



6th October 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As we end our fifth full week back in school it is amazing to see the significant amount of reward points that our pupils have accumulated for 'Excellence' in a very short space of time. Reward points can be given for a number of reasons including 'Excellent Homework' or an 'Excellent Contribution in Class' or for 'Representing the School' or an 'Act of Kindness'. An amazing 26236 points have been achieved so far this term which contributes 1p for each reward point raised to our chosen charity for this term which is 'Healing Little Hearts'. 'Healing Little Hearts' is a UK based registered children's charity that provides free heart surgery to babies and children in the developing parts of the world.

Well done everybody for your contribution!

Year 7	4836 points
Year 8	6741 points
Year 9	6015 points
Year 10	5062 points
Year 11	3582 points

It is also impressive to see so many children working towards the 'Best of 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 evening 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 'Best of Broughton' badges to wear on their blazer.

Our assemblies this week have been led by Mr Bailey under the theme 'Staying Safe'. Pupils have been reminded about our expectations surrounding some important topics that are widely being discussed in the national media. These include sexual harassment, derogatory language, bullying (including online) and substance misuse such as vaping, all of which are not tolerated at Broughton. Most importantly, pupils were encouraged to seek support if they had any worries or concerns through any of the avenues available to them, such as our Pastoral team, access to our safe@broughtonhigh.co.uk email address or the wealth of services found on our website under the [safeguarding tab](#). Over the coming weeks, we will also be conducting pupil voice questionnaires to continue to respond to the changing needs of our pupils and ensure the highest possible standards of care.

Headteacher: Mr David Botes

It is pleasing to see that an overwhelming majority of our pupils arrive to school on time, ready for the beginning of the day at 8.40am. They look smart, alert and eager to learn. As all pupils know, if anyone arrives late they have to attend a 'same day' break detention. Punctuality is such an important lesson for life beyond Broughton and we are determined that everyone arrives to school on time. Please can I also remind you that it is not permitted to drop your child off in the main entrance area between 8am and 9.00am due to the number of buses dropping pupils off and the vast number of conferences we hold at school which start between 8.30am and 9.00am.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents about the extensive amount of information on our school website regarding our curriculum in each subject and year group. This important information highlights the full year curriculum and what pupils will be taught and when. We have developed this in detail over the last two years and if you ever require any curriculum content information for any subject you can find this on the school website under the ['Curriculum'](#) tab on the homepage. If you ever require any further curriculum information please contact the relevant Head of Department.

Next Thursday we will be holding our first Year 7 Parents' Evening. There will be a limited number of parking spaces in the front car park with significantly more space at the back of school. All meetings will be held in the junior block (English/Maths and Science rooms). Mr Bailey and Mr Brandwood will also be hosting assemblies in the Junior Dining room about Safeguarding and the use of Synergy. All parents have now received a letter regarding this event and I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Well done to the huge number of pupils who have attended extra-curricular clubs at lunch and after school this week. In particular, our cooking club on Wednesday evening which is always extremely popular and well attended. There was a superb atmosphere (and a wonderful smell) in our food technology area as the pupils prepared vegetable filled dumplings. It was great to see so many pupils from different year groups working and socialising together after school.

Key dates are as follows:

Year 7 Parents' Evening with Form Tutors	Thursday 12 October 2023
Year 11 Parents' Evening	Thursday 2 November 2023
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

Learn it CHALLENGE

Every week, pupils in **Years 7, 8 and 9** will be given **10** 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 test will be on these days ...

Years 7 and 8
Wednesday 11th
October

Year 9
Thursday 12th
October

1. What reagent identifies reducing sugars in food tests?
2. A slowly cooling igneous rock produces what size of crystals?
3. Which Antibiotic did Alexander Fleming discover in 1928?
4. What is used to stain an onion to help identify cells under a microscope?
5. Which state of matter does not have freely moving particles?
6. What does an ammeter measure?
7. What is Hydrogen's atomic number?
8. In human reproduction how many matched pairs of chromosomes does a fertilised egg contain?
9. Static Electricity - What happens to an object that gains electrons?
10. What type of energy sources won't run out?

1. **Benedict's Reagent** identifies reducing sugars; turning from blue to yellow, orange or red with a positive test.
2. **Large crystals** form in slowly cooling igneous rocks as the extra time spent cooling allows them more time to grow.
3. In 1928, Alexander Fleming discovered **Penicillin**. Fleming noticed that mould had developed accidentally on a set of culture dishes being used to grow bacteria. The bacteria hadn't grown around the mould; this mould was from the genus **Penicillium**.
4. **Iodine** is used to stain onion as it colours starches in cells. In an onion cell it makes the cell wall more visible.
5. The particles in **solids** are held closely in fixed positions. They don't move from their positions so all solids keep a definite shape and volume.
6. An ammeter measures **electric current**, it is measured in amperes/amps (A).
7. Hydrogen's atomic number is **One**. Hydrogen atoms have one proton in their nucleus.
8. A fertilised egg has **23** matched pairs of chromosomes. One copy of each from the mother and father.
9. In static electricity, when an object gain electrons, it becomes **negatively charged**. The object that lost electrons becomes positively charged.
10. **Renewable** energy sources such as solar, wind and waves will never run out.

Learn it
CHALLENGE



October
Week 1
Years
7, 8 and 9

Years 7 and 8
Launched
Wed 4 Oct

Test on
Wed 11 Oct
2023

Year 9
Launched
Thurs 5 Oct

Test on
Thurs 12 Oct

LEARN
THEM!

Every week thereafter, 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

Year 8 Reading Ambassador ... Recommended Read

I would recommend 'Are you there God? It's me Margaret'. It is a book about a girl called Margaret who moves to a new town and goes through teenage years and experiences growing up. I have read it about four times now, and I think that it is a REALLY fantastic book.

School's Chosen Charity - Autumn Term - 'Healing Little Hearts'

This term, the school's chosen charity is 'Healing Little Hearts' and Megan in Year 8 explains below why she feels it is important to raise money for this charity. Further details about the charity can be found at: [Healing Little Hearts](#)



"When I was born, I had a heart defect, which meant I had to have major heart surgery which saved my life when I was only 17 days old. The surgeon who operated on me is called Ramana Dhannapuneni. Ramana is also the head surgeon and trustee of a charity called 'Healing Little Hearts' which provides free heart surgery to babies and children in developing parts of the world who otherwise would sadly die. I was very lucky that I was born in a country where the surgery I needed is readily available and I would like to give something back to children not as fortunate as myself and to Remana who gives up his free time to travel the world helping them as a thank you."

Megan Wilcock 8R

Year 9 Cake Sale for Red Cross Moroccan Earthquake Appeal

Last week, six Year 9 pupils, **Bhumi Patel, Aisha Hussain, Naomi Olive, Annabel Cooke, Lucy Dewhirst** and **Sara Adam**, organized a cake sale and baked the treats themselves, **raising an impressive £122.10 for the Red Cross Moroccan Earthquake Appeal.**

A huge thank you to all pupils and staff who supported this cause. The money raised will be instrumental in aiding the Red Cross' ongoing efforts to provide relief and support to the earthquake victims in Morocco. Every pound collected will help make a positive difference in the lives of those who have been affected by this devastating natural disaster.



Mrs McKibbin and Mrs Bamber

Year 8 Reading Ambassador ... Recommended Read

I would recommend 'The Silver Eyes' from the FNAF (Five Nights at Freddy's) series. It is about a girl called Charlie whose father was the owner of Freddy's pizzeria, but it got closed down because lots of children went missing. Charlie and her old friends meet up and end up discovering the old Freddy's pizzeria building which is now hidden inside a mall. I really liked this book and think that it has an extremely intriguing and exciting plot.

Wellbeing

Every year we celebrate **World Mental Health Day on 10th October**. The theme for 2023, set by the World Foundation of Mental Health, is 'Mental health is a universal human right'.



World Mental Health Day is about raising awareness of mental health and driving positive change for everyone's mental health. It is also a chance to **talk about mental health**, how we need to look after it, and how important it is to get help if you are struggling. Come together with friends, families, or colleagues this World Mental Health Day, by holding a **Tea & Talk!** Pupils can look at the Roots Counselling displays (in the Library and on the English corridor) for helpful tips on mental health and wellbeing.

DROP- IN SESSIONS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE EVERY WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY BREAKTIME OR ALTERNATIVELY AFTER SCHOOL (3:00-3:45PM).

For further information please click here: [World Mental Health Day 2023](#)

C Law, Roots Counselling

Football News

Broughton U14 Girls v Corpus

Broughton won 10-4

Goal scorers

Grace Lochhead
Ellie O'Neill
Imogen Goodwin
Isobel Harlow



A superb team performance; well done to all the girls!

Team:

Kara Lee, Imogen Goodwin, Grace Lochhead, Amara Jenkins-Smith, Elsie Kerley, Ellie O'Neill, Isobel Harlow, India Thompson-Amrith, Grace Ashworth, Isla Dean.

Broughton U14 Girls v St Cecilia's

Broughton won 9-2

Goal scorers

Ellie O'Neill
Imogen Goodwin
India Thompson-Amrith
Grace Lochhead



A ridiculously wet and muddy game but all the girls played absolutely brilliantly and remained in high spirits throughout, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship. Well done to the whole team!

Team:

Kara Lee, Imogen Goodwin, Grace Lochhead, Amara Jenkins-Smith, Elsie Kerley, Amy Beardwood, Ellie O'Neill, Isobel Harlow, India Thompson-Amrith.

Miss Lupton

Hockey Festival

On Thursday we hosted our first Hockey Festival for 60 pupils from Broughton High School, Christ the King and Fulwood. It was an absolutely fantastic day! Wonderful to see so many of our boys and girls experiencing their first time playing the sport and ignited a passion to play again in the very near future! Throughout the day the pupils were coached by our highly skilled year 10 Sports Leaders in a range of skills



including; V-drags, rollouts, passing and dribbling to which it was fantastic to see so much progress in these sessions! In the afternoon we finished with a mixed friendly tournament where all pupils got the opportunity to play a large number of games alongside pupils from other schools. Not only was it great to see our pupils progressing physically throughout the day but also socially and emotionally. There were so many random acts of kindness and exemplary examples of sportsmanship during the games. It was really lovely to witness!

Finally, a massive thank you to our brilliant Sports Leaders! The day could simply not have run without their planning, organisation and commitment!

Alice Chapman
Charlie Hamilton
Hannah Wilcock

Tadiwanashe Chaparadza
Olivia Newman-Kirk
Matthew English

Nina Finley
Aebha Bayliss

Johnny Stanley
Sam Willingale

Well done to all who took part!!

James Moffat
Thomas Kenyon
Jamie Stewarts
Bobby Collins
Adam Thorpe
Layla Rice
Lucy Stafford
Eddie Murray
Priya Anantharachagan

Freya Houghton
Ollie Ogden
George Dodds
Oscar Mazik
Jiya Patel
Matilda Price
Athena He
Emma Hodgkinson
Alice Walmsley

Ellen Jones
Jake Helders
Lucas Charnley
Dylan Patel
Isobel Harlow
Elizabeth Astley
Sammi Humphreys
Ella-Rose Reagan
Megan Wilcock

Grace Lawn
Shay Panchal
Dylan Parker
Evie Parekh
Leah Astley
Mia Woods
Amber Sayed-Jagirdar
Lucy Mitchell

Miss Lupton



EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

We are delighted to share the sweet success of our recent Bake Sale, held in celebration of the European Day of Languages. Our talented Year 8 pupils showcased their culinary skills by baking a delectable array of European-inspired cakes and cupcakes. Last Friday, during break time, these delightful treats were up for sale, and we are very happy to announce that **we raised a fantastic total of £177!** Every pound raised **will be donated to Macmillan Cancer Support**, a worthy cause we are proud to support. A heartfelt thank you to our pupils and teachers who contributed to making this event a meaningful success.

Mr Tomlin



WORD OF THE WEEK

w/c 9th October

abridge: verb

to reduce something in scope or extent.

Example

The **abridged** version of Shakespeare's Macbeth is available in the library now.

Synonyms

shorten, condense.

Antonym

expand.

SCHOOL SYNERGY



Trip to London

Last Friday, 29th September, 32 pupils went to London, setting off VERY early to visit Parliament, the London Eye and then Madame Tussauds.

We were extremely lucky to have a tour of the Palace of Westminster, through the grand building, learning all about its vast history, walking the same route that the King will take when he opens Parliament and standing on the spot where many Prime Ministers have stood.

Whilst on the London Eye, we got to soak in London's iconic skyline including Buckingham Palace. We came face to face with the most famous people in world at Madame Tussauds including Harry Styles, Mo Salah and even managed to have a spot of afternoon tea with the Royal Family!



All the pupils were amazing, despite it being a long day and numerous train cancellations; their manners, good humour and behaviour throughout the day were impeccable.

Thank you to Mrs Higham and Mr Banks who accompanied us on the trip.

Mrs Bamber



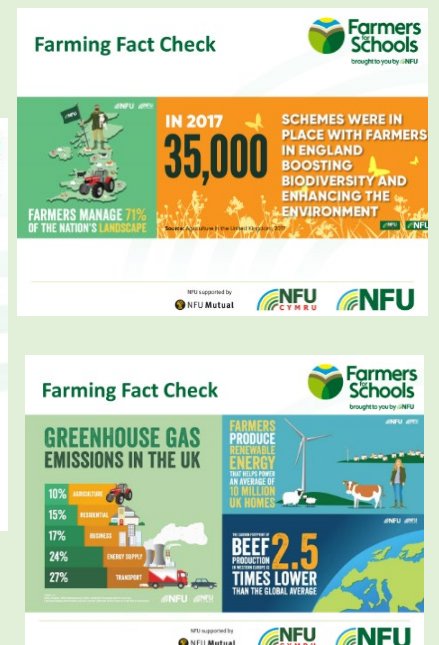
Farmers for Schools is a programme which aims to share farmers' personal stories as British farmers, address some myths about British farming and to start a conversation about how our food is brought to our tables.

Michelle and Helen are farmers in the local area who came in to give a talk to Year 8 pupils. It was an interactive presentation with thoughtful questions being asked and mature conversations about how animals are cared for.



Thank you to Michelle and Helen for providing a thought-provoking presentation which was thoroughly enjoyed by the pupils.

Mrs Newton



Bedrock Update

Well done to these pupils in Years 7, 8 and 9 who have the most points in their respective years!

The pupil with the most points in Year 7 is: **Aden Yeung**

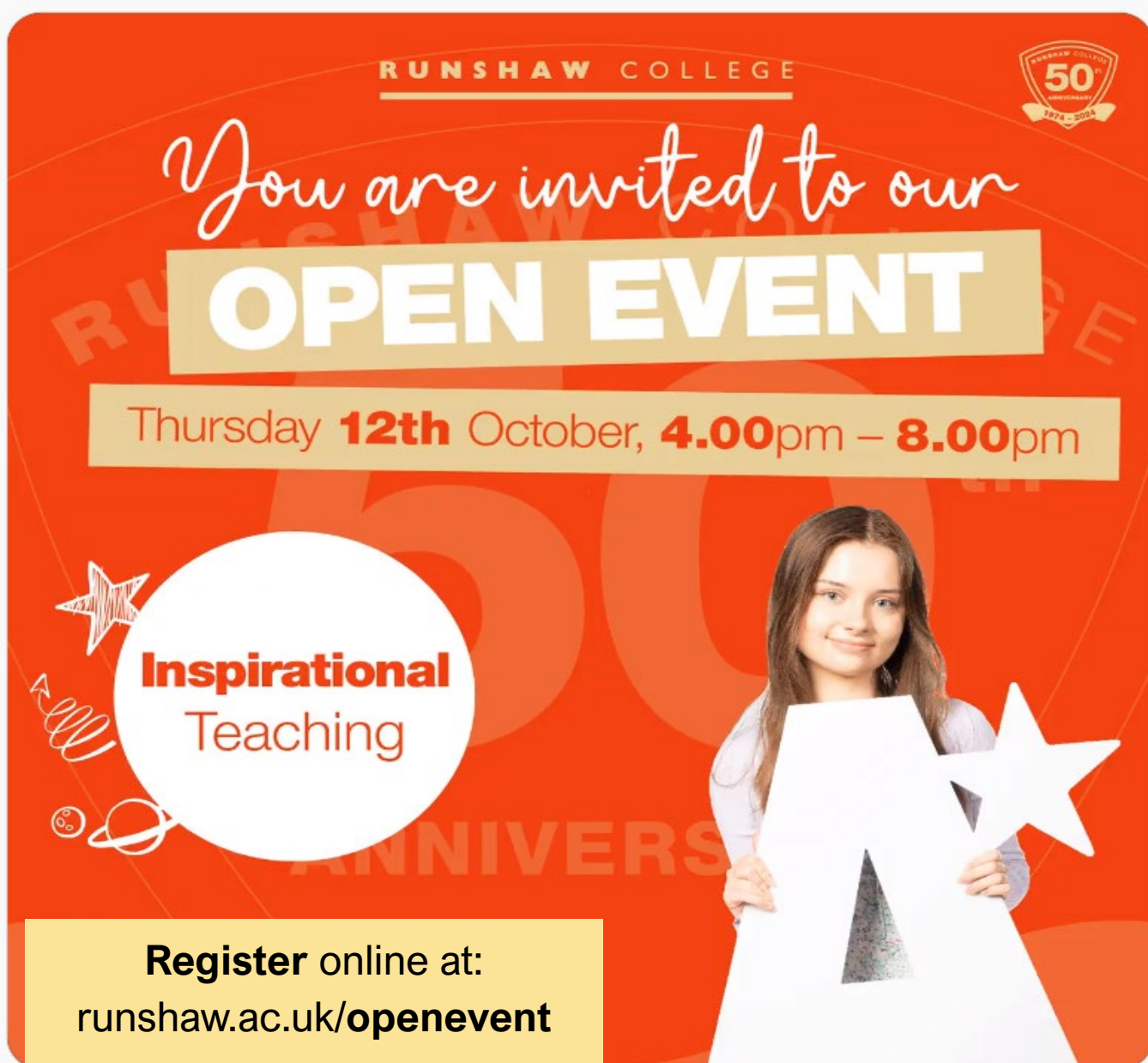
The pupil with the most points in Year 8 is: **Dylan Fishwick**

The pupil with the most points in Year 9 is: **Raeef Tanveer**

Top Tips for from the English department:

1. Sign up to bedrock using the access code in your child's planner so you can really see how your child is progressing with Bedrock. It will give you a clear idea about how much effort they are putting into the program. My advice would be to look at the pre and post tests and see what their scores are – are they scoring highly or do they need to slow down and spend more time on the work to ensure their scores are in the 90-100% bracket?
2. Have a look at the vocabulary they are been learning on their knowledge organiser and try to use it in conversations with them this week.

Mrs Smethurst



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1974 - 2024

You are invited to our

OPEN EVENT

Thursday **12th** October, **4.00pm – 8.00pm**

Inspirational Teaching

Register online at:
runshaw.ac.uk/openevent

ANNIVERSARY

A young woman is holding a large white cutout of the number '12' with a star on the right side of the '2'.

Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIPs)

Everyone is invited to take part in a survey to help shape future plans for cycling and walking in Lancashire. Lancashire County Council, in partnership with Blackpool Council, want to join up the gaps in our existing network of footpaths and cycle routes and provide safer, direct and more convenient routes.



Following feedback from our initial public engagement last year, the councils have produced a draft network map of cycling and walking networks routes in Lancashire. They need people from all areas of the county to provide feedback on anything you think could be improved. **The survey will be available on their website until 24 October 2023.** Additional design and feasibility work will be needed to take any of the proposed schemes forward.

You can find out more and take part in the survey at
<https://lancashire.citizenspace.com/lcwip-engagement-stage-2/>

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DAYS

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FEB

10AM - 1PM

Literacy News

On **Tuesday 10th October**, we are very excited to be welcoming **Cynthia Murphy**, two-time winner of the Lancashire Book of the Year 2022 and 2023.

Exclusively for Year 9 and Year 10, Cynthia will be delivering a talk on the writing process and her journey into becoming an award-winning author. Cynthia's 'Win Lose Kill Die' features on our KS4 Best of Broughton reading list and she will be in the library at breaktime for signing.

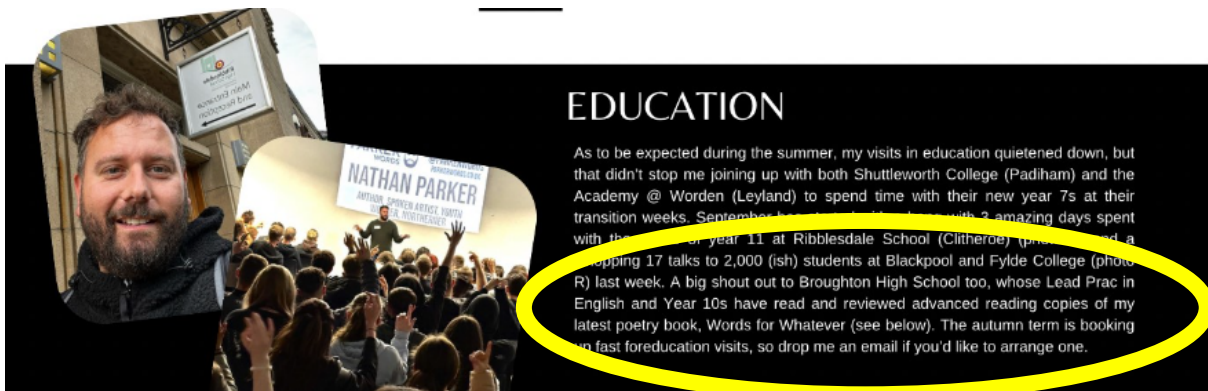
If your child has a copy of Cynthia's book and would like it signed, this would be a great opportunity.



Last year, we welcomed **Nathan Parker** to deliver a talk and a series of workshops to Year 10 pupils. Pupils and staff had a brilliant day and we are delighted to welcome Nathan back to Broughton to our current Year 10 pupils in 2024. Nathan was so impressed with the pupils at Broughton that he asked whether our pupils would review his new poetry book 'Words for Whatever'; these will then be used on the front cover of the final print. Our Year 10 Reading Ambassadors relished the opportunity to read an exclusive pre-release of Nathan's collection. Here you will see a collection of their words:

- 'Poems to support every situation, accurately expresses a teenager's feelings.'
- 'An immensely powerful collection, relatable to all teenagers.'
- 'Truly inspiring, relatable, a fabulous variety that provides for every emotion.'
- 'An inspiring, heartfelt anthology.'
- 'Truly expresses the teenage life, a fantastic read.'

Nathan extends his thanks to the Year 10 pupils in his latest bulletin and there is even an acknowledgement in his book!



Words for Whatever is a poetry book for teenagers and beyond, with issued based poetry and verse covering a range of teenage experiences. It serves as a great introduction to poetry and is now available to buy on Amazon at £8.99.

Mrs Armstrong

CAREERS HUB



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 in **BOLD**. Any careers queries can be directed to Mr Lord by email lordc@broughtonhigh.co.uk

JOB OF THE WEEK

Click to watch a small information video



Kitchen Fitter

Kitchen fitters and joiners make and install wooden structures, fittings and furniture.

Average Salary – £17,000-38,000PA

Average Working Hours- 40-45 per week.

More information can be found about this career path, including routes into the industry via the National Careers Website [here](#).



JOB OF THE WEEK

NOTICES

Broughton High School's Careers Fair, 24th November 2023.

Calling all parents!

Can your business/ place of work inspire the next generation?!

We want to expose our pupils to a wide variety of employers with our pupils getting the opportunity to engage in a conversation about typical duties, pathways and opportunities. Can you help? Please email Mr Lord for more information

lordc@broughtonhigh.co.uk

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Women in Engineering

Apprenticeship Insight Experience

Applications are now open for the 2024 Women in Engineering Insight Experiences, taking place early next year.



Before I joined the Women in Engineering programme I was completing my GCSEs. I heard about the programme from my aunty and decided to apply. I really enjoyed the practical activities and meeting apprentices. I learnt a lot about the apprentice programmes at BAE Systems and had a go at engineering. I found it was something I enjoyed and I subsequently joined BAE Systems as a Craft Apprentice. I am now in my second year of an advanced apprenticeship, working as an aircraft fitter on F35, where I support the assembly of small components for the jets.



Jane, Participant

BAE SYSTEMS



A four day programme, with opportunities across the Air, Electronic Systems, Land, Maritime Services, Naval Ships and Submarine sectors at BAE Systems, this hybrid event will introduce you to the exciting world of engineering and the vast range of apprenticeships and careers available.

You will learn more about what it is like to work for BAE Systems, gain hands-on experience in a in an engineering environment and explore the range of career pathways available.

Opportunities are available for school and college leavers, as well as individuals seeking a new challenge.

The programme will be delivered as hybrid learning, with some on-site activity and some virtual learning, across four separate dates in January and February 2024.

As part of the insight experience, you will interview for one of our engineering apprenticeships and could be offered a full-time position, starting in autumn 2024.

Insight Experiences are aligned to our:

Intermediate/Advanced Apprenticeships (Level 2/3)

Higher/Degree Apprenticeships (Level 4/6)*

*The insight experience for those interested in Higher/Degree Apprenticeships will be available in the Air, Maritime Services, and Submarines sectors only.

To apply, visit:
www.baesystems.com

Applications open on:
Tuesday 19 September 2023

Close on:
Tuesday 31 October 2023

Applications may close early if sufficient applications are received under the closing date

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Break Time

Break Time group activities for children and young people with SEND in Lancashire

Save the Date

Registrations will be open from
23rd October
to
21st December 2023.

Both new and current members must register!

www.lancashire.gov.uk/SEND



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