

BROUGHTON

HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Congratulations to the twenty four pupils who successfully completed the Level 3 Bikeability training.



Along with the compulsory wearing of bike helmets, almost all youngsters who cycle to school should now be safer. It is over a year since we made it compulsory that all pupils cycling to school must wear a helmet. Does your son/daughter wear a helmet when cycling around your neighbourhood?

Thank you to all families who hosted the German exchange pupils from Bonndorf. They all had a wonderful time and no doubt your son or daughter is looking forward to the return visit to Germany at the end of March 2019. As well as attending numerous lessons, the German exchange pupils visited Lancaster, Liverpool and, of course, Blackpool.

Every day I visit most classrooms, occasionally accompanied by visiting teachers or prospective parents. I never fail to be impressed by the **work ethic of your sons and daughters.** They are attentive, engrossed in their learning and keen to make progress. One visiting senior teacher from another school remarked, "they all concentrate so well" whilst another mentioned "no off task chatter ... they just get on with their work." After being shown around all lessons one afternoon last week, one visitor commented ... "this school is an absolute credit to you all ... the pupils, the building, the staff ... you must be so proud." We are.



I look forward to seeing **every Year 7 parent at Thursday's Parents' Evening from 4.15pm until 7.00pm.** Not only is there an opportunity to meet Mrs Bamber and her team of tutors, but there will also be a 20 minute presentation (maximum!) explaining about aspects of teaching and learning, setting, reports, ClassCharts and Social Media.

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.

Chris Morris, Headteacher



Late Bus



The late bus (403) **operates every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday**, at a charge of 60p per pupil per journey. The service **departs from Broughton at 4.25pm**, allowing pupils to stay late to complete school work or participate in sports activities after school.

Year 7 Parents' Evening with Progress Tutors

Thursday 18th October 2018

PTFA Meeting

Tuesday 30th October 2018

Unveiling of Commemorative Plaque on 6th October 2018 for Pte James Towers VC

Pte James Towers VC lived in Broughton and on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of his heroic actions that led to him being awarded the Victoria Cross, an information plaque was unveiled by his family at the war memorial. He is not named on the war memorial as he was fortunate enough to survive the Great War and live to a good age in our local community.

A fitting tribute was made last year by Preston City Council who named the Broughton bypass after him. However, this has led to questions as to who he was.

The Parish Council agreed to place a plaque telling his tale at the war memorial and a leaflet has been produced by Preston City Council with a more detailed version available at www.broughtonparishcouncil.org.uk

There was an act of remembrance at the memorial on the west side of the Garstang Road led by Rev A J Earl CF Rich, Senior Chaplain, Headquarters North West, Fulwood Bk. Major Philip Grant came to represent the Cameronians Pt. Towers' regiment. He put into context the events leading up to his act of heroism. The Preston veterans' organisation led by Col Stam provided a colour party.

The VC citation was read by a family member, Cllr Hamilton read the Exhortation and then his grandchildren Glynis and Denis unveiled the plaque. A wreath was laid by Cllr Eccles daughter linking those who had died in past conflicts with the current generation, then Rev Rich said the Kohima. This was followed by afternoon tea at Broughton and District Club, Whittingham Lane.

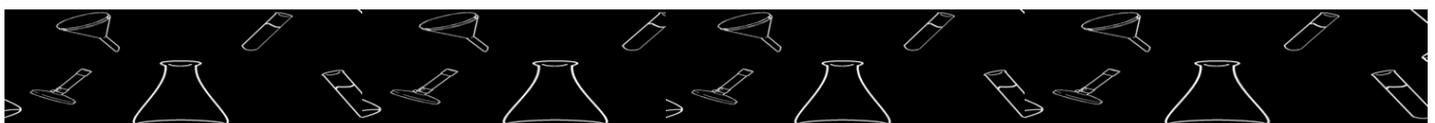


From today the Science department will be launching their own twitter account.

If you want to find out what's happening in the Science department including work by pupils, science club activities, important dates, as well as some interesting links to science news,

please follow:

@BroughtonSci



Poetry Competition

Thursday, October 4th, was National Poetry Day, and Broughton marked the occasion with a day dedicated to the theme of **Change** as expressed in poetry. KS3 pupils read a variety of poems on this theme, and then attempted a poem of their own. Two 'recipes' were offered, which many of our young writers exploited very successfully, while others developed structures of their own.

The poems were entered in a school-wide competition, and prizes were presented by Mr. Morris in a special assembly in the Library on Friday, October 12th. The writers of the 'Top 40' poems were invited to attend. As there were over a hundred poems in the competition, making it this far was a real achievement.

Certificates were presented to the 'Top 12' poets.
These are:



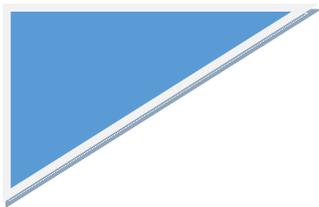
Katy Redmond (1st place)
Sultan Khan/ Safa Beg (joint 2nd place)
Bethany Andrews (3rd place)

Eleanor Noblet
Liyaa Akbar
Max Burrow
Visha Rana
McKenzie Baker
Luke Jackson
Lambrina Bowcott
Beth Millar



Congratulations to all participants and winners. The quality originality of your work was excellent, and made judging very difficult! The winning poems are attached to this newsletter.

Miss Winter



Scarlett Allison 10B would like to say thank you to **all the kitchen staff** for the respectful way they serve her every day. She says, "Because I have a gluten free diet, I go and ask **Mr O'Connor and Mrs Devaney** every morning what is for dinner. He is always kind and polite, and he and his staff go out of their way to make special food for people like me. I especially like the gluten free cake he makes!"

**One of the most sincere forms of respect is
actually listening to what another has to say.**

Bryant H. McGill

Mrs Hardman

Word of the Week

The move would cause **irreparable** harm to the organisation.

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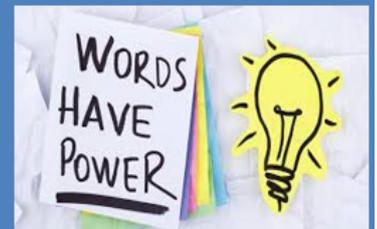
Irreparable

adjective: broken or destroyed for good/impossible to repair or make right again.

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How about a game of Pictionary?

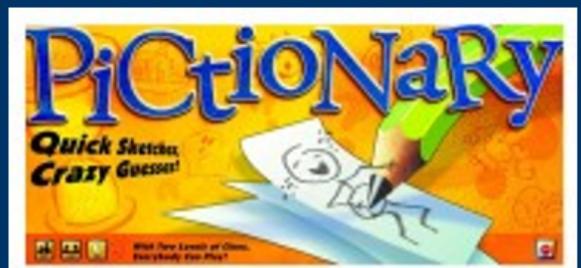
How to develop deeper thinking and independence within your child



Did you know that, for visual learners, images can be used to trigger a wide range of ideas and associations on a topic?

Try asking your child to summarise their learning in the form of pictures...

Asking them to explain their designs will embed their learning further!



Rock School Exams

Congratulations to **Oliver Lynch (11N)** who passed his **Grade 3 Rock School Drumming exam with a Distinction**. Oliver is now practising for his Grade 5 in February 2019. Oliver has been learning the drums for five years and is a member of the Concert and Swing Bands in school.



Oliver has lessons at Broughton Music Academy with Jim Askam and performs regularly at the Playhouse Theatre in Preston. Oliver is currently studying GCSE Music which involves performing, composition and Understanding Music. In his spare time Oliver enjoys refereeing, playing the electric guitar and Ukulele.

Mr Grindrod

Broughton High School Concert Band and ABRSM exams

We welcome **Samuel Hartley** and **Madison Wignall**, both Year 7 pupils, as new additions to the school Concert Band. Samuel and Madison were also successful recently in achieving a **Merit** in their **Grade 1 Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music** exam on the flute. Samuel and Madison came to Broughton in September from Woodplumpton St Anne's CE Primary School and have been learning the flute for three years. Samuel and Madison have lessons at Broughton with Mrs Fletcher, our woodwind teacher. In his spare time Samuel enjoys playing football and golf and Madison enjoys taking part in Drama, Art and Singing. Madison comes from a musical family; her dad plays keyboard, guitar and sings in a band. It is great to have Samuel and Madison involved with the department and we look forward to many exciting and rewarding ventures in the future. Well done for all your hard work and enthusiasm.



Mr Grindrod

Bridgewater Hall 'The Orchestra Through The Ages'

On Friday, 28th September, Year 10/11 **Music GCSE** pupils visited **The Bridgewater Hall, Manchester** for a concert by **The Halle Orchestra**. Pupils were taken on a musical journey through the ages.

The concert also featured the set work by Haydn being studied for GCSE and soloists from the Royal Northern College of Music showing off their skills. The programme included music by many early composers through to more modern works ending with *The Pirates of The Caribbean*.



The pupils thoroughly enjoyed themselves and learnt many key facts about the development of the orchestra and music writing/composing.

Mr Grindrod





Competition Time



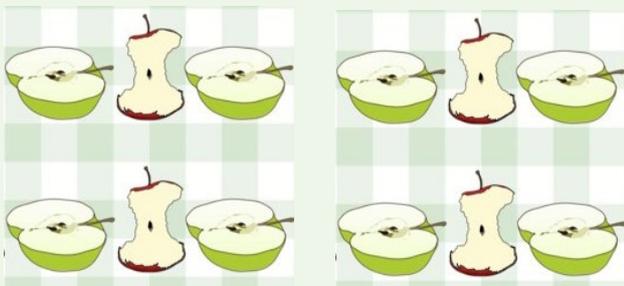
This year our Apple Day celebration is taking the form of a competition that can be executed from ideas dreamed up, perhaps during half term. This activity is **open to the whole school**.

The theme : An Autumnal Table Decoration which must include using an apple*or apples

(* Was once living not artificial - can be part of.) This is a generous brief with lots of scope. No other guidance will be given but if you have a question Mrs Sims will answer individual queries by email (simsj@broughtonhigh.co.uk).

Decorations, labelled with name and tutor group, should be brought into school and **taken to the library before break on Monday 29th October**. They can be taken home at the end of the day in time for Halloween and Bonfire Night Celebrations. On the day the entries will be grouped into categories and prizes awarded accordingly.

Mrs Sims



Learn it CHALLENGE

General Knowledge

1. The **Kremlin** is the name given to a series of buildings where President Vladimir Putin resides.
2. **Fam** is the word which was recently included in the Oxford English Dictionary meaning members of a group and close friends.
3. **Cuadrilla** is the name of the shale gas company which plans to start fracking at Preston New Road.
4. **Curriculum Vitae** is the name given to an overview of a person's experiences and qualifications before a job interview.
5. **Banksy** is the name of the artist who arranged for his 'Girl with Balloon' picture to self-destruct just after it was sold for £1 million.
6. **Robert Galbraith** is the pseudonym J.K. Rowling uses when she writes the 'Strike' series of novels.
7. Michael Gove, the Environment Secretary, has a plan for all councils to allow people to choose reject appliances. **Our Mutual Friend** is the title of Charles Dickens' book about a family who become rich by sifting rubbish for valuables.
8. **Jodie Whittaker** is the latest person to play Doctor Who.
9. **Jose Mourinho** is the football manager who claimed he is the subject of a 'manhunt'.
10. A Sri Lankan cricketer recently bowled with both his right and left arm equally well. This is known as **Ambidextrous**.

Environmental Activities Clubs

This term, as well as getting out and about in the orchard, pupils attending the Environmental Activities clubs have been looking at making winter homes for wildlife, hedgehogs as well as invertebrates, and are being encouraged to take note of seasonal wildlife including fungi and ladybirds. The recent mild weather has meant there are plenty of both about and those who are interested in getting out and about during half term might like to look out for different fungi and take part in the ladybird survey. Links to identification sheets are given below and the club members would be interested to hear of your sightings after half term.

For Fungi ID. Visit www.woodlandtrust.org.uk

Activity Type. Spotter Sheets. Fungi ID & Autumn Fungi ID

For Ladybird ID. Visit <http://www.ladybird-survey.org/>

Ladybird identification sheet.

Or use the Woodland Trust site and look at the spotter sheet for ladybirds.

Above all have a good half term and try and get outside into the natural environment and enjoy the Autumn season before Winter sets in.



Mrs Sims

GERMAN VISITORS FROM BONNDORF SAY: 'DANKE'

Twenty three pupils and two teachers arrived from Germany, Bonndorf on Wednesday, 3rd October for their annual stay. The fourteen and fifteen year olds enjoyed trips to Blackpool Pleasure Beach and the Sandcastle, sampled traditional seaside fish and chips and enjoyed day in Liverpool, where we visited the Albert Dock and enjoyed a spot of shopping in Liverpool One. The German party also learned about the history of Lancaster during their castle tour and their visit to Lancaster.

Asked to give their opinions about school life at Broughton, our German guests really liked the late start of school and the uniform, as well as the variety of the curriculum and the way it is taught here at Broughton. The PE lesson with Mrs Rukin and the History lesson with Miss Klunder were a real success and the German pupils were engaged and liked the way they had been taught. A special thank you to Mrs Newton for teaching our German guests how to make Scones.

Our last 'Auf Wiedersehen' was said on Wednesday afternoon and there wasn't one dry eye in the house. We are now all looking forward to the 40th Anniversary celebrations of the Exchange between our schools, which will begin in Germany when we visit in April 2019.

Exchange Programmes really do enrich pupils' learning of a foreign language. The full immersion into the language gives pupils a real sense of achievement, as they communicate with their German peers but also a real purpose to their learning because they can see that all that learning can be used in real life.

Lastly, I would like to thank all twenty three families, who have made our German guests so very welcome and have worked extremely hard to show them the local area and make this whole experience a real success for all.

Mrs Burke



Pupils who took part:

Jeanie Delaney
Anna Stonecliffe
Mei Jones
Emily Saunders
Emma Hurst
Bethany Andrews
Katy Redmond
Emelia Barker
Emma Walsh
Niamh Atwal-Weir
Charlotte Chan-Wenske
Libby Gibson
Simran Singh
Kiara Sampson
Megan Cross
Libby Chapman
Charlotte Harrison
Beth Millar
Hannah Wade
Beth Hilton-Knott
Emma Burgess
Charlotte Wilson-Cox
Emily Cookson



In third place: 'I Remember...' by Bethany Andrews

I remember those first few days,
Crinkled hands and tiny feet,
The shrill sound of crying in the middle of the night

I remember your first words,
As the whole family gathered round,
How proud they all were

I remember when you started school,
You skipped away into a sea of uniforms,
Laughing and playing with the other children

I remember your first sleepover,
Gagging girls singing like raucous birds,
Tiring themselves out in the early hours of the morning

I remember when you started dancing classes,
Pointed toes and hair tied back in a bun,
Your smiling face as I watched.

And now she's starting high school,
How quick time has passed since you were young,
I can't wait to see what the future holds for you.

In joint second place:

'Changing' by Safa Beg

A ball of yarn becomes a scarf.
A pup becomes a dog.
A bowl of cherries turns to a pie.
A tree becomes a log.

A log becomes a rocking chair.
Mud turns into stone.
An acorn grows into a tree.
A body fades to bone.

Summer bows to winter.
An egg becomes a snake.
A stranger once is now a friend.
Ice becomes a lake.

A pile of twigs becomes a nest
A thought becomes a book.
Our world is changing every day
Everywhere you look.

'The New Job' by Sultan Khan

The job comes,
The friends came,
The money comes,
You party alone,
The house comes,
The rich men came,
The job disappears,
Everyone disappears,
The end comes,
No one came.....

In first place: 'The Sea' by Katy Redmond

I am calm,
I am new,
I am sweet,
I am blue,
I am stormy,
I am waving,
I am angry,
I am still,
I am quiet,
I can kill,
Now I am silent.



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