

# BROUGHTON

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## HIGH SCHOOL

Newsletter No 15

17<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Dear Parents,

The Christmas holiday is almost here and, as always, it does not seem very long ago that I was welcoming everyone back after the Summer Term break. It has been a hectic, yet most enjoyable Autumn Term. All the staff have worked extremely hard on



behalf of all the pupils and your sons and daughters have been keen to learn and become involved in all aspects of school life. As parents, you too have supported all functions and events. Another example of this was last week's **Year 7 PTFA Family Quiz**. This was the ninth year of the competition and it continues to be a most enjoyable and pleasurable evening. Well over a hundred and fifty people crammed into the Senior Dining

Room to answer various questions and tackle a number of challenges. After several competitive rounds, **the competition was won by 7C** and they were crowned **YEAR 7 PTFA CHAMPIONS 2018**.

Your sons and daughters continue to look extremely smart in their school uniform. During the holidays you may need to purchase some additional items because of 'wear and tear' or items becoming too small. In particular, **please buy plain black shoes and nothing that resembles a trainer. Shoes must be without a logo, not canvas, and the heel should not exceed 5cms.**



**We have purchased a selection of brand new shoes for any pupil who arrives in alternative footwear. Pupils will wear these each day until their new shoes arrive.**

Similarly, your son/daughter may have received a colourful coat/top as a Christmas present. Such garments are ideal for out of school, but never allowed in school. **The only outdoor coats allowed are either plain black or blue.** Finally, please remember that our uniform policy states '**no extreme hairstyles**' and this definitely means no pattern or emblem shaved into the hairline.



At the end of term we say goodbye to **Mrs Ceris Jones**, our **Art Technician**, who has worked at Broughton since 1983 ... she has been here for 35 years! For her first 25 years, Mrs Jones (nee Sloan) was an Art Teacher. As a talented artist herself, Mrs Jones has inspired countless children with her passion for the subject. She has provided pupils with the skills, confidence and encouragement to believe everyone can model, draw or paint. Mrs Jones has been a model professional in terms of her commitment to the school and her enthusiasm to enable all pupils to appreciate Art. For the last ten years Mrs Jones has worked as a highly effective and invaluable Art Technician. In particular, Years 10 and 11 have appreciated Mrs Jones' good humour, expertise and presence around school. She leaves with our best wishes for the future and considerable thanks.



A final reminder that **school closes on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 1.00pm**. As is customary, the focus for the final day will be our Talent Show. **Non uniform may be worn (£1.00)** with all the money being donated to a local charity. I look forward to seeing many of you at the **Christmas Carol Service** which begins at **6.30pm** on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December** at **Broughton Parish Church** and at our **Christmas Concert** which will be held in school on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm**.

The **new term** begins on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 8.40am**. On behalf of all the governors and staff, I wish you a **Happy Christmas** and a **successful New Year**. Thank you for your continued support.

As always, if you are happy or unhappy with any aspect of life here at Broughton, please do not hesitate to get in touch. My email address is [morrisc@broughtonhigh.co.uk](mailto:morrisc@broughtonhigh.co.uk).

**Chris Morris, Headteacher**

Carol Service at Broughton Church  
Christmas Concert at Broughton High School  
School closes for Christmas  
School re-opens

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December**, 6.30pm-7.30pm  
**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**, 7.00pm  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018** at 1.00pm  
**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019** at 8.40am





### Christmas Lunch

with Turkey and all the trimmings,  
will be served on

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>  
December**

### Careers - Can you help? Do you know someone who can?

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019, I am running Broughton's first Careers speed networking event called 'Speak to the Expert'. We have invited guests into school to talk about their careers. However, we are short of people from a number of vocational areas. These include:

Accounting, Business, Construction, Criminology,  
Hairdressing, Nursery Nursing,  
Dancing and the Performing Arts  
and Psychology.

**If you, or someone you know, is able to help us inspire Year 10 and 11 pupils on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January between 9:00am and 1:20pm please contact me at:**  
[donleavy@broughtonhigh.co.uk](mailto:donleavy@broughtonhigh.co.uk).

Thank you.

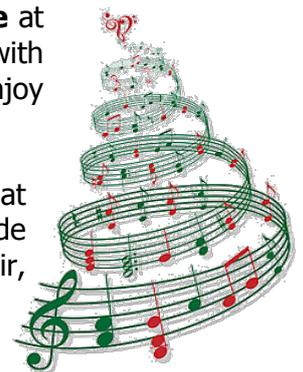
**Mrs Donleavy**

### Merry Christmas from Broughton's Music Department

On **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December** the Music Department will be holding a **Carol Service** at **Broughton Parish Church** from **6.30pm - 7.30pm**. Come along and join in with the carol singing and the spirit of Christmas. After the service you can enjoy refreshments and mince pies.

On **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**, we will be presenting our **Christmas Concert** here at **Broughton High School** starting at **7.00pm**. The programme will include performances from the Concert Band, Swing Band, Clarinet and Flute Ensembles, Choir, Senior and Junior Vocal Ensembles and soloists.

Tickets for the Christmas Concert are available from the school office.



**BROUGHTON HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS HALL**

Raffle, Mince Pies & Coffee

Adults £5.00

Concessions £3.00

Merry Christmas.

**Mr Grindrod**

## Sporting News

### Year 7 Girls' Football

On Tuesday, Broughton's Year 7 girls' football team played at home against St Wilfrid's in the Lancashire Cup. The game started very evenly, with limited chances for each team, but then Broughton stepped up their intensity pressing high up the pitch, and were soon rewarded with a goal from **Madelyn Clements**. Broughton took control, and **Emelia Vickers** found the back of the net from a great assist from **Alicia Tomlinson**. Broughton went on to score another three times through **Molly Kelly-Barker**, **Phoebe Glynn** and **Amelia Rose Battersby** to win 5-1. They now face Bishop Rawstone away in the next round after Christmas. Well done girls!

Team:

**Emelia Vickers, Phoebe Glynn, Grace Willingale,  
Alicia Tomlinson, Jessica Anderson,  
Molly Kelly-Barker, Amelia Rose Battersby, Madelyn Clements**



Mrs Rukin

### Christmas in the Library

Last week in the library we reminded pupils to pick up a book to read over the Christmas holidays. We have lots of great new books so please do encourage your children to call in and explore what is on offer!

Pupils could also win a new book by entering our **Poet Tree PRIZE DRAW**. All they have to do is use one of our snowflake templates to write a seasonal winter or Christmas poem. All entries will go in a draw to win a book. A ClassCharts point is also awarded for each entry.

With the chance to borrow a mystery book from our Grinch display, pick up a seasonal winter read or fill a Christmas stocking with a recommended read, there really is lots going on in the library this festive season.

Our student librarians have even created a 'Cracking Christmas Book Quiz' for all to enjoy.



If you are looking for a last minute gift idea and need a book recommendation you may find the following websites useful:

[www.booktrust.org.uk](http://www.booktrust.org.uk)

[www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk](http://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk)

On these sites you can browse recommendations, reviews and search for books based on age and genre.

Mrs Whitlock

## Bags of Scented Pine Cones for Sale

The Garden and Environmental Club have a small supply of pine cones in bags (scented and unscented) for sale at Pupil Reception. The club members have collected most of materials and sprayed/painted them over the last few weeks. The monies collected will go towards the purchase of compost.

Limited stock - five bags of unscented plain/gold bags and the rest are mixed; scented with dried orange, star anise and cloves.

**£1.50 per bag.**  
Please see Mrs Dumbell at Pupil Reception.



## Be a Stamp Saving Super Hero

*RSPB Working to Save Albatrosses from Extinction*



Thank you to those pupils and parents who brought stamps into school at this time last year. Once again, Broughton High School's gardening /environmental group would like to **encourage people to save used stamps from their post**, over the Christmas period in particular, thus becoming Super Heroes helping **to raise money to save diminishing Albatross populations**.

Although the albatross is not a bird one would normally associate with Great Britain, there are British islands in the Southern Hemisphere where some members of the Albatross family live. Fifteen of the twenty two species are now in decline, mainly due to harmful fishing techniques. Money raised from the donated stamps will be used to educate fishermen to use methods that are less harmful, among other conservation techniques.

Stamps can be brought into school and put in the collection box at Pupil Reception. These will then be sent to the RSPB in the New Year.

Further information about the work of the RSPB can be found at:

[RSPB - Working to Save Albatrosses](http://www.rspb.org.uk)

Thank you.

**Mrs Sims**

## Learn it CHALLENGE

## History

1. Provenance means **origin**, and refers to the **author, time and place**.
2. A **source is contemporary** (from the period being studied) and **an interpretation was created later** (six or more years according to AQA!)
3. 'Lord of Misrule' was in charge of All **Christmas festivities at the royal court**, including banquets, music and plays.
4. The first recorded book of Christmas carols appeared in England in **1521, published by Wynken de Worde** and it includes *The Boars Head Carol*.
5. King William 1 had defeated **Harold Godwinson of Wessex** in battle.
6. William the Conqueror left his half-brother **Odo, the Bishop of Bayeux** and **William Fitz Osbern** in charge in his absence.
7. **Sir Henry Cole** had the idea of Christmas Cards with his friend **John Horsley**, who was an artist. They designed the first card and sold them for 1 shilling each.
8. Oliver Cromwell banned Christmas. He was a **Puritan** and believed that there had been a **moral decay** in England, linked to excessive festivities at Christmas.
9. From 1865, **glass and wire ornaments, Sebnitz ornaments** (artificial flowers) and **Dresdner paperboard ornaments** became popular as Christmas tree decorations.
10. The **Midwinter Solstice**, on the **shortest day of the year (21<sup>st</sup> December)**. This celebration dates back to Neolithic times.

## Shoebox Appeal

There are five types of shoeboxes each aimed at a different age group. Some ideas of the contents which would be suitable for the various recipients are available from the website:

<http://internationalaidtrust.org.uk/get-involved/shoebox-appeal/>

**Shoeboxes should be taken to Learning Support by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December.**

Thank you for your support.

**Mrs Hardman**

## Girls' Table Tennis

Last Wednesday, Broughton played in the Preston district table tennis tournament at Moor Park. As there have been so many girls attending table tennis club, Broughton entered three teams, each of which went into a separate league. Broughton 1 and 2 won their leagues without dropping a single game, Broughton 3 finished 2<sup>nd</sup>, winning all but one match against Our Lady's. Broughton 1 and 2 made light work of beating Our Lady's in the round robin final, so it came down to a tense game between the two Broughton teams to see who would finish 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.



**It was Broughton 1 that came out victorious, with three out the four players remaining unbeaten the whole tournament.** A huge well done to all the girls, they have trained hard since September and this was reflected in their fantastic performances.

**Broughton 1: Georgia Hills, Emma Walsh, Megan Vaughan, Lois James**

**Broughton 2: Georgina Ager, Fran Lyons, Emma Mews, Izzy Finley**

**Broughton 3: Pippa Chapman, Molly Capps, Emily Cutting, Maddie Kitchen**

Mrs Rukin



## HALF TERM LIBRARY STARS



Congratulations to the following pupils on borrowing lots of books from the school library during the second half term. Keep up the good reading.

Year 7: **Freya Nunn 7N, Humayrah Yusuf 7R.**

Year 8: **Ella Hewitt 8B, Paul Whiteside 8B.**

Year 9: **Zaynah Patel 9N, Hamzah Goga 9R, Lucy Bracken 9S, Kelsey Broxton 9S, Vinny McWilliam 9R.**

Year 10: **Jonathon Powell 10H, Mariam Goga 10S.**

## Two truths and a lie...

How to develop deeper thinking and independence within your child



Did you know that the highest retention rates occur when we have to teach something to someone else?

Try asking your child to write down two true statements about a topic as well as one plausible lie...

Now ask them to test you!



## **Kölner Weihnachtsmarkt trip**

Thirty two pupils, as well as Mr Ellis, Frau Burke and Mr Stockley, embarked on this year's Christmas trip the German Christmas Markets in Köln. We left Broughton very late on Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> December and arrived in the beautiful city of Köln on Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> December, late in the afternoon.

Apart from enjoying the amazing atmosphere of the markets, we visited the Lindt chocolate museum, where the very delicious chocolate was sampled in numerous different ways! We also visited Cologne's outstanding cathedral.

All the pupils enjoyed sampling the many different German delights whilst strolling around the markets and a lot of German was spoken buying souvenirs, food and drinks.

On Tuesday, we visited PhantasiaLand – a Winter Wonderland. The theme park included some amazing rides and great shows, preparing us all for Christmas.

I would like to say a big 'Thank You' to both Mr Ellis and Mr Stockley for accompanying me and the pupils on this trip.

Thank you also to all the pupils, who were a real credit to Broughton High School.

All that leaves me to say:

*FROHE WEIHNACHTEN UND EIN GESUNDES NEUES JAHR!*

**Frau Burke**





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**Lancashire Apprenticeship  
& Careers Expo**

**Preston Guild Hall  
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