



4th January 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Happy New Year to you all. I hope you have all had a restful and relaxing Christmas break and have managed to keep safe and well during the festive period.

It was wonderful to see the children return to school today after the Christmas holidays. The atmosphere around school today has been excellent and it was a pleasure speaking to so many children about their Christmas experiences and their plans for the New Year. On the final day of term, Mr Bailey conducted 'Rewards Assemblies' where over 1000 certificates were given out to pupils in all years for 'Excellence' and 'Effort' in lessons. Form Tutor, Head of Year and Headteacher Awards were also given out to a number of worthy winners. Congratulations to all the children who received awards for last half term. My message to all pupils is to keep giving your best every day here at Broughton.

I am pleased to announce that our Governing Body has elected a new Chair of Governors after the recent retirement of Mrs Judith Fawbert after over 25 years in the role. Mrs Martine Morris, who has been a member of the governing body for a number of years, has had two daughters who were pupils at Broughton and has been our SEND link governor for the past few years, will now take up the post. I am sure you will join me in congratulating her on her new position and wishing her good luck. You may also remember that we advertised for a parent governor last term. I am pleased to announce that we had one candidate, Elizabeth Hamilton, who will now take up this position. Elizabeth has a wealth of experience in education and also has a son in Year 8. Many thanks for committing to this role Elizabeth, I am sure your work on the governing body will make a significant difference to the lives of the pupils here at Broughton.

Through our fundraising efforts last term, we are now able to donate £1361.63 to our chosen charity which is Teenage Cancer Trust. Thank you to all the pupils who have supported this charity through the non-uniform day and the number of reward points that were earned, each point equating to 1p. We will be asking the pupil council to choose a new this charity this week for the Spring term and I will inform you who this will be in next week's newsletter.

The theme for this week's assemblies is kindness and I will be asking the children to reflect on when they are kind to others and how they can use the power of kindness in their everyday lives. I hope through the assemblies I can remind them of the importance of kindness to each other, especially whilst using social media.

We received information from the Department of Education that, from Sunday 2 January, face coverings are to be worn in classrooms where pupils in Year 7 and above are educated. The advice is short term only, to support pupils and teachers as they return to school this term and builds on the existing proportionate guidance that recommends face coverings for all adults in communal areas of all settings. The advice on face coverings in classrooms will be in place until Wednesday 26 January, when Plan B regulations are currently scheduled to expire, at which point it will be reviewed. As a school we will be

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asking teachers and pupils to wear their masks unless they are exempt until we receive further guidance on or before the 26th January. Hopefully this will limit and reduce the spread of infection and assist us in ensuring both staff and pupils are able to attend school without having to isolate.

We have a busy term ahead with parents' evenings for Years 7, 8 and 10 and Mock Exam results for Year 11 pupils on Friday 14 January. Information will be sent out to you before the parents' evenings to inform you how to book your appointments and access the meeting on the evening. Attendance at parents' evening is extremely important and will give you an opportunity to discuss your child's progress and how they are doing in school. Please make every effort to attend, our attendance figures for parents' evenings are always well above 90%.

Pupils will be arriving home with coloured badges for their blazers today. Each year group will now be easily identified which will help us daily in school, especially in the slight staggering of lunches for pupils which we are trialling at the moment to speed up the lunch service at school. In addition to this, our new catering facility is nearing completion and we are hoping to open this in the next few weeks which will also ensure pupils can access their lunch much quicker.

As always please can I ask you to be courteous of our neighbours in Broughton village when you drop your children off in the morning and pick them up at the end of the day. Please do not park over driveways or block access and where possible turn off your engines to reduce emissions. Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated. Key dates for this term are as follows:

Year 7 Parents' Evening	Thursday 13 January
Year 11 Mock Exam Results Day	Friday 14 January
Year 10 Parents' Evening	Thursday 27 January
Year 8 Parents' Evening	Thursday 10 February
Year 11 Parents' Evening	Thursday 24 February
Year 9 Parents' Evening	Thursday 24 March

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to make contact. My email is botesd@broughtonhigh.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,



Mr David Botes
Headteacher

Career Opportunity

BAE Systems is set to hire over 300 apprentices and graduates in the Preston area in 2022.

The creation of the graduate and undergraduate roles in Warton, Samlesbury and Preston is part of the largest UK-wide intake of early careers roles the company has offered in a single year.

Representing a 25 per cent increase on this year's early careers intake, the recruitment comes as Ofsted has once again rated the company's 50-plus apprenticeship programmes as 'outstanding'.

Apprentices will have the opportunity to study and gain qualifications in a vast range of professions, including electronic systems design, cyber security, software development, aerospace engineering, accountancy and human resources.

Broughton has a long tradition of pupils leaving school and securing apprenticeships in many different sectors at 16 and older. Why not investigate this if you are one of our Y11 pupils considering apprenticeships.

The **closing date for apprentice applications is 28 February 2022**. There are multiple graduate intakes throughout the year, including January, June and September.

Find out more and apply on at: <https://www.baesystems.com/en/careers/careers-in-the-uk/apprenticeships>

Cycling Safety

A **reminder that if your son or daughter cycles to school**, as it continues to be darker in the morning and evening, **lights** will be necessary to prevent any accident.

Pupils who cycle to school, MUST wear a helmet and some high visibility clothing.

Be seen, be safe



School Aged Flu Vaccination Programme

IntraHealth are commissioned to provide the school flu vaccination programme, protecting school-aged children aged 4-15 years on 31st August 2021 (Reception-Year 11).

Any child who is in an **at-risk group** can be vaccinated with the GP or as part of the school's programme.

IntraHealth visit every school for a main flu vaccination session, and then once more for a catch-up, which is arranged for later in the season. There are also planned Community clinics provided in every area for those who miss the offer at school.

If your child missed having their flu vaccination in school. or if you have any other query, please contact your local IntraHealth Coordinator on tel: 0333 358 3397, choosing the appropriate option.



U12 Girls' Football

On Tuesday 14th December, the girls' u12 football team played their 4th game in the Lancashire Cup away at Bowland High in Clitheroe. Unbeaten in all competitions, the girls are playing some excellent football and confidence was high.

Broughton started the game pressing aggressively, which led to several early corners. The first couple were cleared successfully by Bowland, but it wasn't long until one of **Amy Beardwood's** superb deliveries was converted by the ever dangerous **Imogen Goodwin**. The early goal clearly knocked the opposition's confidence, having only conceded one goal in the competition up to this point. Minutes later **Imogen** made it 2-0, followed by **Grace Lochhead** making it 3-0 and Bowland looked like a defeated side. By half time it was 5-0 to Broughton, and the second half only brought more of the same. **Amara Jenkins Smith** added her name to the score sheet with a much deserved goal, as did **Kara Lee**, and although Bowland created more chances, they were calmly dealt with by **Isla Bledge, Lily Beetham** and **Elsie Kerley**.



The game finished 9-0 to Broughton (**Imogen 5, Grace 2, Amara 1, Kara 1**) with **goal of the game going to Imogen** for her first half volley from another fantastic **Amy Beardwood** corner.

Another fantastic team performance which sends **Broughton into the finals of the Lancashire Cup!** I believe the girls have all it takes to win the competition and bring the cup home to Broughton. Well done!

**Kara Lee, Elsie Kerley, Isla Bledge, Amy Beardwood, Lily Beetham,
Amara Jenkins Smith, Grace Lochhead, Imogen Goodwin.**

Mrs Rukin

Under 12 Basketball vs Archbishop Temple

After a long and difficult training and selection process, the Under 12 Basketball team played their first match against Archbishop Temple on Tuesday 14th December.

The match began at a rather slow pace, with both teams finding each other (and the rules!) out, resulting in a slender Archbishop lead after two quarters of 8-6. Broughton were encouraged to press higher up the court and trust each other more, and this unfortunately took the majority of the third quarter to come to fruition but once it did, Broughton looked a completely different team!

After the scoreline extended to 16-8 by the end of the third quarter, Broughton finally showed all of their skill and desire and utterly dominated the fourth quarter, leading to an 8-2 result for this quarter.

Sadly, the comeback effort wasn't quite enough with the game ending 18-14 to Archbishop who played well throughout the match, but there were plenty of positives to take for a young and inexperienced Broughton team. After playing a competitive match for the first time, the squad have developed their game knowledge and are determined to practice their shooting and passing plays after Christmas to hopefully achieve their first win soon!



Well done to the whole team:

**Hugh Smith (4), Laith Banihani, Sebastian Tatarasanu,
Hugo Thorpe, Charlie Smith (2), Joseph Oughton,
Charlie Longshaw, Riley Stansfield (8), Arthur Freye and Maaz Hussain.**

Mr Nayler

PE Extra-Curricular January - February 2022

After School 3-4pm

Tuesday

Girls' Table Tennis (all Years)
Girls' Netball (Year 7 and 8)
Boys' Basketball (Year 8 and 9)

Thursday

Girls' Indoor Cricket (all Years)
Boys' Table Tennis (Year 7 and 8)

Wednesday

Dance (all Years, 3.00-4.30pm)
Girls' Netball fixtures (Year 7 and 8)
Boys' Basketball (Year 7)

Friday

Girls' Netball (Years 9, 10 and 11)
Boys' Table Tennis (Years 9, 10 and 11)
Boys' Indoor Cricket (Years 8 and 9)

Broughton Christmas Community Event

On Wednesday, 15th December, the choir, band and community pupil voice group headed for the Toll Bar Cottage Café and the local Co-op to spread some Christmas cheer to the Broughton community. All our wonderful musicians and singers enjoyed playing and singing some Christmas favourites and they were so amazing that a crowd came to watch and listen to the performance.

As a member of the community pupil voice group, we also joined in to sing along to the carols and help create a festive mood. It was really pleasing to see so many people supporting us and to look at the smiles on everyone's faces. A huge thanks to all the teachers and pupils who made the event a fantastic experience.

Madison Wignall 10B said, "As someone who volunteers at the Toll Bar Café, the carolling was a wonderful experience. Giving a little back to the community of Broughton was so heart-warming and it was such a pleasure to be a part of the school band!"

Varsha Saravanan 10R



WORD OF THE WEEK

rondeau: noun

a short poem of fixed form, consisting of 13 or 10 lines with two rhymes and having the opening words or phrase used in two places as an unrhymed refrain.

Example

An Example of Rondeau Poetry is the First World War poem called 'In Flanders Fields', written by John McCrae in 1915.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

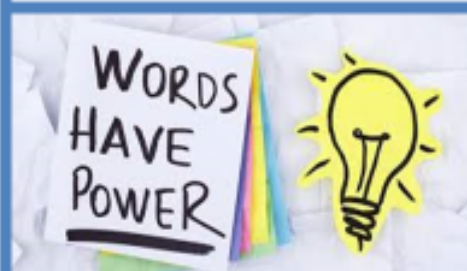
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Synonyms

ballad,
verse.

SCHOOL SYNERGY



National
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Paramedic

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£24,214 - £37,267 per year



36-38 hours per week on average



There are no set entry requirements but it may help you to get in if you have:

4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C) and college qualifications like A levels for a degree apprenticeship



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Online Safety Newsletter

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Smart TV / Streaming services

There are so many TV streaming services available now such as Netflix, Prime, Apple TV, Now TV and Disney as well as more families having Smart TVs, which connect to the internet and allow you to download apps and access YouTube for example. This means our children potentially have access to a lot more content, some of which may not always be appropriate to watch.

If your child does access content through these services then, as always, make sure you set parental controls so they can only view content that is suitable for their age.

Each service will have their own parental control settings with most of them using a Parental PIN so you can restrict what can be viewed (and purchased in some cases).



TikTok

You must be over 13 years of age to use TikTok.

Users can watch musical clips, record clips (it includes lots of lip synching and dancing), edit them and add special effects.

Why should I be concerned?

You need to be aware that some of the videos may contain explicit language and sexual imagery, which may not be suitable for your child to view. There is also the risk of strangers contacting your child so make sure you have set up the appropriate settings.

If your child is using TikTok then we recommend setting the account as private (this is the default setting for users under 16 since Jan 2021). Even with a private account, your child's profile information such as their photo and bio are still visible so ensure your child understands the importance of not adding personal information (e.g. location, age and phone numbers) to this area. This article explains how you can strengthen your privacy settings and what features are turned off by default for accounts for children aged 13 – 15: <https://newsroom.tiktok.com/en-us/strengthening-privacy-and-safety-for-youth>

Family Pairing

This allows parents to link their own TikTok account to their child's account. This will allow you to set controls such as restricted mode (limit the appearance of inappropriate content) and screen time management (control how long they can spend on TikTok each day). You can find out more here: <https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en/guardians-guide/>

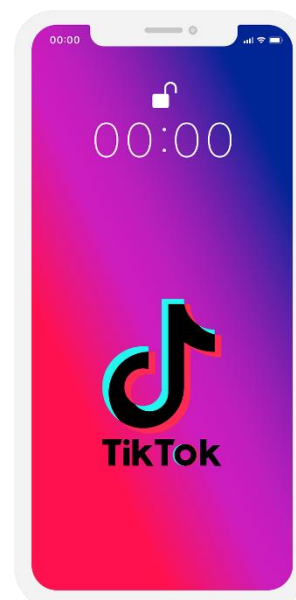
Challenges and Trends

Lots of them are fun and not harmful but sometimes they can be risky. TikTok have produced this resource to help you talk to your child about challenges and the potential risks: <https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en-sg/online-challenges/>.

Blocking and Reporting

As with similar apps, there is the ability to report and block other users so ensure your child knows how to use these features:

- <https://support.tiktok.com/en/safety-hc/report-a-problem>
- <https://support.tiktok.com/en/using-tiktok/followers-and-following/blocking-the-users>



Fortnite

An update

Is your child playing Fortnite? **It is rated PEGI 12 for frequent mild violence which means it is not suitable for persons under 12 years of age.**

It is important to remember that when rating games, PEGI do not take into consideration the communication features of a game. Fortnite does include a chat facility, which adds further risks.

What is Fortnite?

There are different versions of Fortnite, including a free-to-play Battle Royale game (although money can be spent within the game) where up to 100 players compete against each other.

What do I need to be aware of?

- **Chatting to strangers and inappropriate language:** Fortnite contains voice and text chat. Due to the nature of the game, your child may be chatting to strangers and may hear inappropriate language. Ensure your child knows how to report players for any inappropriate behaviour.
- **In app purchases:** All users can purchase V-Bucks directly through the game. This currency can be used to purchase items in the Fortnite store so make sure you don't store your payment details within the game/device and restrict purchases.

Parental Controls

Fortnite includes several parental controls to help you make it a safer environment for your child including disabling voice chat, filtering language and setting privacy settings. Find out more about parental controls here: <https://www.epicgames.com/fortnite/en-US/parental-controls>. **Also, remember to set up age-appropriate parental controls on the device your child is playing on as well.**

Further information

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/gaming-consoles/fortnite-chapter-2-battle-royale-parental-controls-guide/>

Gurls Out Loud

Gurls Out Loud is a new campaign from the Internet Watch Foundation, which sets out to educate girls that requests for nude images are not ok and what they should do if it happens to them. The campaign introduces 3 clear steps:

1. Block
2. Report
3. Tell someone you trust

The website also includes information on how to spot the signs of online sexual abuse as well as links to organisations that can provide further support should you need it. Find out more here: <https://gurloutloud.com/>

The Manatee app – Mental Health

Manatee have developed a mental health app to help you and your family. The app includes courses, tips, interactive exercises and tools to help you achieve set goals for your family.

You can find out more here: <https://getmanatee.com/theapp>

Apple Guided Access / Android Screen pinning

Does your child use your phone at times? Both Apple and Android give you the ability to restrict what can be accessed when they are using it, so you can restrict your device to the one app that your child would like to use (so all other features are disabled).

Use the following links to find out how to set it up:

Apple:
<https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT202612>

Android:
<https://support.google.com/android/answer/9455138?hl=en-GB>

Internet safety checklist for teens

This webpage includes a checklist to help support your teen (14+) with their online life. Find out more here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/14plus/>

