



19th April 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I hope you all managed to have a restful Easter break with your families. It was wonderful to see the pupils returning to school this week, rested and refreshed after the Easter holiday. It has been an extremely positive first week back in school and it is clear that the pupils have returned with real energy towards their learning and involvement in extra-curricular clubs. There has been a superb atmosphere around school and in lessons this week which is something we occasionally take for granted but something that is always mentioned by the many visitors we have in school. Our pupils are a genuine credit to the school and their families.

Last night we held our Year 9 Parents' Evening and Options Evening and welcomed Year 9 pupils and their families into school. As always, it was a very positive experience for both pupils and parents and extremely well attended with well over 90% attendance on the evening. The final parents' evening of the year will be for Year 8 pupils and will be held on Thursday 25th April from 4pm. It is vitally important that pupils attend this evening with their parents to hear the important information that is shared. Pupils attending must wear full school uniform.

As well as the start of GCSE exams next week for our Year 11 pupils, our end of year exams and assessments are fast approaching for Years 7-10. Over the next two weeks we will be providing all pupils with a revision plan and a timetable along with a simple planner for them to organise their revision time efficiently. Agreeing some 'house rules' in advance about revision is always extremely productive. Simple things such as turning off mobile phones during revision to avoid distraction and taking regular breaks can significantly help with concentration and retention. Mr Webster will be holding 'How to Revise' assemblies for all pupils in Years 7-10. In class, teachers will also be sharing ideas about the most effective ways to revise in their subject with pupils.

Next week's assemblies focus on 'Positive Relationships' and we will be asking the pupils to reflect on the importance of building positive relationships with the people around them; friends, classmates, teachers and family members. We will also be highlighting the importance of using social media in a positive way and the issues that can arise from using social media in a negative way, especially in friendship groups.

For the first time this year, Broughton High School entered The Aristotelian Award research essay competition run by The Perse School Cambridge. This competition is aimed at Year 9 pupils across the UK and is divided into two sections – arts/humanities and sciences – with a choice of five essay titles in each category. The Aristotelian Award has been set up to promote the independent study skills in Year 9 pupils while simultaneously providing an avenue to explore super-curricular interests in the arts, humanities and sciences. This is the first year Broughton have participated in this and all of our entrants have performed exceptionally well. Seven pupils entered in total with Seth Wilcock achieving the outstanding achievement of finishing in the top 5 nationwide for his essay in the Science category. Seth's essay answered the question, "to what extent can we regard Nuclear Fusion as the solution to the world's energy crisis?" and was highly commended for his superb efforts. He also received a £20 as a prize. Congratulations to: Seth Wilcock, Annabel Cooke, Lucy Dewhirst, Cameron Hudson, Hemanshu Kayam, Naomi Olive and Ella Syversen.

Headteacher: Mr David Botes

After a very successful few weeks of football fixtures I am pleased to announce that the following teams are through to the finals at Deepdale:

- U12 Girls
- U14 Girls
- U16 Girls
- U12 Boys
- U14 Boys

This is an amazing achievement for all involved and we can't wait to support them when they play in the cup finals at Deepdale later in the term. We still have two semi-final games for the U15 and U16 Boys to be played so we may be adding to this this list of finalists in next week's newsletter. Well done to all the players and the members of staff in the PE Department. The dates for the finals are Tuesday 7th May & Wednesday 8th May, both after-school. Once we have confirmed times for the matches, I will let you know.

Key dates are as follows:


Year 8 Parents' Evening	Thursday 25 April 2024
PTFA Meeting at 6.00pm	Thursday 23 May 2024
Year 11 Leavers' Ball	Friday 21 June 2024
PTFA Sponsored Walk (Years 7, 8, 9, 10)	Friday 5 July 2024

Yours sincerely,



Mr David Botes
Headteacher

Learn it CHALLENGE

Every week, pupils in **Years 7, 8 and 9** are given  different, relevant facts, with the challenge of learning and remembering all ten facts for the following week, when they will be tested on them by their form tutor.

Pupils can access the challenge via notices on Synergy.

The next test will be on these days ...

Years 7 and 8
Wednesday
24th April

Year 9
Thursday
25th April

Drama

1. The word 'theatre' comes from the Greek word '*theatron*' meaning 'seeing place' and the Greek word '*theaomai*' meaning 'to view/observe'.
2. Konstantin Stanislavski was the **Russian theatre practitioner, 1863-1938.**
3. Bertolt Brecht was the **German theatre practitioner, 1898-1956.**
4. Antonin Artaud was the **French theatre practitioner, 1896-1948.**
5. Augusto Boal was the **Brazilian theatre practitioner, 1931-2009.**
6. The name given to Stanislavski's techniques is **The System.**
7. Brecht is famous for **Epic Theatre.**
8. Artaud is famous for **Theatre of Cruelty.**
9. Boal is famous for **Theatre of the Oppressed.**
10. There are **39 theatres** in London's West End Theatre District.

Every week there will be a new set of questions/answers set.

Why are we doing this?

- essential practice for exams
- learning relevant, factual information
- rote learning is good for pupils
- acquiring some general knowledge

Please note that from Sunday 21st April,
the Uniform and Leisurewear Shop at Garstang will be closed,
for 1 ½ weeks for refurbishment.

During this time, orders can still be placed online for delivery to school.

U14 Girls' Football

On Tuesday, our **U14 Girls' Football** team played against Fulwood in the **semi-final** of the **Preston Schools' Cup**.

With a lot of pressure riding on this game our girls were strong from the start and played some exceptional football, passing the ball extremely well and making scoring opportunities from very early on. Their goalkeeper was extremely strong and denied us on a number of occasions. We eventually managed to break through with some beautiful passing, with the ball being played out accurately from **Kara Lee** at the back and through to **Grace Lochhead** who found the back of the net! We were linking our passing really well from our defence and midfield and finally to our forwards where **Ellie O'Neill** found a gap in the goal and placed it neatly to give us a **2-0** lead.

Fulwood came back strong after a half time team talk and quickly managed to get around our defence and score, **2-1**. Our team knew they needed to step it up a gear and so we upped the intensity of our game, with **Imogen Goodwin** being an excellent playmaker in centre midfield, and we created some more opportunities which again were denied by the goalkeeper making some incredible saves! Our next goal came from a brilliant ball from **Grace** to **Ellie** who then found the back of the net again! 3-1. Fulwood came back again with some skilful attacking play to end the game a very respectable **3-2**.

Congratulations to the whole team and we look forward to the finals' night!

Kara Lee

Imogen Goodwin

Grace Lochhead

Amara Jenkins- Smith

Amy Beardwood

Olivia Bretherton

Olivia Redshaw

Isla Bledge

Elsie Kerley

Ellie O'Neill



Art News

On Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th March, Year 11 Artists completed their 10-hour exam.

The outcomes are really impressive and represent work in a range of media including drawing, painting and ceramics. They were produced after a 9-week period of independent research and development inspired by an exam question chosen back in January.

Well done everyone!

Alice Askins, Tobi Harrison, Isla Kenyon, Khalifa Malihah, Chloe Lilly, Niamh Loze-Doyle, Kaitlynn McCann, Emma Prescott, Oliwia Siedlecka and Mae Thompson.

Ms Smith



Alice



Isla



Mae



Emma



Kaitlynn



Chloe



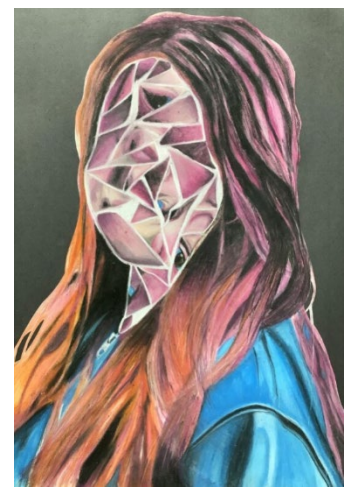
Malihah



Niamh



Tobi



Oliwia

Wellbeing - Exam Time

Exam time can be incredibly stressful and create a lot of unwanted pressure and stress.

Please see the link below for advice and tips to maintain positive wellbeing during exam time.

<https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/children-and-young-adults/advice-for-parents/help-your-child-beat-exam-stress/>



C Law, Roots Counselling

Late Bus

This term, the Late Bus will be running on

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

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

60p per pupil, per journey.

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

Bedrock Update

Class **7EO/En** were the **top performing class this month** scoring a total of 2950 points.

The average points per pupil in this class was 98.

The average points per pupil for the whole school was 82.

Daniel Sange-Ahmed scored 922 points - **the most in the school.**

This month, **pupils made a 14% improvement overall.**

9EZ/En made **the most progress** this month, with 82% improvement.

Archie-Jay Winkley made the most progress

This month, pupils have been learning the following words:

imperative **rational** **divisive** **voracious** **boisterous**

sufficient **avid** **adhere** **benign** **vilify**



Mrs Smethurst

WORD OF THE WEEK

w/c 22nd April

pugnacious: adj.

inclined to fight or be aggressive.

Example

The professor had been **pugnacious** and irritable.

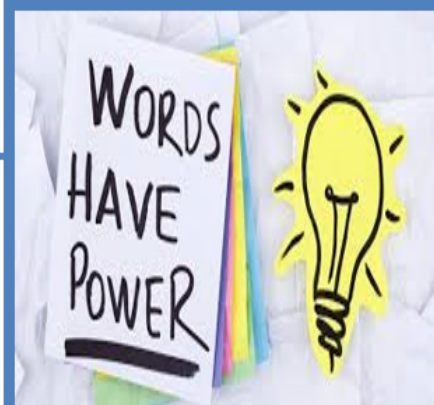
Synonyms

hostile, confrontational.

Antonym

peaceable.

SCHOOL SYNERGY



Congratulations to Alex Latham and Sam Willingale

Two of our Year 10 pupils, Alex and Sam recently volunteered to assist at the Lancashire County Sportshall League athletics competition with a County team representing Lancashire at the regional finals.

Alex and Sam helped with the running, officiating, coaching and management of the events on the day. The Chair of the Lancashire Sportshall County League commented on the commitment and maturity of both Alex and Sam and said, "they were a credit and were both highly competent when officiating and able to run some of the field events - measuring, coaching, timing and finalizing results. They are extremely well deserving of praise."

Well done Alex and Sam.

Reading Recommendation

Amanda Osakwe
(Year 8)

I would recommend the **'One of us is Lying' series** to anyone who likes suspenseful murder mysteries.

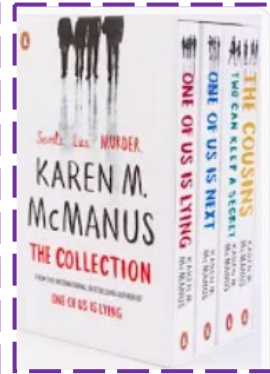
I enjoyed this book for its unexpected twists and lovable characters.

I would rate this book a 9/10.

Another book I would recommend is **'White Fox'** because this was a very heart-warming story from the viewpoint of a young white fox cub on a journey to become human.

I loved the way the other animals in the story were portrayed.

I would rate this book 8/10.



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!

**A pupil who reads
is a pupil who succeeds.**

Emma Hodgkinson Attends Pony Club Event



On 16 April, **Emma Hodgkinson** (8S) attended a Pony Club event, taking part in activities which were watched by HRH the Princess Royal who also spoke to the group afterwards.

Emma also took part in a pony parade with the horses at Wrea Green parading by the Pony Club members, HRH the Princess Royal and staff. There were 31 members of the Pony Club in attendance at the event, representatives from other Pony Clubs and dignitaries.



Emma rides twice a week at Wrea Green and volunteers there on a Sunday morning as well. Horses are a big passion of hers so she was thrilled to be involved in such a prestigious event. This event was a wonderful opportunity and experience for Emma. Very well done!

Broughton Ski Trip 2024 – Austria

Over the first week of half-term, the Broughton ski trip once again took place as 29 pupils and 4 staff headed over to Austria for a 6-day trip filled with activities and fun. It was another fantastic trip and all pupils represented school to the highest standard throughout.

We departed Broughton in the early hours on Thursday morning and set off looking to reach our final destination of Zell Am See, Austria. This was achieved via a short flight and coach transfer from Munich airport. When we arrived at the hotel, it was a quick check in before heading straight up to have some tea from the ever-amazing buffet style spread provided by the fantastic hotel. After a brief chat about what the week ahead held in store, it was time to get some rest before the early wake up call in the morning ready to hit the slopes.

Day one brought fantastic weather, with a beautiful blue sky acting as the perfect background to show off the vast mountain range in all of its glory. After a quick ski to determine grouping for the first few days, we split off into three groups with our instructors and set about getting to know the ski resort. All groups met back up for lunch and a quick catch-up before setting about on an afternoon of practicing what they had learnt in the hours before. It was fair to say the instructors were very impressed with the way the pupils handled the new tasks given to them.



Day's 2, 3 & 4 saw all groups ski as much of the resort as possible, building up their ski miles and gaining experience of handling as many slopes as possible, with some even tackling a tricky black run after just a few hours! The weather at 2000m high is ever changing, but despite some wind, snow, a dashing of rain and beaming sun, everyone had a constant smile on their face as the progress made was fantastic from all.

Our final day of skiing saw all pupils embark on a short bus ride to the Kitzsteinhorn glacier in the local town of Kaprun. Situated at 3203m this offers not only a high quality of snow, but also some fantastic new runs to challenge all pupils. This was a test of everything that had been learnt throughout the week and both the staff and instructors could not believe how well the pupils skied that day. From moguls to carving, off-piste and yes, the occasional fall... every pupil pushed themselves and can be extremely proud of their achievement.

Aside from skiing, the glacier also offers a fantastic viewpoint that allows pupils to stand on the gantry of the highest point out over the suspended bridge and take some fantastic photos that will remain with them forever. This also provided pupils with a brilliant insight into how natural features such as mountains are made as there is a short film and information points throughout that the pupils can read in order to understand how where they were currently stood was formed.

After each day on the slopes, the amazing hotel provided some afternoon tea and the pupils had some down time before heading back up for tea. Once this had been finished, each night there was a different evening activity for pupils to enjoy. Ranging from a spa, quiz, lake walk, town visit and disco it is fair to say there was no moment without a smile or a laugh.

Once again it was a fantastic trip and a special thanks from both pupils and staff goes to Mr Bailey, who yet again has provided a memory that will last forever for everyone involved in the trip.

From all staff, we would like to say thank you to the pupils who made the trip such a positive and enjoyable experience, it truly wouldn't have been the same without you. Enjoy some of photos here and keep an eye out for the full collection on teams. We are most certainly looking forward to next year!



**Broughton
Ski Trip
2024**





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 underlined. Any careers queries can be directed to Mrs Smethurst by email smethurstj@broughtonhigh.co.uk

JOB OF THE WEEK



Quality assurance manager

Quality manager, quality control manager, quality inspector

Quality assurance managers make sure a company's products and services meet and maintain set standards.



Average salary (a year)

Typical hours (a week)

You could work

£ £23,000

£55,000



37 to 39
a week



between 8am and 6pm
on shifts

You can get into this job through:

- a university course
- an apprenticeship
- working towards this role
- applying directly

University

You could do a degree or postgraduate qualification in:

- production management
- business studies
- human resources management
- business administration

You may need a degree that is specific to the industry you want to work in, like:

- science
- construction
- engineering
- pharmaceuticals

Entry requirements

You'll usually need:

- 2 to 3 A levels, or equivalent, for a degree
- a degree in any subject for a postgraduate course

Apprenticeship

The following apprenticeship may be relevant to this role:

- level 4 Quality practitioner

This apprenticeship typically takes 14 months to complete.

You could work in any kind of industry or sector that has quality control processes.

Entry requirements

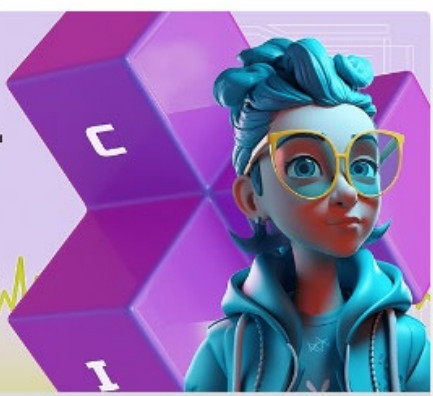
You'll usually need:

- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 and A levels, or equivalent, for a higher or degree apprenticeship

JOB OF THE WEEK

NEW

Discover Cyber Security



Discover Cyber Security

- Free
- 37 lessons
- Age: 13-17 years olds
- Level: Beginner
- Works best on a laptop or computer

What is Cyber Security?
Get involved in learning all about this fascinating topic!

You'll take on the role of an apprentice, and go on a learning journey with two Cyber Security Specialists to understand more about Cyber and how it may affect you in your daily life.

Click here to find out more!



The Lancashire Cornerstone group are seeking your opinions about Careers Fairs as you know them now and understand the impact of Careers Fairs on students, parents, and teachers in order to review the current impact, and where required, offer recommendations for the development of traditional Careers Fairs formats.

If you are over 14, a parent or a teacher, please have a look at this survey and have your opinions heard!

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=D8Vci0mhvUSd3J0n6m1yDkiuWbtMetVKq-clk2Eg23JUQk8zSEpBRDNSUVM3Q0VXQzQ4UUtVQjlzVy4u>

*The survey closes on **Friday 10th May.***

RADIOTHERAPY STUDENT OPEN DAY

Saturday 18th May
2024



Are you in year 10 or above? or a mature student? Have you thought about a career in Radiotherapy? Would you like to know more about radiotherapy and this fantastic profession?



We are inviting prospective students to visit our radiotherapy open day on Sat 18th May. Situated in the radiotherapy department at Rosemere Cancer Centre-Royal Preston Hospital



If you would like to attend please book a 1 hour slot by contacting the email below .

To book please email-
education.radiotherapy@lthtr.nhs.uk