



**Open Day**  
**FOREST SCHOOL** Saturday, 21 September 2019  
 8.30am - 1.00pm



Forest School encourages outstanding academic progress and personal development, offering single-sex teaching in a co-educational environment for girls and boys aged 4-18yrs. Forest is a city school on the edge of North London with 30 acres of grounds.

Forest - Where People Grow

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## New head's aim is to empower pupils

A NEW headteacher has been announced to take over an all-girls independent school. Chloe Moon will take on her new role as headmistress at Braeside School in Buckhurst School from September. Mrs Moon first joined the school as special educational needs and disabilities co-ordinator in January 2016, also becoming Head of Seniors later in the year. A statement released by Braeside School said: "Mrs Moon is passionate about helping pupils to achieve their full potential. "She is looking forward to developing further the friendly and well-disciplined environment while growing the self-confidence, independence, responsibility, kindness and good manners that we see every day." Braeside provides education for girls from two and a half to 16



Chloe Moon has been working at Braeside School since 2016

years-old. Mrs Moon also provided a comment on the school's website, saying: "This is an all-through school that aims to nurture and develop the academic, creative and personal

skills in each of the pupils from the youngest in kindergarten to the oldest in Year 11. "From an academic, social and personal perspective, our focus is to continuously develop and empower our students."

## Help for pupils at risk of exclusion

### One-to-one attention for primary-age kids

By Hannah Hastings

CHILDREN at risk of being permanently excluded from school are being offered a lifeline.

BMAT, which operates primary and secondary schools in Essex and east London, is working closely with Essex County Council to fill the gap in the provision of alternative education.

The education trust prides itself on removing barriers to ensure all children are freed to succeed during their school years.

Helena Mills CBE and BMAT CEO, said: "Our aim is to have zero permanent exclusions from either primary or secondary schools. We are talking about young people who need to learn social and emotional skills.

"We want to ensure the most vulnerable pupils get the extra support they need. We believe we have a moral duty to help those young people who have

reached a crisis point in their lives.

"We have always done everything we can within BMAT to help all of our students. But, there has been nowhere suitable to send those students who require an alternative provision.

"Essex approached us as a result of our track record of significantly reducing permanent exclusions in our schools and asked us to help.

"It is time someone stepped up and did this."

Since April, BMAT has been working with the secondary student section of their trust including, Burnt Mill Academy, Epping St John's Church of England School and BMAT STEM Academy.

Up to 12 students at a time are placed on the 12-week course after being referred by their headteacher, with the aim of successfully re-integrating them back to school.

From this month, the trust will work with the county council to offer schemes - Phoenix Provision and Grow Provision - for primary aged pupils in Uttlesford and Harlow respectively.

Pupils will remain the responsibility of their home school, with collaboration between them and the alternative provision for the good of the young person and their future.

Ms Mills said: "Pupils will get quite personalised attention with almost one-to-one teaching.

"The important thing is, pupils will go back to their home school and permanent exclusion will have been avoided.

"I believe we can change behaviour with the right resources.

"The people we have leading these provisions are very knowledgeable about special educational needs and are very committed to helping the most challenging young people."



## Bancroft's

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### 11+ Open Evening

For entry September 2020

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## Tube and buses at full stretch

COMMUTERS in London are left "travelling like cattle", with overcrowding seen as the biggest problem for public transport.

A poll of travel gripes found 53 per cent of Londoners are most frustrated by busy journeys,

A total of 38 per cent think travel is too hot, and 24 per cent resent high costs, according to research by the London Assembly's transport committee.

The capital's population

continues to grow - with the current 9.1 million expected to rise to over 10 million by 2035.

Florence Eshalomi, chair of the transport committee, said quality of journeys was just as important as getting from A to B.

She said: "Our research shows that the transport system is already struggling to cope with the number of people.

"It is not enough to have a network that can take Lon-

doners across this large city.

"Residents do not deserve to feel as if they are travelling like cattle in packed buses and train carriages."

Younger people were more worried about the cost of travel than older residents - nearly a third of 18-24 year olds said it was their most significant problem.

Four per cent of over 65s said price was their biggest complaint. Almost a third of people said they would travel more if it cost less.