)

## Wellbeing

The schools approaches to SEND provision and managing behaviour have been adapted to be consistent with the underlying principles of supporting wellbeing first. This is reflected in the schools' policies and the practice seen across both sites.



Wellbeing Award  
for Schools

2022-2025

## Year 8 Football Team





To celebrate Black History Month, each Wednesday in October we will be serving authentic dishes in the Dining Hall

Dishes for Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October:



*Jerk Chicken*



*Southern Style Mac & Cheese*



*Key Lime Pie*