



**Ernest Bevin Academy**

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**Newsletter**



Summer Term | Friday 30th June 2023



It has been yet another bustling month at EBA. We have recently wrapped up our final exams, and on behalf of the entire staff, I would like to extend heartfelt congratulations to all our exceptional students who have successfully completed their exams.

At the end of June, our Year 12 students eagerly embarked on a week of Work Experience. During this period, they have a valuable opportunity to explore different professional environments, gain practical skills, and develop a deeper understanding of various career paths. Engaging in real-world settings allows them to apply their classroom knowledge and discover their passions.

We resumed Principal's breakfast this week and our theme was Kindness. Kindness at EBA plays a pivotal role in creating a compassionate and inclusive school culture. It involves acts of empathy, respect and support amongst students, staff and the wider community. Encouraging kindness nurtures positive relationships, reduces bullying, and enhances overall well-being.

As our Year 11s and Year 13s move on to the next stage of their careers, we reflect on the incredible journey they have undertaken during their time with us. These students have grown both academically and personally, leaving an indelible mark on our school community. We are immensely proud of their achievements and wish them continued success as they embark on new chapters in their lives. The memories shared and the bonds formed will forever be cherished, and we eagerly anticipate the bright futures that await them.

At the end of July, we will be having Enrichment Week. Our students will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in a diverse range of activities designed to broaden their horizons and foster personal growth.

Ms Dohel  
Principal

## Key Dates

**6th July - Summer Showcase (all welcome)**  
**7th July - Year 13 Graduation**  
**13th July - Awards Evening**  
**14th July to 21st July - Enrichment programme**  
**(further information will be provided next week)**  
**17th July - Year 9 Graduation**  
**21st July - Last day of term, students will be dismissed at 12.30pm**

## Principal's Breakfast This Month



Theme: Kindness

# School News

## EBA Reading List - Newly Added

We are thrilled to introduce our new collection of KS4+ reading books in the library, expanding the literary horizons of our students and fostering a love for reading. This carefully crated selection offers a diverse range of genres, captivating narratives and thought-provoking themes that will engage and inspire our young minds.

If you have any ideas for new books, please get in contact with Mr Divac.



### WANTED COSTUME / PROPS

If you have any of the items listed below, please contact the school and ask to speak to Mr Kilner.

- Rugs
- Hats
- Cardigans
- Jackets/coats
- Small dining Table / Chairs
- Brooms Sticks (No head)
- Broken vacuums
- Old telephone handsets (corded or cordless)
- Sunglasses
- Umbrellas
- Rolls of fabric - any colour

### Pre loved Uniform online shop is now open!

As the end of the academic year approaches, we kindly ask you to consider donating good-quality, clean uniforms. This act not only promotes sustainability and waste reduction but also helps alleviate the financial burdens faced by families.

Our online shop can now be accessed through ParentMail. To see all the

items available to purchase please go to ParentMail, Payment, then Shop.

All money raised from second hand uniform sales will be used to buy books and equipment that directly benefit the students.

Please donate uniform via the collection drum in reception or ask your son to bring the uniform items into the main office.

Everything from ties to PE tops are welcome!

# Sixth Form Open Evening

On Thursday 22nd June, EBA Sixth Form hosted an open evening. It was an evening filled with enthusiasm, engagement and a strong sense of community as prospective students and their families gathered to learn more about the exciting opportunities available in our Sixth Form.

Throughout the evening, attendees had the opportunity to explore our facilities, including well-equipped classrooms, and dedicated study spaces. They also had the chance to see the exceptional work produced by our current Sixth Form students, with impressive displays showcasing their academic achievements and extracurricular accomplishments.

Our visitors also had the chance to engage with our current Sixth Form students, who willingly shared their own journeys, offering invaluable advice and perspectives on life in our vibrant and inclusive community.

A massive thank you to staff and Year 12 students who helped at this event.



# Year 11 News

Our current outgoing Year 11 Yellow Ties have some welcoming messages to our incoming Year 7 Yellow Ties.



## Fayiz, Jasper, Sivaindran, Abubakar, Shanthoos and Saqib

I am a current Year 11 and a Yellow Tie. As you are the new Yellow Tie, you need to understand that we are the best tie! This school is extremely fun, and teachers are great. You will learn a lot of important subjects and you will be able to easily pass your exams if you pay attention. Make sure to keep the legacy of the Yellow Ties and make friends too.

Jasper

Hello!

This is my experience and how I faced tough challenges and how you can manage to do the same. I was in the same position as you and I felt the same...nervous, fear of making new friends and more. Don't worry! You are the men of the future, and you are the people who are going to bring change.

Be as bright as stars but as tough as rhinos and don't be afraid to face challenges ahead. Indeed, these challenges will toughen you and help you grow. Do this and success will come knocking at your door. That is exactly what I did, and I hope you can take my experience as a lesson. Be the best you can be and always strive to better yourselves.

Abubakar

Hello,

I am Fayiz. I remember when I joined EBA in Year 7. I was scared and worried but excited at the same time I just want to welcome you. Your first day might be scary but you will enjoy the next 5 years. Sure, you will have bad days but most of the time you will have the best time of your life here. Life is made of ups and downs. My top tips for you all is 'walk, don't run on the stairs, do your homework and be nice to one another'

From an old Yellow Tie to a new one!

Welcome to Ernest Bevin Academy, future Yellow Ties!

Ernest Bevin is a place full of passion and creativity. I can assure you that you will have memorable moments, which will stick with you forever. Times may get tough but thanks to the wonderful staff team, you will learn a lot and have fun. The staff here will guide you and teach you valuable experiences, which will help you in your future life and career. Keep up the legacy for Yellow Ties!

Shanthoos

Hello,

I am Saqib. I am a Yellow Tie and am welcoming you to Ernest Bevin Academy. You are going to be a Yellow Tie as well, the best tie ever!

Ernest Bevin is the place to be. We have a massive swimming pool, and you can learn many subjects. There will be times when you find things difficult, but you need to speak to members of staff to support you and then you will get through it. Make sure to behave and just enjoy the next 5 years.

From a former Yellow Tie!

Welcome to Bevin future Yellow Ties, and I know this may at first seem like a scary experience; going to a huge new building, being surrounded by people you've never met before, and taking part in activities and clubs you've never done before. But, after spending nearly half a decade here I can assure you, this scary building will become like a second home, these random strangers will become your closest friends for life, and you'll find your favourite hobbies by joining the clubs at this school which are all free. So, my advice to you all is just don't be afraid, sure you'll make a lot of mistakes (everyone does), but you'll learn from them; so just don't be afraid and try to have as many new experiences as possible. I hope you have a great time in this school, just as I have, and me and my year group pass the Yellow Tie legacy to you. And no matter what remember Yellow Ties are the best.

Yours Sincerely,  
Sivaindran

# Year 11 Graduation

On Friday 23rd June, Yellow Ties celebrated the end of secondary school with their graduation ceremony.

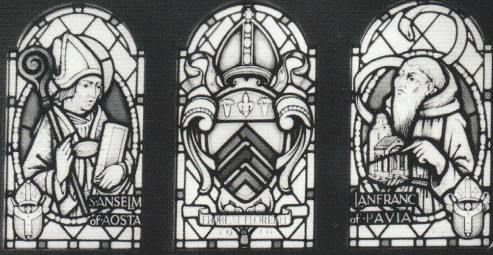
They were welcomed up on stage by Mr Kilner and form tutors to receive their yearbook and certificate of completion. After the main ceremony, which combined music and some amazing speeches from the Yellow Tie prefects, students were able to enjoy conversations with their friends and teachers whilst demolishing the buffet table and huddling together for photos to be taken using the Pixi Pod.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all Yellow Ties well in their future, whether they are returning to EBA Sixth Form or moving on to pastures new. We look forward to seeing them all on GCSE results day on Thursday 24th August.



# EBA History

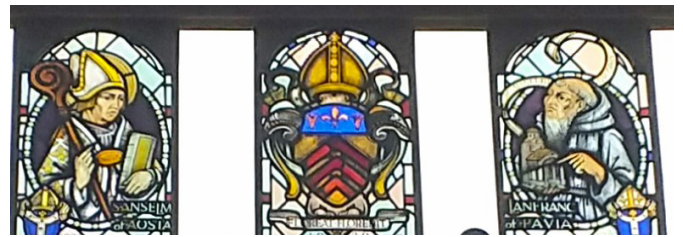
1953



John Hayward was a 20th Century stained glass artist. Born in Tooting in 1929, he attended to Bec Grammar School (now Ernest Academy) on Beechcroft Road. Inspired by his art teacher, Jack Elvin, he studied at St Martins School of Art.

In the 1950s, John Hayward designed and gifted three windows for Bec Grammar. These windows were originally installed above the entrance to Bec Grammar School.

They are now mounted above the entrance to Ernest Bevin Academy.



Although we weren't able to recreate the exact photo from 1953, the boys had fun getting as close as they could to the famous stained glass

**Thank you**  
**Year 7 - Harry and Krushan**  
**Year 8 - Mjnari and Pratharshan**  
**Year 9 - Wiktor and Kamran**

2023

# CCF

Sixteen students from EBA participated in a Royal Marines CCF camp this term. As part of their preparation for the camp, CCF members underwent a rigorous water survival skills assessment last week, including a Combat Swim test. During this test, the cadets had to swim 50m without touching the floor and then tread water for a specific duration, all while wearing their full uniform. Additionally, they were required to jump into the pool with webbing and a weapon, followed by independently exiting the pool. I am pleased to announce that all participants successfully completed the test. Well done, boys! Your dedication and achievement are commendable.



# Community Work - Years 5 & 6 Visits

*We've had a busy month with school visits and our EBA summer events.*

Our primary school visitors engaged their engineering skills by working on bridge construction in Design and Technology (DT), savoured their homemade cookies in Food Technology, explored acids and alkalis in Science, learned the techniques of rolls and crawls in a Judo lesson and embraced the spirit of teamwork in volleyball.

For our Saturday events, our participants sharpened their coordination, communication, and leadership abilities, gained valuable skills that extend far beyond the field in football and refined their culinary prowess with their cooking skills in our baking and pizza making sessions.

A big thank you to all staff who helped make these days a big success, and to Ms Dorcely for organising



**Great fun for all experiencing life as a EBA student**







**Learning new skills and forging friendships**



# Fundraising



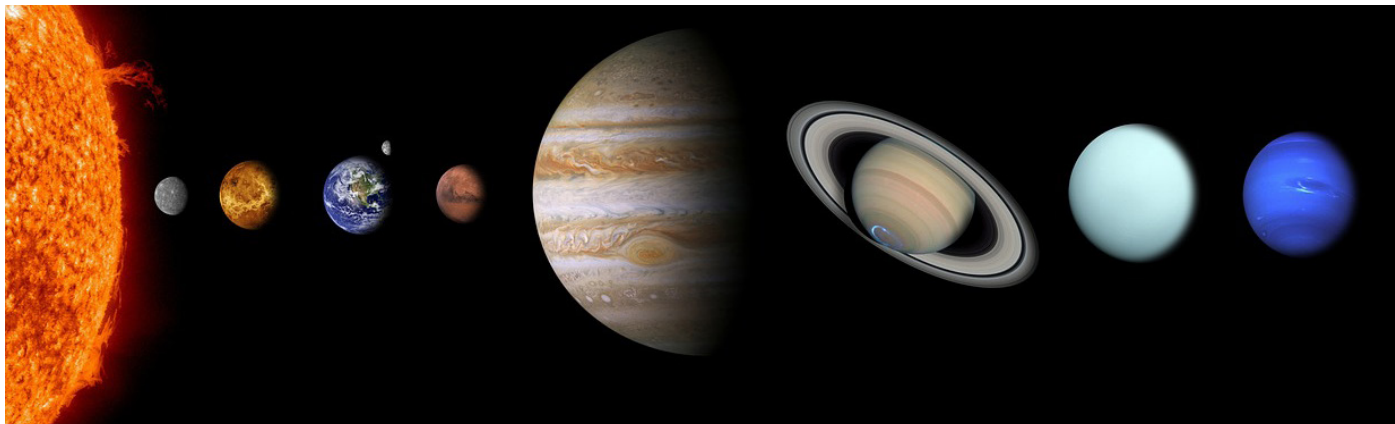
## Easyfundraising

We are now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can help us for FREE. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! All you need to do is sign up and remember to use easyfundraising whenever you shop online. It's easy and completely FREE! These donations really mount up, so please sign up to support us here [link](#)

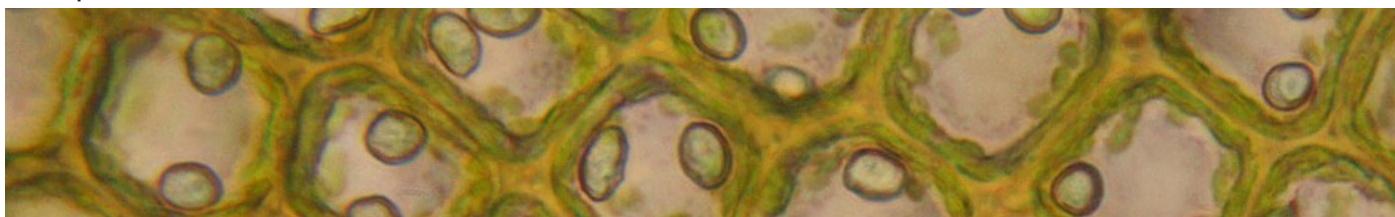


# Curriculum Spotlight - Science

Year 7 – In their final few weeks of Science in Year 7, students will be learning about Space! A much loved topic by all students during which they will explore the answers to questions such as: where is the Earth in space? What makes up our solar system? What causes our days, years and seasons? Students will finish by linking their learning to where elements are made, and how ultimately that makes us all stardust.



Year 9 – Students have finished their end of year assessments and are now starting their GCSE content! They are starting with the Topic 'Cell Biology,' which looks at the structure and different types. They will be looking at cells with a microscope and understanding how substances are transported into and out of cells.



Year 8 – This summer term there is a focus on scientists from different ethnicities, religions and sex. This allows students to be inspired by scientists who share their same background and ethnicity, and to study women's contribution in science too.

Currently students are studying the contributions of Musa Jabir Ibn Hayyan (72 - 815 AD) who is known as the father of Arab chemistry and a founder in modern pharmacy.

Later on, in the term, students will have the opportunity to research and present their own chosen key figure in Science to the class and teach others about a scientist who is of interest to them.



Year 10 – Students have finished their end of year assessments and are continuing with the GCSE syllabus. Students will be studying the topics 'Ecology' and 'Rates of reaction' until the end of the year.

Year 12 – Our students are focussing on developing their investigation and practical skills until the summer holidays.

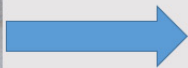
# Year 10 class experiment

## Obtaining a soluble salt by Crystallising Salt Solutions



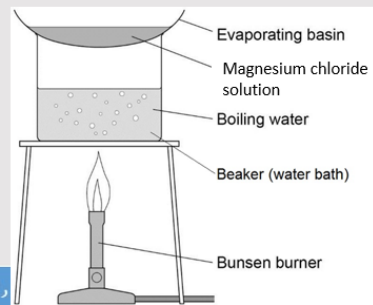
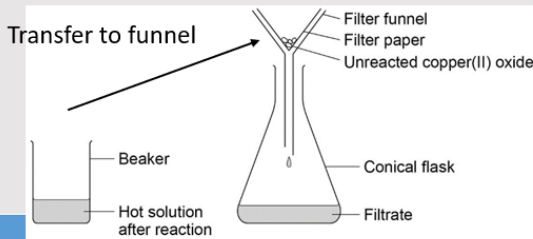
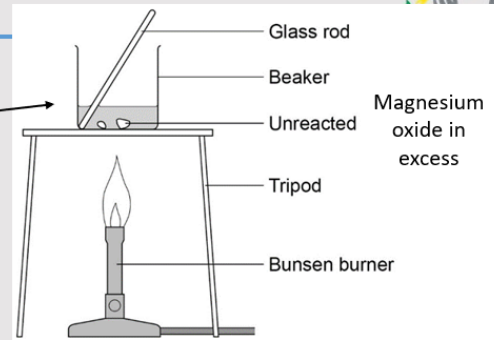
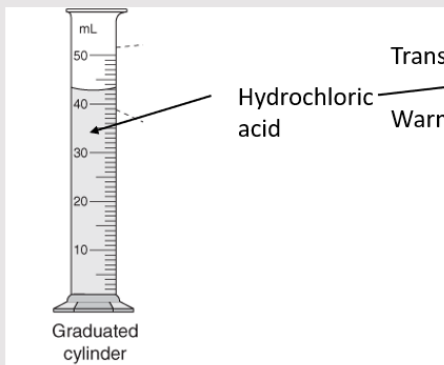
Learning Journey
Do Now
<b>I do/ Model</b>
We do/ Practice together
You do/ Independent practice
Exit Ticket/ checking your understanding

How do you think we can extract a pure, dry sample of soluble salts from a solution?



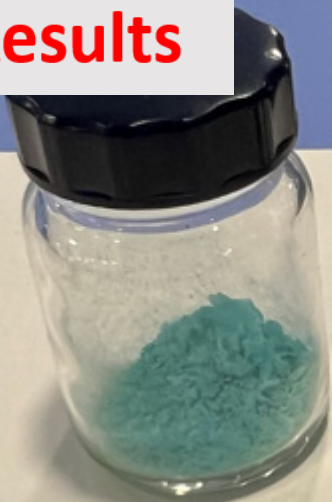
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### Making salts : pictures

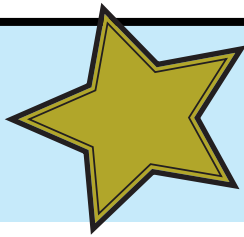
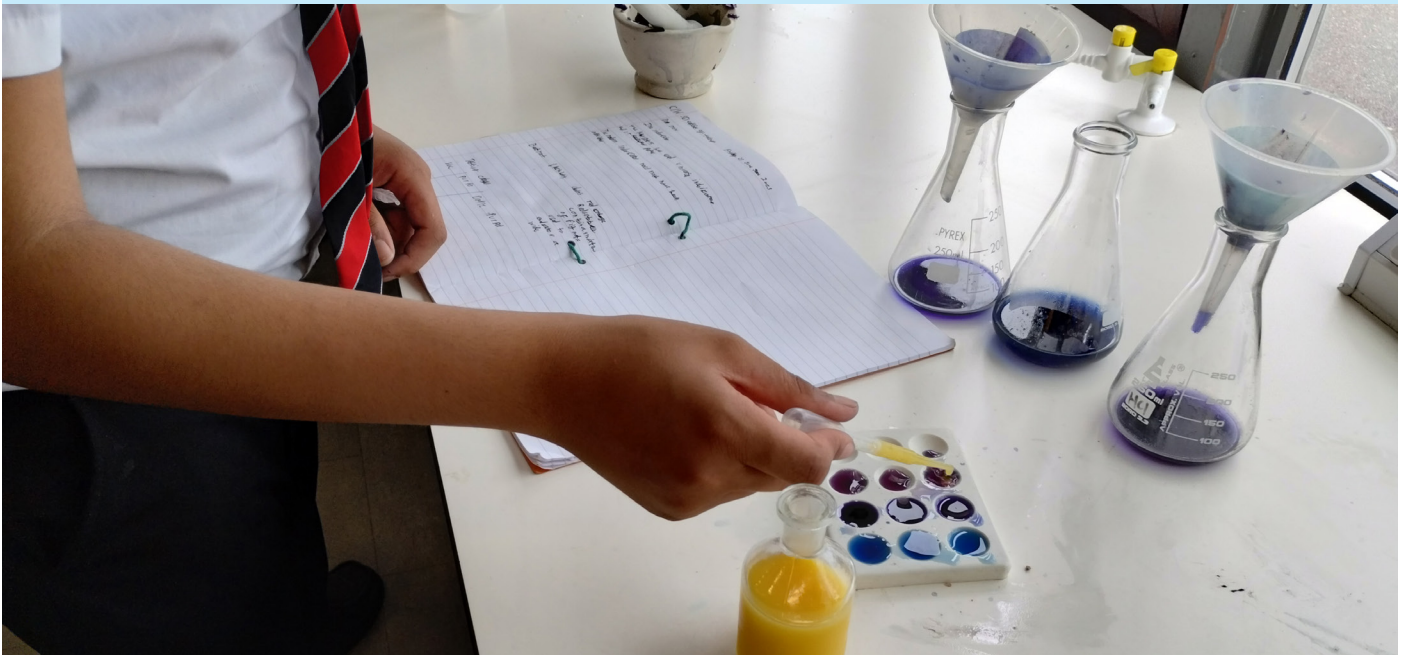


Remove from heat when crystals start to form. Leave on bench to evaporate all of the water

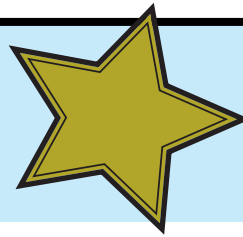
## Results



## Year 8 students making indicator from cabbage.



### Science Quiz



Test your scientific thinking by solving this puzzle. Then come and see Mr Maclachlan in the Science Department with your answer. First 3 correct answers will earn a small prize!

## JAR OF FLIES

A bunch of flies are in a capped jar. You place the jar on a scale. The scale will register the most weight when the flies are:

- a) sitting on the bottom of the jar
- b) flying around inside the jar
- c) ... weight of the jar is the same in both cases.



# Student Support

## 6 reasons why asking 'why' is good

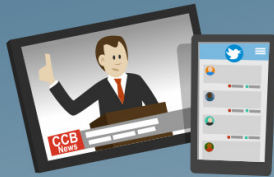
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### Because it helps with...



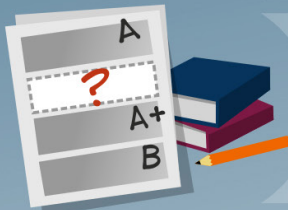
#### ...learning

it engages students in their learning, forcing them to think deeply about and listen to answers.



#### ...critical thinking

it helps students to separate reliable information from untrustworthy information.



#### ...self-reflection

it challenges students to identify gaps in their learning, and to fill these gaps, pushing beyond their level of ability.



#### ...impressions

it showcases to others an enthusiasm for learning, and enhances both work and social relationships.



#### ...your own interest

it makes learning more rewarding, which motivates students to achieve their goals.



#### ...feedback

it helps students to understand what they're doing well, what they should carry on doing, and what they can do better.

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# Ways That Setbacks Can Help



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## Use mistakes to...



**Increase your motivation to succeed**



**Learn more about what you need to do better or differently**



**Develop your compassion and empathy**



**Increase your resilience and determination**



**Prompt you to ask for help**



**Make your final accomplishment**

# Community Notices



Making Life  
Better Together



South West London and  
St George's Mental Health  
NHS Trust

## SUMMER STREET PARTY

SAVE THE DATE  
05/07/2023

### SPRINGFIELD UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE OPENING OF SPRINGFIELD VILLAGE ON THE 75TH BIRTHDAY OF THE NHS.



This year's Springfield event will be held on 5 July, and we would love to see you there. The Summer Street Party is an opportunity for staff, service users, carers and members of our local community to come together and celebrate the hard work that we do at the Trust. This year it is also an opportunity for us to celebrate the launch of Springfield Village, and to commemorate the 75th birthday of the NHS! Use the QR code to book your free ticket



**TIME IS RUNNING OUT  
TO USE UP YOUR OLD  
NON-BARCODED STAMPS**

You have until 31 July 2023 to use your non-barcoded 'regular' stamps\*.

They will not be accepted for postage after this date and could be subject to surcharge. Alternatively, you can swap them for new, barcoded stamps.

## SUMMER BREAK SWIMMING CRASH COURSE

(Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th August 2023)  
Discover a wide range of Aquatic and Safety Skills.  
Water Confidence and all Swimming Strokes.



Non-Swimmers, Beginners & Improvers (Stages 1-4) needed to take part in Swimming Teacher Training Course at:

### ERNEST BEVIN ACADEMY, TOOTING

**Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th August 2023  
(4-day course)**

£20 for the week (Only £5 per day-30min session).  
Course runs from 3pm-5pm each day

For further information and to enrol onto these courses, please email Julia at [julia@aquatictrainingcourses.com](mailto:julia@aquatictrainingcourses.com)

ENROLMENT CLOSING DATE: Friday 28th July 2023
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Summer Reading Challenge 2023

# Ready, Set, Read!

Presented by The Reading Agency.  
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