



12<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Wednesday, we finish school for the summer holidays and I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all our pupils for the amazing way they have coped with the disruption of school this year. Our pupils have shown true resilience and as frustrated as we have all been with the periods of isolation and time away from school, they continue to work hard in lessons, behave in a sensible and respectful way and enjoy being in school. We will keep you updated of any changes over the summer regarding the return to school and any guidance or protocols that we may need to follow to ensure we can all return safely to school.

Years 7, 8 and 10 have had a wonderful extended lunch over the last few days and Year 9 will enjoy theirs tomorrow. They have been able to enjoy the BBQ food that has been on offer, followed by an ice cream from the ice cream van that has visited school. It was fantastic to see the pupils enjoying themselves and engaging in conversations with each other and members of staff. I am always impressed by the impeccable manners our pupils show to each other, members of staff and external visitors and I lost count of the number of pupils who said 'thank you for the ice cream' as they were leaving school at the end of the day.

We have created a booklet for all children giving them advice to keep themselves safe over the summer holidays with numbers and websites to visit if they have any issues or concerns. The booklet includes links to online counselling services, advice on internet safety and help and support around mental health and wellbeing. This will be distributed to all pupils before they leave for the summer.

On Wednesday, pupils will be allowed to attend school in their own clothes and we have asked for £1 donation towards the school charity. If your son/daughter has already paid for the activity days which have been postponed, this money will be transferred to the non-uniform day. Your son or daughter must wear clothing appropriate for a day in school and we are of course still upholding all the rules regarding jewellery, make-up, fake tan etc.

Pupils in Year 7 and 11 will return on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September with all year groups in school from Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Please can I remind all parents about our expectations for all pupils to wear their uniform correctly from September. There has been a significant improvement in the way pupils wear their uniform and want to thank you again for your support.

Please may I remind you of our uniform expectations:

For Boys:

Grey trousers with logo

Plain white shirt with stiffened collar (not fitted)

Plain black or grey socks

Sensible plain black shoes, not canvas, no trainers

Headteacher: Mr David Botes

For Girls:

Navy pleated knee-length skirt with logo or  
Navy school trousers with logo  
Plain navy or black tights or plain navy socks  
No leggings or socks over tights  
Plain white shirt with stiffened collar (not fitted)  
Sensible plain black shoes, not canvas, no trainers

For All:

Only wearing a watch and a single pair of plain ear studs as a maximum amount of jewellery  
Any other facial or body piercing is not allowed  
Not wearing make-up, fake tan and nail varnish or false nails  
Ensuring hair colouring is natural and discreet  
Extreme hairstyles, cuts and adornments are inappropriate for school  
Hoodies must not be worn under a blazer on the way to or from school

We are saying goodbye to three members of staff at the end of this term. Mrs Duggan (Teaching School Administrative Assistant) is retiring after 13 years at Broughton, Mrs Brocklehurst (Attendance Administrative Assistant) is retiring after 10 years, Mr Fox (Science Technician) is leaving to take up a new post at UCLAN and Mrs Turner (Catering Assistant) is also retiring. We would like to wish Mrs Lees and Mrs Armstrong good luck as they go on maternity leave.

It has been a pleasure to become part of the Broughton family over the last 14 weeks and I am really looking forward to getting to know the pupils and their families even more when we return in September. I hope you all manage to have a restful and relaxing summer break and I look forward to speaking to you all in the autumn term.

If you need to contact me about any aspects of school life, please do not hesitate to get in touch. My email address is [botesd@broughtonhigh.co.uk](mailto:botesd@broughtonhigh.co.uk).

Best wishes,



Mr David Botes  
Headteacher

### Reviews and Reports

**Year 7** Review 3 and Report was published last week via Firefly. A message was sent to Year 7 Parents/Guardians to alert them of this.

**Year 8 and Year 9** Review 3 and Report and **Year 10** Review 3 will be published on Firefly on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July.**

To access this information please log in to Firefly and go to 'Your Child'. The Review and Report can be found under the *attendance area*.

- FREE EVENT -



**UK** university & apprenticeship search virtual fairs  
Wednesday 14th July  
12pm - 6pm

Meet:  
Oxford, Imperial, Manchester, King's, Nottingham, Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Edinburgh, Queen's Belfast, Reading, Cambridge, Kent, Essex, Glasgow, UEA  
& loads more!

The free **Virtual UK University & Apprenticeship Search Fair** will be held on **Wednesday 14 July.**

Teachers, parents and pupils in Years 10, 11, 12 and 13 can join the live event anytime between 12-6pm, where they can chat to over 95 university and apprenticeship exhibitors and take part in vital webinars.

You can view a full list of webinars and exhibitors, find out more details and register at:

<https://ukunisearch.vfairs.com/>



### Woodplumpton and Catforth Area

**Rose Queen**

**Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

**Girls in Years 7, 8 and 9**



If you are interested, please apply by contacting Diane Stuart tel: 07507 874408  
by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

### IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 (school closes at 1.00pm)	School closes for summer
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> August 2021	GCSE Results Day
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021	School re-opens for Year 7 and Year 11
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2021	School re-opens for all Years
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2021 (school closes at 1.00pm)	Open Evening
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	INSET Day (school closed)
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	Open Day

## Music Department News



It has been a very busy summer in the Music Department as we continue to develop our Music Technology facilities. We have recently upgraded the studio computer to the new M1 Mac mini. This means that pupils are able to use a wide range of audio libraries and plugins using Ableton Live, which Ableton kindly gifted us a site licence for. **Ben Hunter** in Year 10 is pictured here working on his GCSE composition. We have also equipped the department with a new 12 channel multitrack Soundcraft desk which will allow pupils to record bands and more.



*Ben Hunter (Year 10), working on his GCSE composition*

Under normal circumstances we would have loved to have invited you all in to hear our musicians perform for you in our annual Summer Concert. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, this hasn't been able to go ahead this year. Additionally, pupils have been isolating, therefore putting together a performance for you has been incredibly challenging. Fortunately, those pupils that didn't have to isolate have been able to perform. This was also a fantastic opportunity for some of our newer musicians to be heard!

**Click here to watch our Summer Concert on Microsoft Stream (pupil login required).**

<https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/03e43116-728e-4e20-b310-c5c1a38ebc40>



*Almost as good as Media City!*

Hopefully, we can start to rebuild our ensembles in September. Please encourage pupils to join in where possible. It is never too late to start to learn an instrument!

Contact the Music department for more information.

Congratulations to **Katie Mann (8C)** who has achieved a **Merit** in her **ABRSM Grade 2 Piano examination**. Very well done.

Last but not least, the Music Department was invited down to Barton and Broughton Primary Schools last week to deliver Ukulele and Samba workshops to Year 5 pupils.

The workshops were thoroughly enjoyed by myself and Mr Westall (our trainee teacher) and were great fun. Barton pupils learnt to play 'Jason Mraz – I'm Yours' and, in keeping with the football theme, Broughton pupils learnt to drum 'Carnaval De Paris' from the 1998 World Cup!



*Pupils in Year 5 at Barton Primary School learning to play the Ukulele*

The pupils were a credit to their primary schools and the work produced was fantastic. Well done to all those involved.

Have a fantastic summer and keep practising!

**Mr Shepherd**



# Food Scientist

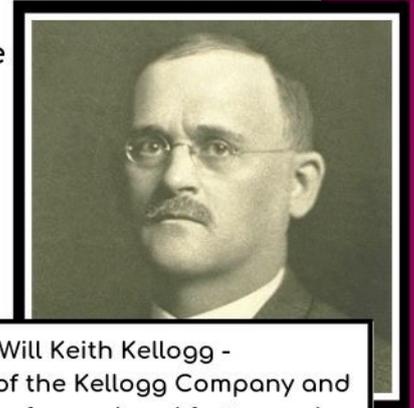
£ £20,000 - £45,000

🕒 Typical hours - 39 to 41 (a week)

You can get into this job through a university course, an apprenticeship or working towards this role.

You'll usually need a foundation degree, higher national diploma or degree in food science, food studies or food technology. Employers may also accept other subjects like chemistry or nutrition.

You may be able to do a food technologist advanced apprenticeship then move on to a food industry technical professional degree apprenticeship.



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# Hydrologist

£ £22,500 - £46,000

🕒 38-45 hours per week (Evenings and Weekends)



5 GCSEs grades 4 (A\*-C) and above including Maths and English to do 3 A-levels for a degree in - environmental science, geography, Earth sciences or environmental engineering. After finishing your degree, you could go on to complete a postgraduate course in water engineering, flood risk management or hydrogeology.



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## Year 8 Speeches

At this time of year, pupils from Year 8 would usually take part in a debating competition in school. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, this was unable to take place in its traditional format.

Instead, pupils from 8ES were given the opportunity to perform a speech in front of their peers in lesson. Speeches were followed by questions from members of the floor.

Pupils spoke about their viewpoints on education and addressed the motion, 'Education is not about what you learn at school, or what qualifications you gain; it is about what you learn from your experiences outside of school.'

The ability to speak confidently in front of an audience and articulate viewpoints is an extremely important life skill. The nine main speakers should be extremely proud of themselves: they spoke slowly, they used eye contact to engage their audience and they varied the intonation of their voice to emphasise key ideas

The contributions offered from the floor also helped to add to arguments and challenge the main speakers. A huge well done to everyone involved.

Mrs Lees



We are delighted that **Broughton High School is one of the top-performing schools for the second year in a row on HegartyMaths.** Only a small number of schools make the Super Schools list each year and it can only happen when the pupils in a school are inspired to apply serious elbow grease on their maths homework.

Hegarty Maths is now used in half the secondary schools in the country, so we are very proud to have achieved this award. Broughton has been awarded 'Super School' status due to the pupils completing a combined 15,000 MemRi goals throughout the year. Well done to all pupils!

In addition, we are only 1 of 4 schools to have received this award! The figures below show how our pupils performed this year:

- Questions answered by school: 535,073
  - Unique skills done well per pupil: 32
  - Hours per pupil: 15
  - Months of video watch by school: 2
  - MemRi goals achieved by school: 15,131
- Gold award!**

*Data compiled on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021*



Mr Peterson

# Where can I go for help and advice?



It's not always easy to admit it but we all need help sometimes. If you've got a problem or something you're worried about you'll find lots of people and places that can help here.

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



Are you worried about online sexual abuse or the way someone has been communicating with you online? Make a report to one of CEOP's Child Protection Advisors

[www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre](http://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre)

There is a saying that "a problem shared is problem halved" and sometimes you can feel better just talking to somebody about a problem. For details of organisations which offer help and support please refer to the Help and Advice PowerPoint on the school website at:

[Where can I go for help and advice?](#)

## United Utilities Road Closure Dates

(subject to change if delays are encountered).

### Woodplumpton Lane:

From Broughton Water Treatment Plant into the junction Popes Farm Lane (Before the sharp left-hand bend to Woodplumpton)

**July 15th – 1st September.**

Once in Popes Farm Lane Woodplumpton Lane will be re-opened.

### Popes Farm Lane:

(Private lane to 4 properties) off Woodplumpton Lane.

Closure: **1st September – 15 working days.**

Note: - A temporary access and egress route and resident car park is currently being created at the bottom of West Crescent. (off Northway).

This will be ready before 1<sup>st</sup> September.

### Langley Lane junction access from Whittingham Lane:

**11<sup>th</sup> October for a period of 7 working days.**

### Whittingham Lane just beyond Langley Lane up to Cookson's Livery and Stables:

(just before Short Lane – between Whittingham Lane and Langley Lane) **18<sup>th</sup> October – 22<sup>nd</sup> November.**



**BROUGHTON**  
HIGH SCHOOL

## **HOLIDAY PATTERN 2021-22**

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021	INSET DAY (1)
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021	School opens ( <i>Year 7 and Year 11 only</i> )
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2021	School opens ( <i>all Years</i> )
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	Open Evening ( <i>school closes 1.00pm</i> )
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	INSET DAY (2)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2021	School closes
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAYS</b>	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2021	School opens
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Bank Holiday in lieu of Queen's Jubilee
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	School closes at 1.00pm
<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS</b>	
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	School opens
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	School closes
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAYS</b>	
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2022	School opens
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022	School closes
<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	School opens
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022	May Bank Holiday
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	School closes
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAYS</b>	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	School opens
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	School closes at 1.00pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	INSET DAY (3)
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022	INSET DAY (4)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022	INSET DAY (5)