

“Ebony Horse Club  
pushes me to be more,  
and gives me time and  
space to let go of  
what’s happening in  
the outside world”

Brixton teenager.  
Member of EHC.

**Ebony Horse Club**  
Please help us to help them.



## Help us to teach life skills

EHC develops key life skills: punctuality, team work, concentration, empathy, respect and commitment through contact with horses. We have nine stabled at our purpose-built yard in Brixton.

**CASE STUDY:** A 10 year old who has experienced violence in his life initially found horses threatening. After a year of working with him, he now grooms and cares for the horses, socialises with his peers and has become a confident and enthusiastic rider.



**FACT FILE...** 120 young people attend **Ebony every week.** £100 pays for minibus hire for a day trip. £180 pays for six sessions for a child with a disability.



## Help them to exceed expectations

**Ebony Horse Club welcomes those with special educational needs and a variety of medical conditions.**

**CASE STUDY:** A young man with severe autism rides in a mainstream class and does yard work at the centre. His family say that on 'Ebony' days he rises with enthusiasm, and that his vocabulary and concentration has improved beyond their expectations, making a tremendous difference to family life.

**FACT FILE...** We engage teenage boys under most threat from local gang culture  
£2000 buys six months' hay. £4500 buys six children a residential trip away.



## Help us to provide a safe place

Many of our young riders face tough challenges, such as poverty, gang crime, underachievement at school, overcrowded housing and family breakdown.

**CASE STUDY:** We provide a safe place for a 12 year old who is the main carer for her mother. At EHC, she can enjoy just being a child. This summer she joined eight others for a four day trail riding trip in Wales – her first holiday away from home.

**FACT FILE...** **eight local schools benefit from our services.** **£300** buys a show jump. **£450** buys 10 riding hats. **£600** pays for nine horses to be shod.

## Help us **turn lives around**

**Ebony offers vital extra support to help young people overcome challenges that can profoundly affect their ability to achieve later in life.**

**CASE STUDY:** A teenage boy who is excluded from school rides at the centre and works on the yard and our youth workers supervise his academic work in our classroom. His self-esteem and trust in adults has risen and we are working with the relevant agencies to get him back into full time education.



**FACT FILE...** **20%** of our riders have a **disability.** **£700** buys a year of riding for a child in need. **£1600** buys ten days turnout holiday for the horses.

# Help them get to work

**Ebony Horse Club raises aspirations and assists young people into Further Education and the work place. In the centre's first three years:** seven members have gone on to take formal education in Equine Studies; two members are now working in the equine industry; five members are employed as youth workers; two members are studying veterinary nursing; and five are currently in Further Education.

**Please support us in expanding and keeping these pathways open to our young people.**

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**HRH The Queen visits Ebony Horse Club Riding Centre with our President, The Duchess of Cornwall, in 2013.**



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