

14th October 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Last night we held our first Year 7 Parents' Evening. It was wonderful to see so many of our new parents in school meeting their child's form tutor to receive an update on how they have settled into life at Broughton High School. Our new Year 7 cohort have made a fantastic first impression and I am sure they will continue to work hard and 'get involved' in all aspects of school life. The resounding message from parents last night was that they were happy with their choice of school for their child. Attendance at the parents' evening last night was just over 95%.

Attendance continues to be a real focus in school and we are pleased to see that our whole school attendance continues to be extremely impressive and significantly above the National Average (+3.6%.). Attending school every day is one of the most important factors that allows pupils to make the necessary academic progress. Thank you for your continued efforts to ensure your children are in school every day.

On Tuesday evening, members of the English and Drama department took over 70 Year 11 pupils to the Theatre to see 'Blood Brothers'. It was a wonderful opportunity for the pupils to see the book that they are studying come to life on the stage. Thank you to all the staff involved in the organisation of the trip.

The deadline for applications for the new positions of Parent Governor is Monday 17th October at 12 noon. These appointments are extremely important to us as a school and we are hopeful to fill the four vacancies available which will ensure our Governing Body continues to be full. If you would like to discuss the role of the Parent Governor please drop me an email and I will be happy to discuss the position with you further.

Congratulations to Lydia Grange, who is one of our Year 11 pupils, on her selection to represent West Lancashire Scouts at the World Jamboree which is being held in South Korea in July 2023. Lydia will be joining 40 other scouts from the West Lancashire area and 50000 scouts from across the world. I know this will be a wonderful opportunity for Lydia and I look forward to hearing about her experiences when she returns to collect her GCSE results in August 2023. Well done Lydia.

I have spent a significant amount of time visiting lessons this week, especially in our current Year 11 and Year 7 cohort and I have to praise the pupils for their levels of commitment and hard work when they are in class. I was especially impressed with the mature manner in which all our pupils interact with their classmates and their teachers. The standard of presentation in books and in e-portfolios and the quality of homework that was completed was very impressive. Please spend some time asking your children to show you their books and the work they are completing in class. I am sure you will be impressed.

As mentioned last week, a reminder that we have been notified that Woodplumpton Road will be closed from October to Christmas to install speed restriction measures. School buses will be allowed to pass through but no other vehicles. Please be mindful of this when planning your journeys to and from school.

On Friday 21st October, we will be holding our end of half term rewards assemblies. Every class teacher has nominated a pupil for excellence and for effort in their subject with a number of pastoral awards also being presented. Each year group will have an individual presentation assembly during the morning and will receive certificates and prizes for their efforts.

Headteacher: Mr David Botes

It is also impressive to see so many children working towards the 'Best at Broughton Award'. This is an award the pupils will work on throughout the year with the aim of completing all aspects of the challenge. To achieve this award pupils will need to complete all eight challenges below.

1. Achieve at least a **bronze award** for academic and pastoral achievement in school.

- 2. Have great **attendance**: This must be across a term.
- 3. Evidence of **reading** at least 3 extra-curricular **books**.
- 4. **Support** a parents' evening, open night or event that shows willingness and commitment.
- 5. Attend a **club or team activity** over a minimum of 4 sessions.
- 6. Support a **charity** by promoting or helping raise funds.
- 7. **Help out** in a chosen area of school in the pupil's own time.
- 8. Feature in the **school newsletter** or receive a **praise postcard**.

Every pupil who manages to achieve this award will receive one of our new 'Best at Broughton' badges to wear on their blazer.

Key dates are as follows:

School closes for half term School opens Year 11 Parents' Evening School closed for INSET Day School closes for Christmas at 1.00pm School opens Year 7 Parents' Evening School closes for half term School opens Year 11 Parents' Evening Year 9 Parents' & Options Evening School closes for Easter School opens Year 10 Parents' Evening School closes for May Bank Holiday Year 8 Parents' Evening School closes for half term

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If you ever need to contact me about any aspect of school life please email me and I will always try to respond as soon as possible (botesd@broughtonhigh.co.uk).

Yours sincerely,

Mr David Botes Headteacher

BROUGHTON HIGH SCHOOL

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Mathematics

Years 7, 8, 9

- 1. The four types of shape transformation are **reflection**, **rotation**, **translation** and **enlargement**.
- 2. An arithmetic sequence is **made by adding the same value each time**.
- 3. Length x width x height = the volume of a cuboid.
- 4. A reflex angle is an angle between 180 and 360 degrees.
- 5. There are **100 centilitres** in a litre.
- 6. To find the median of a set of numbers, write them in order and find the middle number.
- 7. Base x perpendicular height = the area of a parallelogram.
- 8. The view of a 3D object from above is called **the plan**.
- 9. Arrowheads are drawn on lines to show they are parallel.
- 10. **Hypotenuse** is the name for the longest side of a right-angled triangle.

Years 7 and 8	Learn these 10 facts for the test.	
Test on Wednesday 19 October	How are you going to remember the answers?	
<u>Year 9</u>	✓ write them down✓ say them out loud	
Test on Thursday 20 October	✓ get someone to test you	

Lancashire Hockey Success



Olivia Newman-Kirk has been selected to represent Lancashire in the U14 hockey squad this season.

44 girls attended the two trial dates and Olivia has made it through to the final 18.

A fantastic achievement.

Well done Olivia and good luck for the season!

Mrs Rukin

U14 Girls' Football

On Tuesday 11th October, the U14 girls' football team played away at Bowland High School in the second round of the English Schools' Cup.

Broughton started the game quite nervy and despite going 1-0 up through **Izzy Harrop**, struggled to keep hold of the ball and create clear goal scoring opportunities. Just before half time, a clearance from **Evie Lee** struck an onrushing Bowland player and rebounded into the back of the net to make it 1-1.

After half time, Broughton came out more aggressive and with some changes to the forward line and central midfield, Broughton started to play some nice football. A long range shot from **Amy Beardwood** made it 2-1, and then a goal from the ever dangerous **Imogen Goodwin** followed to make it 3-1. Broughton were now in control of the game and adjusted defensively to stop the counter attack threat. More goals soon followed from **Grace Lochhead, Olivia Newman-Kirk** and **Imogen Goodwin** to finish the game 6-1.



Broughton will play away at Haslingden High in round 3 on Tuesday 1st November.

Well done to all the girls involved.

Team: Alex Latham, Evie Lee, Kara Lee, Tabitha Lamoury, Lilly Beetham, Amy Beardwood, Grace Lochhead, Olivia Newman-Kirk, Olivia Rankin, Isabelle Harrop, Imogen Goodwin

Mrs Rukin

Blood Brothers

On Tuesday 11th October, over 70 Year 11 pupils watched an evening performance of Blood Brothers, at the Winter Gardens, Blackpool. Needless to say, it was thoroughly enjoyed by all, with many pupils being particularly impressed by the both the acting and singing.



This was a great foundational way to revise the key plot of the play, ahead of the mock examinations. Thank you to all staff and pupils who attended.

Mrs Armstrong

PTFA (AGM) MEETING

Wednesday 19th October 2022 at 5.30pm in the Oak Meeting Room, at Visitor Reception

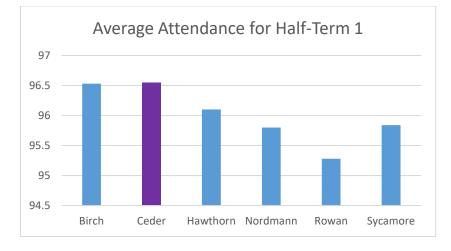
All Welcome

Our recently recreated Houses are represented across the school as tutor groups:

B: Birch C: Cedar H: Hawthorn N: Nordmann R: Rowan S: Sycamore

Since the start of term, all pupils who have had a full week's attendance have been given an attendance point on Synergy.

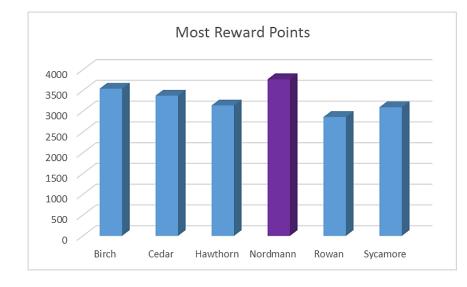
The results of our first half term, up to the 14th October, are below.



Well done **Cedar** you are the **half term champions** for **attendance**.

Reward Points

Reward points have also been collected for: academic, pastoral and getting involved with all aspects of school life including helping out.



The results below show the house with the most points to date.

Well done Nordmann you are the half term champions for reward points.

Wellbeing - Pupils

This week is all about finding the right balance.

School-Life Balance

What do you need to do?

- Plan and set goals
- Set a weekly to do list
- Avoid perfectionism
- Set standards that are high but achievable
- Prioritise your work
- Monitor positive and negative thoughts
- Enjoy the process, not just the outcome
- View mistakes as an opportunity for learning and growth.

C Law Roots Counselling

Your Time at Home

Make time to look after yourself.

- Get enough sleep
- Exercise
- Find ways to relax
- Eat a healthy diet
- Listen to music
- Find a hobby
- Ask for help
- Spend time with family and friends
- Surround yourself with supportive people
- Practice positive talk
- Have fun
- Bond with a pet
- Turn off your phone

WORD OF THE WEEK

week commencing 10th October

repudiate: noun

reject as having no authority or binding force.

<u>Example</u>

Despite his claims of innocence, he did very little to **repudiate** the allegations made against him.

Synonyms

abandon, dismiss, renounce.

<u>Antonym</u>

accept.

WORDS HAVE POWER

SCHOOL SYNERGY

App Competitions

The aim of the app is to have useful/important information available to pupils quickly by directing them to the relevant resources. Topics will include knife crime, mental health, going missing, cyber bullying, reporting hate crime and drugs, sexual health etc. The app will also have an area that is a "What's On" area for teenagers including all clubs and one-off events.

There are two competitions with the chance to win a £25 Amazon voucher.

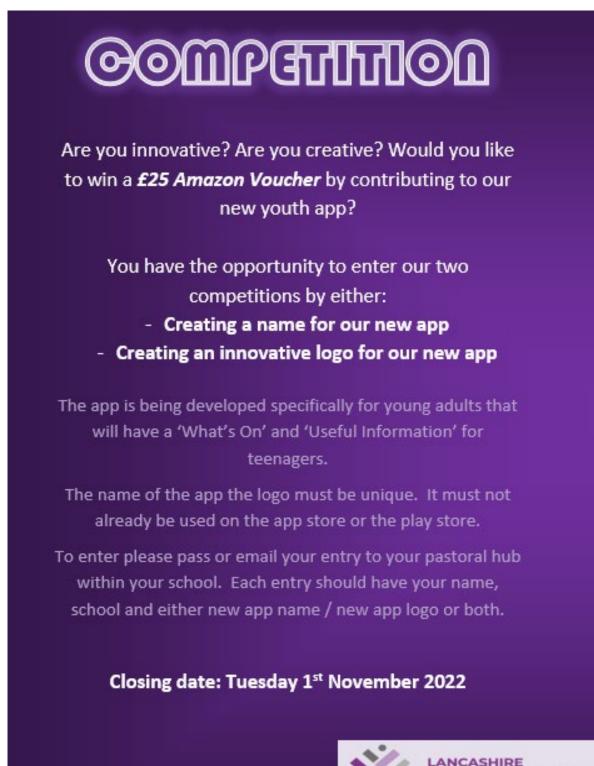
- One is for a pupil to **<u>name the app</u>**
- The other is for them to **<u>create a logo for the app</u>**.

Initially the app will be launched in Preston and depending on the success will be rolled out throughout Lancashire and could become a national app. Please see the details below.

Mrs Bamber

/IOLENCE REDUCTION

NETWORK





Bake Sale

On 21st October in

the Senior Dining Hall

In support of Baby Beat and in memory across Lancashire & South Cumbria of any babies we have lost in our lives, a bake sale is being held.



All money raised is donated straight to Baby Beat who raise money for babies and families. I myself benefited from their charity as a baby and so have my sisters. On the 20th it marks my sister in heaven Millie Roses' 3rd birthday, and I decided to take over the fundraising for a charity that helps with baby and infant loss awareness this year.

The suggested donation for all cakes, biscuits, blondies etc. will be £1 but any other donations would be much appreciated!

Kaitlynn McCann



PERFORM | CREATE | TEACH

CALL FOR NEW PLAYERS- GIRLS AGED 11-17 come and watch our girls teams this weekend and see GIRLS CAN PLAY RUGBY TOO!

Garstang Rugby Club

Hudson Park, Off High St, Garstang, PR3 1EB www.garstangrugbyclub.co.uk Garstang RUFC OGGarstangrugby VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR CONTACT INFORMATION

HOME GAMES GRUFC GIRLS U12 U14 U16

THIS SUNDAY 16TH OCTOBER K.O. 11am

GIVE RUGBY A TRY

"A friendly, thriving club, where you can develop friendships, skills and gain success" Will Greenwood, Colts Captain 2022

CALL FOR NEW JUNIOR PLAYERS 4-17yrs we have a thriving and inclusive junior section of over 200 players and welcome new players throughout the season. Come down, get stuck in and see what rugby's all about!



Garstang Rugby Club Hudson Park, Off High St, Garstang, PR3 1EB www.garstangrugbyclub.co.uk Garstang RUFC OGGarstangrugby

- >>> TEAMWORK
- >>> RESPECT
- >>> ENJOYMENT
- >>> DISCIPLINE

Text/call Junior Chair- Helen Williams 07546844077 or visit website/socials for more info

LIBRARY NEWS - HALF TERM 1

The first half term of this academic year has seen lots going on in the library. It has been lovely to welcome our new Year 7s, who have borrowed over 500 books between them so far. A fantastic start, keep up the brilliant reading Year 7!



Our displays and quizzes have seen us celebrating **Banned Books Week** (where we celebrated our freedom to read), **Halloween** (where we are offering pupils the chance to borrow one of our mystery 'Trick or Treat' books, our identity with our **Who Am I** display and **Black History Month**.



Our biggest display, however, was created by our wonderfully creative Year 7s with their entries to

our Year 7 competition '**Our Favourite Books**.' We asked our Year 7s to celebrate their favourite book by creating something colourful and received lots of inventive entries. Well-deserved congratulations must go to all pupils who took part. **Mr Botes** had an extremely difficult time choosing a winner but after much consideration decided upon the following:

1st: **Vivienne Harlow 7C** for her intricate recreation of a scene from 'The Bramble Mice series'.

2nd: **Anabia Siddiqui 7B** for a sparkle-filled celebration of the Dork Diaries.

3rd Aliyah Ahmed 7R for a wonderful pencil drawing of Ron Weasley.

All three were awarded prizes of books/book token and chocolate by **Mr Botes**. Synergy points and Broughton pens were also awarded to all other entrants in recognition of their fantastic efforts.





Book Buzz is a reading programme from Book Trust that aims to help schools inspire a love of reading in Year 7 and Year 8 pupils. Pupils are given the opportunity to choose their own book to take home and keep from a list of 17 titles selected by a panel of experts.

Last week saw us meeting up for the first time with our Year 7 **Book Buzz** group. We gathered together in the library and watched a video of all the authors

featured this year. After much discussion (and toast and juice!) each pupil selected the book they liked the most. In total, 50 of our pupils across Years 7 and 8 will be taking part and we will be meeting again before the end of term to hand out the chosen titles. Thanks go to **Mr Webster** for all of his assistance.

In other news, lots of Year 7s came into the library to collect their goodie bag after completing the Broughton Library **Summer Reading Challenge**. Each goodie bag contained a free book, pencil, bookmark and praise postcard. A big thank you to all of those who completed the challenge.

Finally, there are lots of new books coming into the library so do please encourage your children to come in and choose something to borrow. For further reading activities, suggestions and links why not check out the LRC page on Firefly. Keep reading!

Music Department News

Parents will probably now be aware that we have moved to a new online system for managing our peripatetic instrumental lessons here at Broughton, using a system called 'PracticePal' (<u>www.practicepalmusic.com</u>)



The system will help us manage instrumental lessons as it integrates with our register system. This allows it to automatically check which subjects pupils have left for instrumental lessons and avoids scheduling lessons for this time the following week. It also keeps an eye on attendance, allows our visiting music team to communicate with you securely and also enables you to keep an eye on whether your son or daughter has attended their music lesson and ensemble rehearsals! Staff also get a daily email with a list of pupils who are leaving their lessons for instrumental lessons and, should there be an issue, are able to let the department know so we can quickly make adjustments to the timetable.

Parents will receive an email/notification letting them know when lessons are scheduled for the week. This information is also available in the app or on the website:

Lessons		
Upcoming lessons	Past lesson reports	
🛗 11 October 2022, 14	:00 - 14:20	🞓 Brent Forbes

The peripatetic team will also send messages via the **'Past lesson reports'** tab. Teachers are also able to film or audio record pupils so that you are able to listen to the progress of your son/daughter in lessons. Further down the line, you may also be able to pay for lessons via the system. However, for the time being the peripatetic team will continue with the systems that they individually have in place.

Pupils will also receive an email to their school address with lesson times, but I highly recommend that they **download the app from the App Store (iOS) or Play Store (Android)** so that they can create an account using the code from the top of your parent page (example shown). That way, they will receive a notification to their phone before school on the day of their lesson.



First of all, apologies to those parents who received an invite to sign up 20 times! There was a glitch at the company's end which resulted in this. This has been fixed now so shouldn't happen again.

Practice sessions

Parents can ignore the 'Practice sessions' section of the system. This is for additional guided sessions which we are not using.

Hopefully, this will help parents and pupils better manage their instrumental lessons and allow for a much closer monitoring of attendance as well as communication with the team.

If you haven't received an invite, please can you send me an email to let me know and I will resend your invite (<u>shepherds@broughtonhigh.co.uk</u>).

If you have any questions or any feedback, please don't hesitate to get in touch!



This section of the newsletter informs pupils and parents of the latest careers news, events held in school and opportunities further afield. Links to external employers and training providers can be accessed by clicking on the links <u>underlined</u>. Any careers queries can be directed to Mr Lord by email lord@broughtonhigh.co.uk

<u>Job of the week</u>

Firefighter

Firefighters help to protect people from fire and other dangers, and give advice on fire prevention.

Salary – £24,000-32,000

Typical Hours – 41-43 hours per week including weekends and bank holidays

Find out more information on this career path via the National Careers Website <u>here.</u>

Click to watch a small information video

NOTICES

Whole school careers fair

The annual schools' careers fair will take place on **Thursday 24th November 2022**. All pupils will have access to local and national employers in addition to local college and post 16 training providers.

CALLING PARENTS – If your place of work would like to get involved in the careers fair, offering our pupils an insight in into opportunities post 16, please contact Mr Lord for more information. <u>lordc@broughtonhigh.co.uk</u>

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION

According to Nomis, the average hourly payrate in Preston for full time workers is £13.95, whilst the UK average hourly rate is £15.65. For more information on Preston's Labour Market Information a full report from Nomis can be found <u>here.</u>







Careers Club has been launched to give our pupils the time to search, explore and evaluate their options post-16.

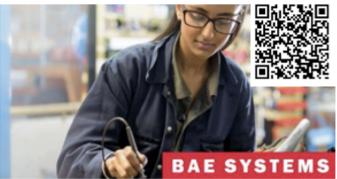
This is open to all year groups.

With access to the computer suite, pupils are free to search for options, apply for positions, complete their CV and develop their employability. There is a weekly focus, so pupils can gain further insight to various careers paths.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Women in Engineering Insight Experience

January & February 2023



This week's focus was based around a careers insight provided by BAE Systems, aimed at improving the gender imbalance within the engineering sector. A number of pupils attended careers club and signed up for the event. If your child would like more information or would like to sign up for the event please scan the QR code or click this <u>link</u>.

