



21st December 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As the first term of the academic year draws to a close and we finish for the Christmas break, I want to say a huge thank you to you all for your wonderful continued support for Broughton High School. Your support is evident on a daily basis and by continuing to work together we can all ensure that Broughton High School continues to go from strength to strength.

Thank you also to all the school Governors for all the hard work they do behind the scenes and also to the members of the PTFA. We have a very supportive Governing Body and PTFA which was clearly evident at the most recent Year 7 Family Social Event. The support of parents, Governors and PTFA members is greatly appreciated. It has been a truly exceptional term for all involved with Broughton High School.

We have had a number of significant events this term including our former Year 11's achieving amazing examination results, our new Year 7's visiting an Outdoor Education Centre for their first team building day, trips to parliament, the theatre and the Imperial War Museum, hosting a superb Open Evening for prospective parents, our first Duke of Edinburgh Awards Evening and our final celebration with former Year 11 pupils at Awards Evening. There continues to be a host of activities both during the school day and after 3pm that pupils are encouraged to 'get involved' in and I am pleased to say so many pupils have actively taken part in one or more of these opportunities. Our school motto 'Achieving Together' certainly encapsulates the academic year so far!

This week the pupils have been on their end of term reward trips, with Year 7 watching the pantomime 'Beauty and the Beast' in Blackpool, Year 8 and 9 visiting Vue Cinema to watch the new film 'Wonka' and Year 10 and 11 spending the morning bowling at Red Rose Bowl. The pupils were an absolute credit to the school during the trips and must be congratulated on their conduct, excellent behaviour and superb manners. We also held our end of term rewards assemblies yesterday and today where a huge number of pupils were recognised for their academic and pastoral efforts and achievements in school this half term.

I hope you all have a happy, healthy Christmas and a successful New Year.

We return to school on Monday 8th January at 8.40am.

Key dates are as follows:

School re-opens	Monday 8 January 2024
Year 11 Mock Results Day	Friday 19 January 2024
Year 11 Parents' Evening	Thursday 8 February 2024
Year 10 Parents' Evening	Thursday 14 March 2024
Year 7 Parents' Evening	Thursday 28 March 2024
Year 9 Parents' & Options Evening	Thursday 18 April 2024
Year 8 Parents' Evening	Thursday 25 April 2024

Yours sincerely,

Mr David Botes
Headteacher

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This week we held our end of term rewards assemblies for each year group.

In the assemblies, Mr Bailey highlighted the successes of so many children and presented certificates for their efforts and achievements this half term.

The pupils have raised funds for the *Healing Little Hearts* charity as a result of their positive Synergy points this term.



Year 9 Football

The Year 9 team experienced an extremely successful run in the English Schools FA cup this year, reaching the last 64 which is an amazing achievement.

We came up against a strong Clitheroe Royal Grammar School team who just edged past us with a 4-2 win. However, the boys represented school to the highest level and can be extremely proud of their achievements so far.

We still have the Lancashire School's and Preston Cup to compete in when we return and I have no doubt the boy's success will continue in them. Well done!

Mr Cowen



Academic Taster Sessions



What's Happening?

Magdalene College is thrilled to announce upcoming online academic taster sessions in January 2024. Dive into the world of Cambridge subjects led by Magdalene Fellows.

Who's Invited?

Year 11 pupils in UK state-maintained schools.

Save the Date!

You can register your interest for these events via the link below, to be notified when applications open.

https://cambridge.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9FjegVensriMJAq

Applications will close in January 2024.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES - P.E.		
	<u>Lunch – 1:25pm-1:55pm</u>	<u>After-School – 3pm-4pm</u>
<u>Monday</u>		
<u>Tuesday</u>	GCSE Table Tennis league	Basketball (Y10/11) – Sports Hall Table Tennis competition (details on pupil notices) – Gym
<u>Wednesday</u>		Table Tennis (Y8/9) - Gym Basketball (Y8/9) – Sports Hall Hockey (Y7/8) - Astro
<u>Thursday</u>	Dance (Y7/8) – Gym	Table Tennis competition (details on pupil notices) – Gym GCSE Badminton – Sports Hall Running Club (All Years) – PE Yard Hockey (Y9/10/11) – Astro
<u>Friday</u>		Myerscough Basketball (Y7 boys/girls) – Sports Hall American Flag Football (Y7/8/9) – Astro Table Tennis (Y10/11) – Gym

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL CLUBS ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE

Late Bus

The late bus **operates every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** at a charge of 60p per pupil per journey.

Pupils are able to use their bus passes and return tickets.

The service **departs from Broughton at 4.25pm**, allowing pupils to stay late to complete school work or participate in activities after school.

Year 8 Reading Ambassador Recommendation

Priya Anantharachagan

To all the boys I loved before - by Jenny Han

Is the epic tale of a girl living her teenage life and is also a film on Netflix. It is a young adult romance novel and you will have to fight to not to put it down.

Nathalia Buttface by Nigel Smith – for those who love comedy!

It is always great to hear any recommendations you have.

If you have read a book that you think other pupils will enjoy, please email Mrs Armstrong with the title, author and why you recommend the book: armstrongk@broughtonhigh.co.uk

Synergy points are awarded for all submissions and you will feature in the newsletter!

Collection of Food Tins for the Food Bank

10B would like to thank you for all the donations of tins that have been brought into school, over the last couple of weeks for the Luv Preston food bank. There have been over 300 tins donated which is very generous and will go and help people in Preston this Christmas. The prize draw for the selection boxes was made on Tuesday morning and congratulations to the following winners. **Jack Lauke 7S, Aadil Vorajee 7S, Mia Leyland 8R, James Wilcock 11S and Antonio Iglesias-Leeming 11H.**

We delivered the tins to Mr & Mrs McVicar at Luv Preston on Tuesday morning, helped by members of 10B, **Lexie Downham, Lanie-Mae Rubery, Ahmed Mota-Bobat and Tadiwanashe Chaparadza.**



Sports Leaders 23/24

This year saw the launch of our new sports leaders' programme, in which pupils have been able to offer help and gain experience in and around the PE department. The pupils had to apply for this role and all of the applications received were fantastic. Since September, they have carried out their duties to the highest standard and have been a fantastic help to the PE team, we look forward to this continuing when we return in the new year. As part of their role, they received a special PE top that they wear to show their role within the school; something which they can be extremely proud of.

We carried out our first Christmas rewards trip for sports' leaders on Monday evening, with a trip to Nando's which was very much enjoyed by all!

We look forward to this programme growing over future years, but for now well done to the following pupils and keep up the hard work!

- **Molly Taylor**
- **Oliver Blackwell**
- **Olivia Rankin**
- **Matthew English**
- **Olivia Newman-Kirk**
- **Sam Willingale**
- **Austin Allen**
- **Alice Chapman**
- **Isaac Allen**
- **Nina Finley**
- **Johnny Stanley**
- **Hannah Wilcock**
- **Tadiwanashe Chaparadza**
- **Charlie Hamilton**
- **Imogen Vickers**
- **Katie Parker**
- **Aebha Bayliss**



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Captivating Concert Experience

On Wednesday 20th December, fellow 'Swifties' joined together across all year groups to watch (and obviously sing along to!) the **Taylor Swift: Eras Tour**.

By watching the tour in school, we not only enjoyed the music but also made a collective impact. The funds raised have been donated to *Healing Little Hearts*, our school charity for this term.

Thank you to everyone who attended – it really was a joy to watch!

Mrs Armstrong

Swifties



The Eras Tour



Winter WONDERLAND

Activities

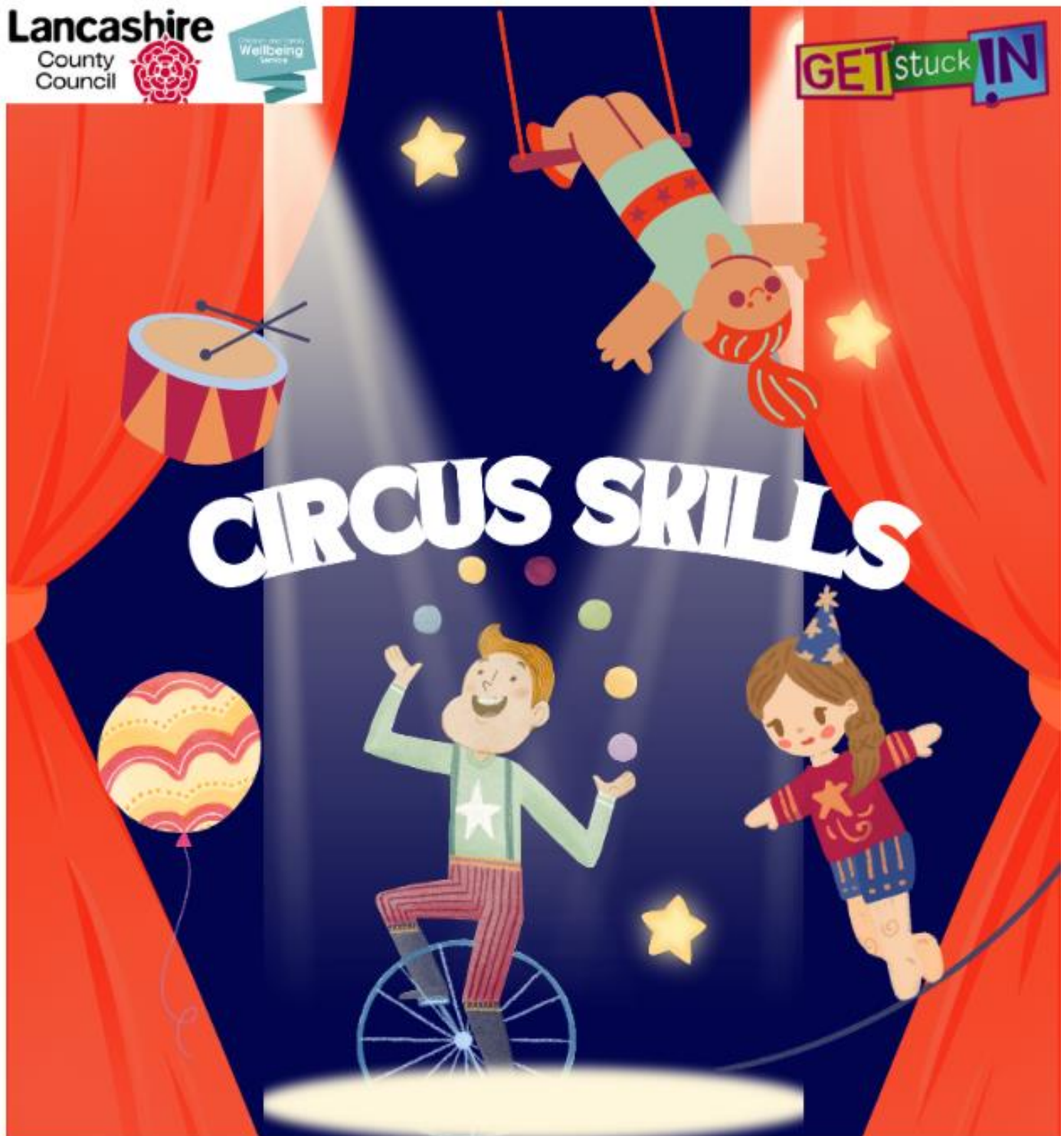
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Council



**Thursday 4th January
10:00am- 3:00pm**

**Preston Central Neighbourhood Centre
Brieryfield Road, Preston, PR1 8SR**

**Please call 01772 531948 or email
cfwprestongroups@lancashire.gov.uk to book
your place!**



Thursday 28th December, 10:00-3:00pm.
Moor Nook Children and Family Wellbeing
Services, Burholme Road, Ribbleton, Preston
PR2 6HN.

**Please visit <https://getstuckin.org.uk/> to book
your place! (Booking goes live 1st December)**