

## **BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS**

Valuing Everyone, Achieving Excellence

## **CAMPUS NEWSLETTER**

September 2021

## CAMPUS OPEN EVENING





THURSDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 2021

6pm - 8pm

For entry into Year 7 from August 2022

Telephone: 0116 287 9921 Website: www.brookvalegroby.com



## **HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE**

**Dear Parents / Carers** 

It has been wonderful to welcome students back onto campus and they have already made such a brilliant start to the new academic year. I have been hugely impressed with how well students have adapted to the new systems and routines and it has been fantastic to see our rewards 1st culture really begin to take off. We have seen a 13 fold increase in the number of achievement points being awarded and also every lesson has seen a student nominated for their efforts in class. Across the campus we are really trying to drive our new core values of Community, Aspiration, Respect and Excellence and we are looking forward to developing our approaches further in the coming term.

Last year we trialled a new character curriculum called LORIC in some classes. The programme seeks to develop leadership, organization, resilience, initiative and communication and leads to a national accreditation at 3 levels. Some students have already secured their Apprentice Edge Award which is a phenomenal achievement. This year all students will follow this scheme and work toward this accreditation from Year 7 - 11.

Alongside the LORIC programme students will also be involved in a project called "Them & Us", designed to build community cohesion, develop a greater understanding of the differences that may exist between different social and cultural groups in society and create more respect and acceptance for those who may have different values, beliefs or ideas to themselves. We think this will be hugely beneficial in making our school a safe, warm and welcoming environment.

We have listened carefully to the feedback that Parents / Carers have shared and will be reviewing our reporting processes this year to ensure you have the information you need to support your child, this is a big but exciting body of work and we hope makes a real difference. We will also be looking at how we can clearly communicate what children will be learning each term and sharing overviews with you, so you are able to support your child's learning at home.

Whilst the pandemic is still very much with us and we have sadly seen a number of cases on site already, the new DFE guidance has led to less disruption than the previous term and nearly all curriculum activities including after school events have returned which means students are really getting that whole educational experience they were sadly deprived of during lock down.

I am really looking forward to working with you children in the coming term and I hope we have a less disrupted year ahead.

All good wishes, Will Teece, Headteacher.

## POST 16 OPEN EVENING

**BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS** 

Work Hard, Be Kind

THURSDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2021



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## A WARM WELCOME BACK TO ALL!



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## **EXAMS UPDATE**

#### Exams and Assessment Calendar 2021 - 22

Please find <a href="here">here</a> our Exams & Assessment 2021 - 22 calendar. Any amendments or alterations will be communicated to you and the calendar updated on the campus website.

## GCSE and A Level Certificates Summer 2021:

Certificates will be available for collection **November 2021.** 

Please contact the exams office to arrange to pick up your certificates.

#### Please note:

Certificates are a legal document and **employers will need to see original certificates** as proof of your qualifications.

Exam Boards will charge for copies of certificates (Approx. £50 per certificate!)

Due to COVID lockdowns, we do still have GCSE and A Level certificates for collection from <u>Summer 2020</u>. If you know any students who may not have collected their certificates, please can they contact us via the details below.

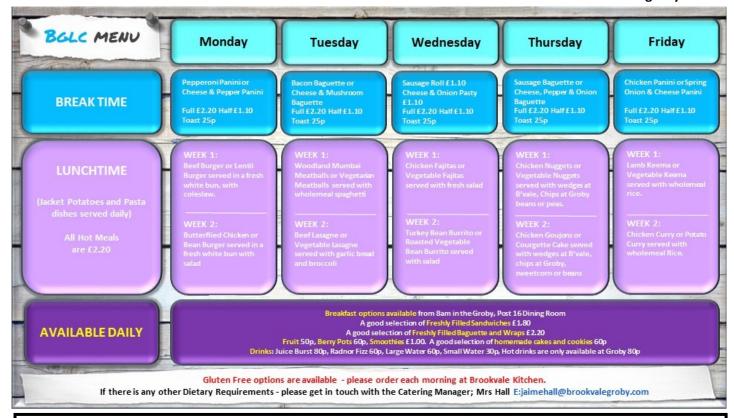
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### A NEW CAMPUS CULTURE

Like any good school we are constantly looking at what we do to see if there are things that we could do better and to improve the experience of being on our campus for our students. Just because "It's the way we've always done it here" is not, on its own, a good enough reason to keep doing something.

In our plans for improvement Mr Teece has set us all a very clear and simple aim,

#### "To create and embed a culture of excellence and kindness by August 2022"

There are dozens of actions that we intend to take during this year to give us the best possible chance of achieving this but I want to explain a couple of the ones that will have been most obvious to you as parents already and to your children.

We are thinking a lot about our language and manners. Of course that is students to staff, but also the other way round and between students themselves. Students are greeted every morning at the gate and usually at their classroom doors. Everyone is asked to respond to a greeting given to them. There is a strong emphasis on "Thank you" and not only in the canteen. All of us are expected to say "Sorry" if we get things wrong.

Of course you might think "Surely all this was true before?" and of course for most of us most of the time it was, but now we are aiming for all of us to do these things all of the time. And we expect now to be challenged if we forget.

Going further we wanted to improve our giving of recognition and rewards to students themselves but also notifying you as parents when your son / daughter has done well at school. Our new Weduc communication system means that we can do this quickly and lots of you will have seen already **Reward Points** given by teachers linked to our new school values of:

## Core Values Community, Aspiration, Resilience, Excellence

Most commonly these will be awarded for good work in lessons and so an E Reward Point, for Excellence is given, but doing something good to help an individual or a bigger group might result in a C (for community) Reward Point etc. Some of you have asked us for more detail for each of these rewards, but given the increased frequency with which we want to give them this may not be possible. Instead we hope it will be a pleasant conversation with your child when they come home to find out why they got their reward point. In time these points will lead to certificates and awards as students work towards their overall **BGLC CARE Medal.** 

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We have also asked teachers to name a "Student of the Lesson" at the end of every single lesson. This is proving popular with students. Its awarding is at the discretion of the teacher and could be for great work, a great attitude or doing something to help others. It's deliberately not tied to a "prize" as we hope the feel good factor of being told you've done well will be enough and, if nothing else, gives the recipient something to tell those at home over dinner.

The early signs are that we are making good progress with this. Already this year over 6,000 Reward Points have been given, in comparison to just over 500 at the same time last year, or 13 times more. It is of course early days but we will keep you updated with our progress and, of course, your son / daughters individual success.

For the huge majority of our students these efforts to change our language and to increase the positives will be the most important changes and the ones they experience most. It is though also true to say that we have raised our expectations of behaviour in classrooms, as this will give all of our students the chance to achieve excellence if they are neither being disruptive or being disrupted.

Students now have a set of routines that every single teacher follows before every lesson, which includes coming into the classroom and immediately getting their equipment out and placing it on their desk before standing in silence behind their chair before being invited to sit down by their teachers. In time it will ensure a very quick and focussed start to every single lesson.

Once the lesson has begun any disruption will be challenged and a first warning given. If disruption continues a C1 will be given (this will be the first thing you will see on Weduc) and a final warning. Failure to respond to that request and a third disruption will lead to a C2 and the student will be sent to work in the Remove Room, a central quiet room staffed by a teacher. This has the benefit of allowing the rest of a class to get on and the student to take time to reflect. At the end of the lesson the student may move on to their next class, but will be set a lunchtime detention of 30 minutes as a sanction. The teacher who sent the student to the Remove Room will make contact with home to explain specifically what went wrong in the lesson.

A student who is removed twice in a day will move to our Achievement Support Centre for the rest of the day or longer in order to protect the learning of others and be given time to reflect on their behaviour, supported by Pastoral staff. As with rewards and language we are aiming to be more consistent than we have been in the past so that students are clear about what we expect and feel that they can get on in their classes. Most students will of course never go near the Remove Room but all of them will receive rewards and this is what we want to emphasise and encourage them to work towards as we set about creating a culture of excellence and kindness.

If you would like to discuss any of these issues further please don't hesitate to get in touch with me or your son / daughters, tutor or Head of Year.

Mr Godwin, Senior Deputy Headteacher



### **BGLC HOMEWORK HEROES**



With the return to school, comes the return of homework! I would like to thank, in advance, all the parents of our students for the support you give your children towards their homework and independent study - a vital element linked to educational success.

As you probably know by now, we have a 20:20:20 approach to homework. Typically, students are expected to complete, on a daily basis, 20 minutes of self-testing on their Knowledge Organisers (KOs), 20 minutes of reading (individual choice) and 20 minutes of Maths booklet work. As students move into their GCSE years, they are likely to receive additional tasks to complement their assessments.

Please copy the link below to view the additional help and support guidance:

https://cdn.realsmart.co.uk/b8e4c5fb0130b37967e1a57beab66e9b/uploads/2021/09/07153336/Home-Learning-at-BGLC-Years-7-11-CBU.pdf

We will be sending out an accompanying video shortly via Weduc, which will help parents new to the school, and serve as a reminder to those with older children.



This term, we are looking to reward those students who consistently work hard with their homework.

Look out for our Homework Heroes in future newsletters...

Thank you for your support.

Mr Bugh, Assistant Headteacher - Teaching and Learining

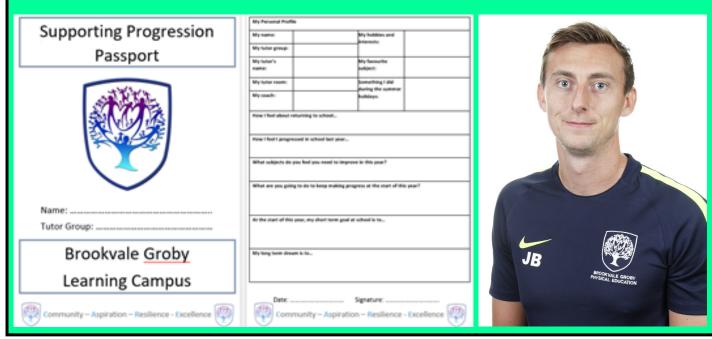


## **SUPPORTING PROGRESSION**

I would like to take the opportunity in this edition of our newsletter to introduce myself. I am Mr Brownett and I will again be working as '**Key Stage 4 Progress Leader'** again this academic year, alongside my teaching responsibilities.

This role will encompass both tracking and driving improvements in the progress all students make on campus in Years 10 and 11, so that they are able to take their next steps with confidence and outcomes that match their potential and aspirations.

The process of supporting students began almost immediately on their return to school this year. On the first Friday back on campus, in an extended form time, students completed a **'Supporting Progression Passport'**. Within this, students reflected on the progress they've made over the past 12 months, and set both short and long term goals for this academic year. These will act as a start point, as we aim to ensure all students remain fully informed on how they are progressing across subjects and how they can drive better outcomes throughout the year. Moving forwards, we also plan to support students in a variety of ways including; a mentorship programme, embedding the PIXL strategy 'Prepare to Perform' in the lead up to exams, and further plans to drive a culture of high aspirations at KS4. I look forward to contributing to future editions of our newsletter with further updates of what we are doing to support students' progress at BGLC. **Mr Brownett, KS4 Progress Lead** 



## **CONTINUING STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

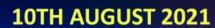


Our staff training days at the start of term focussed on how we can create and embed a culture of excellence and kindness at the campus. Staff took part in various sessions including creating a reading culture at the campus, our teaching and learning priorities for the academic year and launching our growth management programme. We also spent time focussing on how we can maximise behaviour for learning at the campus with a focus on recognising those students who work hard and adopt our new campus values CARE (Community, Aspiration, Resilience and Excellence).

Miss Johal, Professional Learning Lead.



## A LEVEL RESULTS DAY!



**To Brookvale Groby Learning Campus** 

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## GCSE RESULTS DAY!



**12TH AUGUST 2021** 

**To Brookvale Groby Learning Campus** 

#CLASSOF2021 #BGLC #RESULTSDAY2021































**#BGLC\_ADT Year 7** 

**Animal influenced Artwork by** 

**Donna Sharam** 

























## **Year 7 Animal influenced** artwork by Henry Moore































# Year 7 Clay animals WOW!













































Year 8
Mexican Folk art































## **Year 11 Careers Evening 2021**



### **Brookvale Groby Learning Campus** Thursday 14th October 2021 **Brookvale Hall from 6pm**



All Year 11 Students and their Parents/Carers are invited to our Careers Evening to seek information, advice and guidance on careers choices and education pathways for 2022 and beyond. Find out about A Levels, T Levels, BTECs, Vocational courses and Apprenticeships.

#### Come Join:

- Brookvale Groby Post-16
- SMB Group (Stephenson College & Brooksby Melton College)
- **UFCB**
- NCS (National Citizen Service)
- Quorn AFC
- Loughborough University
- University of Hertfordshire
- RAF
- Loughborough College
- Babington (Apprenticeship provider)
- ASK (Apprenticeship advice service)
- **Gateway College**
- NWSLC
- Leicester College
- Severn Trent Water (Apprenticeships)
- De Montfort University
- Leicestershire County Council (Apprenticeships)



#### Presentations (repeated throughout):

Careers Adviser: Parents/Carers presentation on:

What are the options?

Key dates for applications and open days

Details of support from us

Applying through the Leicestershire Portal

PS16 for Post-16 courses

ASK: Parents/Carers presentation on: Everything you want to know about apprenticeships!



programme is fully underway with many 1:1 careers meetings already taking place. This year we hope to return to our fully engaging programme. We have planned trips to construction sites, universities and a hospital.

We are offering a wider range of work experience options for our Year 10 and Year 12 students, and are looking forward to inviting a wide range of guest speakers in to speak and enlighten our students about their career paths.

On our school's website, the careers section: https://brookvalegroby.com/careers-

#### advice-and-guidance/

has been completed, allowing all students to access relevant, interesting and handpicked information that they can rest assured of its authenticity and impartiality. Allowing greater control and access to good resources for our students to develop their career planning skills. The website is a useful hive of information for parents including a dedicated

page explaining our students' career education and key milestones as they move through the school.

To help parents and students navigate the vast number of webpages, I have put together this guide: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IssP9zo3dkjuNrXaGnr2JDHWrtK2gAwa/view?usp=sharing.

















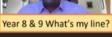




X&Y Clinic Leicester Live Presentation and Q&A Session with a group of our HPA

students







A stable careers programme Learning from career and labour market information Addressing the needs of each student Linking curriculum learning to careers Encounters with employers and employees Experiences of the workplaces Encounters with further and higher education Personal guidance



#### Online Events These are some examples of the online events our students chose to participate in at home:

Tim Peake Q&A Aerospace Virtual Work Experience

Virtual DMU Psychology Taster Home Learning with the RSC UCAS Apprenticeship Live Webina

SANS Cyber Camp

#### Upcoming Events 2021-2022

#### Autumn

Year 11 Careers Evening Year 11 Construction Site Visit Year 11 Mock Interviews



#### All Years National Apprenticeship Week All Years National Careers Week ear 9 Girls Construction Event

#### Year 12 Glenfield Hospital Experience Summer

#### Year 8 What's my line?

Year 8 & Year 9 Hospitality Industry Event Year 9 Sons and Daughters to Work Day Year 10 & Year 12 Work Experience

#### Throughout the year

Year 11 & Year 13 1:1 Careers Interview





## **POST 16 NEWS**

#### Year 13

Year 13 students are starting the second year of their 2 year courses. This is an important year for them not only with their subjects, but also their choices for Post 18. Year 13 tutor times have started to focus on UCAS and Apprenticeship applications. The first draft of their Personal Statement/CV needs to be handed in to their tutor by the end of September.



#### Year 12

We have welcomed our new Year 12 students into Post 16 and they are settling in well and are full of enthusiasm for their A level studies. They were all given welcome packs on their arrival which included a letter to them from a Year 13 student welcoming them and giving them some valuable advice and insight into starting Post 16. Over the next few weeks we will be launching our enrichment programme and students will opt for their chosen enrichment activities. Students are expected to complete a minimum of Bronze, Blue, Orange and Red Awards, but can also work towards Silver and Gold Awards, all of which will compliment their A Level studies and develop their communication, leadership and organisational skills.

#### **Head Students**

Our Post 16 Head Students, pictured below, are starting to launch their key aims for the coming year. They will be holding assemblies with all year groups to get them involved. Eleni O'Neill has already launched Great Big Green Week which runs from 18-26th September and has started to support this event with a competition. The competition is to create the best ecological invention. If you would like more information regarding the competition please email eoneil@brookvalegroby.com.









#### **2022 - 2023 Applications**

We will soon start to market our Post 16 centre for 2022-2023 applications. We will be visiting local schools and our Year 11 during tutor time and life skills lessons to showcase what we have here at BGLC. We hope to attract a high number of students again both internally and externally with our wide range of subject options, enrichment opportunities and newly refurbished Post 16 facilities.

Our own Post 16 Open Evening will be held on Thursday 11th November and everyone is invited to come and experience our Post 16 Centre, meet our amazing teachers and students and see what life in Post 16 @BGLC is all about!

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### **FREE JEXT PEN**

We recently signed up to a new initiative to get spare adrenaline pens in school. Thanks to the Vichai Srivaddhanaprabha Foundation (Leicester City Football Club) we have received:

- 1 Free Jext Pen
- 1 Free Jext Trainer Pen
- 1 Free LCFC pencil case

These items will be used in future staff training events and as an emergency back up as and when required.

Beth Morrison First Aid Lead



## ARTS AWARD SUCCESS!

At the end of last term a group of Year 10 and 13 students submitted their Arts Award portfolios to be assessed, and we are delighted to say that they have all passed. It's been a tough year trying to collate evidence when most arts events haven't happened, so they have done exceptionally well.

#### **Bronze Award:**

- Jagruti Lohit
- Mia Lowe
- Violet Mullen-Thomson
- Ed Bettles
- Amaris Imir

#### **Gold Award:**

- Poppy Mullen-Thomson
- Amelie Golesworthy
- Holly Philpott

## LANGUAGES QUIZLET VOCABULARY COMPETITION!

There will be a competition running in each year group for each language – with prizes and acclaim to be won! Create a Quizlet account using your school email and a recognisable name and then click the links on your assignments in Google Classroom to practice the vocabulary and become the leader for that week!

Stay tuned for more information and winners on social media!



Congratulations to the following students, who have been nominated by their languages teacher as the 'STAR of the Month for August'. They have all worked exceptionally hard this month, going above and beyond what is expected of them!

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Year 7	Isabel Kent Ollie Fawson	Tiyah-Anah Manchu Dulara Jayawardena	Lauren Matthews Luka Frosch
Year 8	Ava Watts Hassan Abdullah	Phoebe Wright Terrell Allen-Coltman	Lewis Parnell Sebastian Quincy Max Ryan
Year 9	William Watts Diyan Desai	Heike Brown Stanley Wozencroft	Connie Gittings Eve Edmonds
Year 10	Elliot Chodynicki Isabel Athey Zoe Nakas	Harry Scott	Jack Cannaby
Year 11	Lillyana Samardzija	Hannah Wozencroft	Angelina Perry
A Level	Holly Watson		







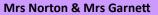


### LIBRARY NEWS

Hello everyone, we hope you all had a lovely summer and are raring to go in this new academic year. We would especially like to welcome our new Year 7's.

Many of you have already popped in to say hello and it's brilliant to see the books flying of the shelves. The library is a great place to study, read with friends and find resources to help support you with your learning.















Our new Year 7's were invited to join our mini book club that took place over the summer holidays.

We were so impressed with the brilliant work sent in to us, we really hope you enjoyed the book as much as we did.

		LIBRARY ACC	ESS TIMETABLE		
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break	ALL	ALL	ALL	ALL	ALL
Lunch	Year 7/8/9	Year 10/11	Year 7/8/9	Year 10/11	Year P16

## AUTHOR OF THE MONTH TOM PALMER

I struggled with reading when I was young. I didn't have the stamina to read long books. My mum got me reading newspapers and magazines about football to build my reading up. I liked them: they were about what I was interested in. Football.

"Credited with turning book phobic boys into page turning maniacs"



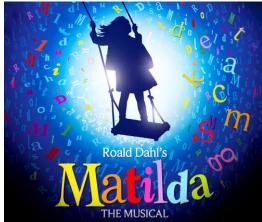
#### **P16 BOOK CLUB:**

If you are interested in joining this club please sign up by 15 September, the club will begin on Friday 24 at lunch. For more information please visit the library or email akaur@brookvalegroby.com

Our first read...



COMING SOON... NEWS ABOUT OUR FANTASTIC KS3 & KS4 BOOK CLUBS WILL BE PLACED ON THE BULLETIN SHORTLY



## **MATILDA THE MUSICAL**

The pandemic stopped a lot of things from happening and this means we've not had a whole school production on campus since March 2020! Well, you'll be pleased to know that we are bringing the whole school show back in 2022 and this time we are going to be performing Matilda the Musical.

"How can students get involved?" we hear you ask. We will be holding auditions and workshops for the show in the last two week of this half term. Auditions will only be for those people wanting a main part but workshops are for everyone. Students don't have to audition to be in the chorus.

In order to keep up to date with audition and workshop dates, students have been invited to join a Google Classroom specifically for the show.

We can't wait to bring back something that was such a big part of our school community.

Mr Goodger, Assistant Faculty Leader - Performing Arts

## **Extra-Curricular for Performing Arts**



### **Autumn Term 2021**



Lunchtimes: 1.30pm - 2pm

Activity	Where	When	Who for	Starting	Staff
Drama Club	Groby Drama Studio	Monday	KS3	6th September	Miss Smith
Extended Support drop in	Groby Music Room	Monday	KS5- BTEC PA and Music	6th September	Mrs Smith
Drama Club	Groby Drama Studio	Tuesday	KS4	7th September	Miss Smith
Learn to play the Guitar	Groby Music Room	Tuesday	All	14th Septem- ber	Mr Salmon
Music Tech Club Using Logic Pro on the IMacs	Groby Music Room	Wednesday	KS4	15th Septem- ber	Mr Salmon
Learn to play the Ukulele	Brookvale Mu- sic Room	Wednesday	All	8th September	Mrs Smith
Music Tech Club Using Logic Pro on the IMacs	Groby Music Room	Thursday	KS3	16th Septem- ber	Mr Salmon
Extended Support drop in	Groby Music Room	Friday	KS4- GCSE Music /GCSE Drama and BTEC PA	10th September	Mrs Smith

#### **After School:**

Activity	Where	When	Who for	Starting	Staff
Whole School Show- Matilda	Groby Drama Studio	Wednesday 3.30-4.30	All	6th October	Mr Goodger
Show Choir	Groby Drama Studio	Thursday 3.30-4.30	KS5- BTEC PA and Music	6th September	Mrs Smith/ Mrs Woodall





## **SILVER Duke of Edinburgh's Award**

The silver D of E students successfully finished their expedition in July.



## #BGLC ENGLISH

## **SCARECROWS**

Scarecrows are not just for frightening birds away from crops, or Bonfire Night, apparently! You may have spotted an extra pair of eyes gazing out at you from front gardens, pavements and street corners recently, as communities have come together to make life-sized interpretations of book related characters. In the library, we are launching a competition for book lovers and creative types to make a mini scarecrow version of a character from a book you have read (it doesn't have to be life-size). There are lots of videos on YouTube to give you an idea of how to construct your scarecrow, but here are a few tips:

- you don't need to buy anything new to make your scarecrow
- reuse and recycle clothes you have grown out of, bedding, old doll's clothes, and other bits and pieces of fabric you may find lying around your home
- a broom handle or wooden spoon makes a perfect central structure
- you can use paint, modelling clay, papier mache as well
- you will probably need string or twine to make head or body shapes
- think creatively how could you use old CDs or DVDs, or old cardboard inners?

Whatever you want to use - from an abandoned pair of wellies, to an old pillowcase, remember to ask permission before you use them!

For further information, speak to Mrs Norton in the library, or your English or ADT teacher. The winner will receive a book voucher, with all scarecrows displayed in the library.

Mrs Bellamy, Head of English

## KS3 RECOMMENDED READS



#### **Year 7:**

## The Dark is Rising by Susan Cooper

Just prior to his 11th birthday, Will discovers he's the last person left with the power of the Old Ones, and his mission is to guard the Light and drive out the Dark.



#### Year 8:

#### The Giver by Lois Lowry

12 year old Jonas lives is a world with no poverty, no crime, and where everyone is the same. But when takes the role of "receiver of memory" he becomes one of the only people to understand how the world he lives in came about.



#### Year 9:

#### **Hatchet by Gary Paulsen**

Brian, a streetwise teen
who lives in the city, is
left stranded in the
wilderness after a plane crash
– with only a hatchet to survive. Will he make it?

## USEFUL LINKS FOR ENGLISH LITERATURE REVISION

#### Attention Years 10 and 11!

Stuck for some revision ideas?
Use these links to complete some online revision!

#### **A Christmas Carol**

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwhkxsg

https://revisionworld.com/a2-level-level-revision/english-literature-gcse-level/christmas-carol-charles-dickens

https://www.yorknotes.com/gcse/english-literature/a-christmas-carol-2017/revision-cards

#### **Animal Farm**

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zqp86fr
https://revisionworld.com/a2-level-level-revision/english-literature-gcse-level/animal-farm-george-orwell
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLz ZtyOWL9BSJjEDWJISJLN\_t-Nxv01m6

#### Macbeth

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bMQHaJtght0&list=PLz\_ZtyOWL9BRFH 6yaCzmlYlB1OauljNJw

> https://www.sparknotes.com/shakespeare/macbeth/ https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zgq3dmn

### **CALLING ALL YEAR 11s!**

Study A Level English Language to gain invaluable skills for life:

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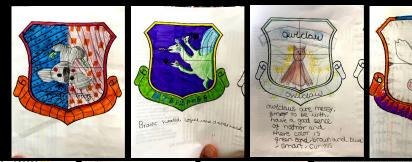
Some career pathways where A level English Language is advantageous:

- Law
- Travel and Tourism
- Education
- Media and Marketing
- Government and Politics
- Science and Medical
- Performing Arts

Speak to Mr Male for more information!



## YEAR 7 (EGI) HARRY POTTER HOUSE SHIELD DESIGNS:









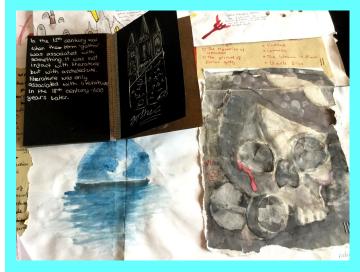








Mrs Bellamy's Year 8 English class produced some thoughtful work about the gothic genre as summer homework:





## PIXL MATHS APP (available to download online and in all App stores)

The PiXL Maths App (PMA) gives students the perfect opportunity to revise and practice their key skills whenever they want without needing to even touch a book. The app, which is compatible with any smartphone or computer, has thousands of questions, videos and Powerpoints for your child to get to grips with their Maths. For any student currently studying GCSE, the PMA has Grade Challenges suited to test the students at whatever level they are working, whether they are pushing for that Grade 4 or targeting a Grade 9, as well as everything in between.



The log in details are as follows:

School ID: BV6763 UserID: FirstnameInitial (eg DaveB)

Password: Students have been allocated these, any issues with this please contact your child's Maths teacher.

These log in details are the same for the PiXL Mental Maths App (MMA) as well, which gives students the chance to practice their

key knowledge until they can recall it in less than 5 seconds. More suitable for our KS3 students, the MMA allows students to simply practice their times tables with no pressure, compete against the clock to see how fast they can recall them, or even play a range of games against other all other schools in the PiXL network. For example, the game "Survival" gives the students 12 questions to answer and if they can survive, the school earn survival points.

#### Corbett 5 a Day

We have seen and heard several success stories of students who have used Corbett Maths to great effect during their GCSE studies in the past.

This free-to-use website allows students to attempt 5 questions a day, linked to their ability. There are 5 levels of difficulty per day:

Numeracy – to practise those basic numbers skills which can be so important throughout the exams.

Foundation – for those students aiming for that Grade 4.

Foundation Plus – this is for the students who have consolidated a 4 and want to look at more of the crossover material between Higher and Foundation.

Higher – Grade 6/7 material for those who are sitting the Higher tier paper.

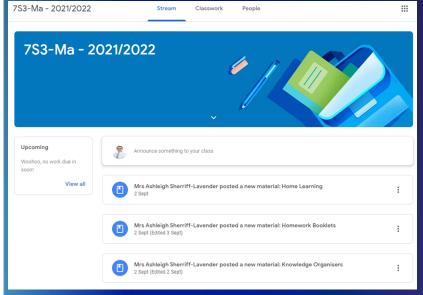
Higher Plus – for the highest of fliers, a chance to extend themselves with regular Grade 8/9 level questions.

This regular assessment of students' knowledge and constant identifying of gaps enables them to tailor their home learning perfectly to their needs. The questions are set in a calendar format, meaning there are questions every day for our students to practice at their level.

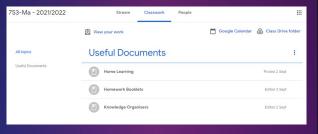
#### **Google Classroom**

Within your child's maths classroom you will find all the important documents that have been shared with students. This includes work that your child should complete should they be required to self-isolate or work from home for any reason. It also includes the Knowledge Organisers and Homework.

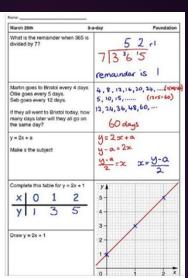
This is what your child's classroom stream will look like. New posts will appear at the top with the date.



In the classwork tab, items are placed under headings to make it easier for the student to find.



Maths Faculty #BGLC Maths







During tutor time students will have the opportunity to learn about the attributes and character traits that employers are looking for within their staff. This is known as the PiXL LORIC programme. Within the programme students will develop their leadership, organisational, resilience, initiative and communication skills. Alongside this students can gain an accredited award called The PiXL Edge Award. The Edge Award challenges students to use the LORIC character attributes in the real world. There are three different levels: Apprentice, Graduate and Master. As students progress through the levels the activities become longer and more challenging to complete. To achieve the award at each level students have to complete:

Apprentice Level: 10 activities

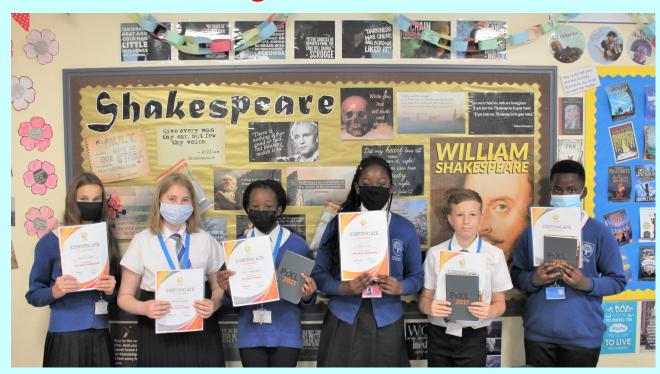
Graduate: 8 activities Master: 6 activities



Below are examples of the types of activities students can get involved in to achieve their award. Over the next few weeks students will be introduced to the PiXL Edge award and given log in details for the Edge app/ website.

PIXL EDGE ATTRIBUTE: LEADERSHIP	
Activity	Level
Captain a team in a class quiz.	Apprentice
Captain a sports team for a club outside of school.	Apprentice
Complete WWF Carbon footprint questionnaire and plan to reduce carbon footprint.	Apprentice
Lead on an issue raised by your form group. Present the issue to the school council and lead a campaign for change.	Apprentice
PIXL EDGE ATTRIBUTE: ORGANISATION	
Activity	Level
Build a paper model of a satellite from written instructions.	Apprentice
Organise a presentation about an historical figure to share with your year group.	Apprentice
Assist a relative following recent operation; wheelchair daily walk, care each day for 10 weeks.	Apprentice
Create a home learning timetable for yourself.	Apprentice
PIXL EDGE ATTRIBUTE: RESILIENCE	
Activity	Level
Achieve 95% attendance for half a term.	Apprentice
Achieve a Bronze Medallion in Life-saving.	Apprentice
Achieve a beginner's radio transmitting licence.	Apprentice
Achieve a grade 3 music qualification.	Apprentice
Undertake a new hobby and learn how to perform magic tricks.	Apprentice
PIXL EDGE ATTRIBUTE: INITIATIVE	
Activity	Level
Audition for a lead role in a school production.	Apprentice
Enter a competition.	Apprentice
Begin to manage your personal finances by taking the initiative to record your incoming and outgoing money and track your balance.	Apprentice
Create a recipe book with your peers to introduce people to healthy cooking.	Apprentice
PIXL EDGE ATTRIBUTE: COMMUNICATION	
Activity	Level
Deliver a presentation about an area of personal interest.	Apprentice
Design an activity that encourages creativity.	Apprentice
Design a poster or display board about being a Young Carer.	Apprentice
Research a hero or villain from the past and present your findings.	Apprentice

## **PiXL Edge Awards Success!**



The students in 8JST have been very busy over the summer holidays, they have been working very hard to gain their PiXL Edge Awards. The students have been cooking meals for their family, doing jobs around the house and even holding garden parties for their friend. A fantastic well done to all the students who have now earnt their PiXL Apprentice and

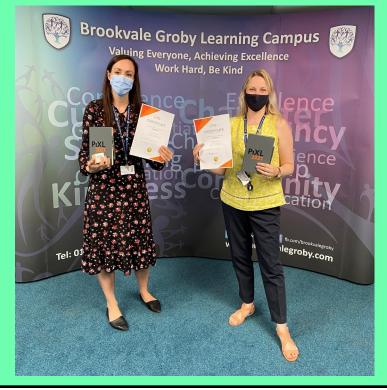
PiXL Pioneer awards. WELL DONE!

## **PiXL's Engagement Leadership Programme**

Our fabulous Middle Leaders Mrs Varney, Mrs Alban and Ms Hawke have successfully completed <u>PiXL's Engagement Leadership Programme</u>.

They have worked together throughout the year and implemented many of the ideas @pixlclub

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**





## **MY SCHOOL FUND INITIATIVE**



In association with







Introducing My School Fund, an exciting new initiative that combines the spending power of parents, guardians and carers in order to boost school budgets.

## Visit and register at: https://www.myschoolfund.org/#/Parent/login



#### Step 1

Visit myschoolfund.org to sign up for free and link to your child's school



Step 2

Register your credit/debit card to your account



#### Step 3

Spend at participating retailers



#### Step 4

Start receiving your eGift Cards!

In May we announced that **Brookvale Groby Learning Campus** is now part of the **My School Fund** initiative. This innovative scheme allows for us to be able to boost our school's budget with your help. **You can still join, it's not too late.** 

#### How does it work?

Parents, Guardians and Carers can sign up to the scheme for free and start earning cashback on the things they buy in participating retail stores, including Sainsbury's and Argos. As you spend you'll receive 2% cashback in the form of eGift vouchers that can be redeemed in participating stores. By linking your spend to our school on the My School Fund website we'll also earn 1% cashback on your spend.

Add that all up across our school's network of families and together we can all make a big difference!

#### How to get involved

Visit <u>myschoolfund.org</u> to register for free and link to <u>Brookvale Groby Learning Campus</u>. From there, everything you spend in participating stores will go towards helping boost our budget, plus your own!



#### Sign up today at myschoolfund.org

#### Adding a credit/debit card

Once you have registered you will be asked to link a card to your My School Fund account. This information is protected using bank level encryption. The site does not ask you to provide any card information that will allow anyone to make a payment on your card – i.e. it does not ask for the card security code (CVC or CVV). More information about data protection and security is available at <a href="mayschoolfund.org">myschoolfund.org</a>

### https://www.myschoolfund.org/#/School/faqs



Here is also the promotional YouTube video for Parents to peruse: https://youtu.be/I2KXOTxPAWc

### SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

As a campus we give the highest priority to safeguarding our children and young people in all aspects of their school and college lives. This means that staff and volunteers must be alert to possible concerns about every student, and to report these in a proper fashion. The campus has a Safeguarding and Child Protection policy which parents/carers can view on our website; <a href="https://www.brookvalegroby.com">www.brookvalegroby.com</a>

In order to effectively safeguard all students and adults on site it is important that all visitors to school, including Parents and Carers, sign in at reception before they go anywhere else. All adults on the campus are asked to challenge any adults that they see on site who are not wearing identification that indicates that they have signed in at reception. Please do not go directly to the Groby building or any other part of the campus without first going to reception in the Brookvale building.

#### It is important for parents to be aware that:

- Staff and volunteers in the campus have a duty to report concerns about a child, whether this means the child may be in need of
  additional support or help of some kind or whether it is thought that a child may have been abused or be at risk of abuse.
- In some cases the campus is obliged to refer children to children's social care staff, for children to be assessed for their needs or if an investigation into possible child abuse is required.
- In many cases there will already have been discussions between campus staff and the parents of the child, and the situation and concerns will not be a surprise to the parents. However, parents may not be told that the campus has referred their child to children's social care if it is thought that this might put the child at risk.
- Children's social care tries to carry out its enquiries in a sensitive fashion. It has to gather information and generally it can be open with parents about the steps being taken.
- If you think your child may have been abused, or may be at risk, you should contact the children's social care office. If you think the abuse may have happened on campus, contact the Headteacher or the Designated Senior Person for Child Protection, who is Mr Godwin, Senior Deputy Headteacher. If you think your child has been hurt, arrange to visit your doctor. Comfort and reassure your child.

For parents' enquiries please contact: Mr Godwin, Senior Deputy Headteacher

### **PEACE GARDEN UPDATE**

We had a successful first opening of the Peace Garden to students with a great turnout and smiles all around.

Students enjoyed a well deserved ice cold treat and even got their hands dirty helping maintain the Garden.

Thank you to the wonderful community for all their donations so far to make this space possible'

Ms Gajjar, Youth Project Leader for the BGLC Peace Garden.

**WELL DONE!** 

**#TeamBGLC** 







## ARA-URRIUR SPORT

2021-22



TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH TIME	KS4/5		KS3/KS4	KS3 BASKETBALL	KS5 VOLLEYBALL
1:30pm	BASKETBALL		VOLLEYBALL	Sports Hall	Sports Hall
to	Sports Hall		Sports Hall	MLO	JLE
	MLO		JLE		
2:00pm					
AFTER SCHOOL	STAFF	KS3 NETBALL	NETBALL AND	KS4/KS5	STAFF SPORT
3:15pm	MEETINGS	Netball Courts	FOOTBALL	NETBALL	
to		LWL/MRI	FIXTURES	Sports Hall	
		KS3 FOOTBALL		LWL/MRI	000
4:15pm		Field	Fixtures are arran	ged for	
2.2.0		JBN/MLO/MSH	a Tuesday, Wedne	sday or	
		YR 10 FOOTBALL	Thursday so so	ome	WA
	W. Tark	Sports Hall	sessions may		
	78/-	JLE	cancelled.		1000

## **GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL SUCCESS!**

The Under 13 Groby Junior Gladiators finished top of the U13 Spring Red division.

The whole Year 8 squad are students at Brookvale Groby Learning Campus, and went the Spring season unbeaten!

WELL DONE – fabulous news! #BGLC\_PE

Phil Chick, Manager Groby Junior Gladiator U13's









League Table			FULL TABLE DETA			
Pos	Team	Р	w	D	L	PTS
1	Groby Juniors Gladiators	7	6	1	0	19
2	Braunstone Athletic	7	5	1	1	16
3	Fleckney Athletic Junior Rebels	7	4	1	2	13
4	Riverside United Junior Ravens	7	4	0	3	12
5	Blaby & Whetstone FC Colts	6	2	0	4	6
6	Shepshed Dynamo Youth & Junior	5	1	1	3	4
7	Mountsorrel Junior Tigers	6	1	0	5	3

**The FA** 







## **BGLC FOOTBALL NEWS**





Three of our ex-students who completed their GCSE studies in 2021 have gone into an elite football environment.

Will Alves and Kyle McAdam have started their professional careers at Leicester City and Nottingham Forest, respectively. Both have broken into the U23 teams picking up regular minutes and Will came off the bench against

Fleetwood Town in the recent Papa John's Trophy game. Meanwhile, Mackenzie Smith has been making huge progress in the women's game. She has been training regularly with the Leicester City Women's 1st team for the past year and she was on the bench for their opening WSL game against Aston Villa at the weekend. She also picked up her first England cap this summer with the U16's.

Two of our current Year 12 students, <u>Dulci Binns</u> and <u>Darcy Warden</u>, are part of the Leicester City Women's Reserve squad who opened their season with a 9-1 win over Doncaster Rovers in the FA Women's Reserve League.

It's amazing to see all these individuals doing so well in their chosen sport.

A HUGE CONGRATULAIONS AND WELL DONE!

### YEAR 10 THEO COATS TENNIS CHAMPION!

Congratulations to <u>Theo Coats</u> in Year 10 who was crowned the U18 Leicestershire County Tennis Champion 2021! Theo beat Thomas Giles in the final, with Giles getting revenge in the U16 final. Theo also picked up the U18 boys doubles and mixed doubles titles.

What a fantastic tournament for Theo.

Theo is currently ranked 6th in the country for his age group - MASSIVE CONGRATULATIONS THEO! #BGLC\_PE







## YEAR 9 LOUIE PADDISON COUNTY CHAMPION!

Congratulations to Louie Paddison (Year 9), as over the summer he became the U15 Leicestershire and Rutland County Champion in both the 1500m and 3000m events! Louie has since competed in both events in the Midlands Counties

Championships, finishing 4th and 2nd respectively.

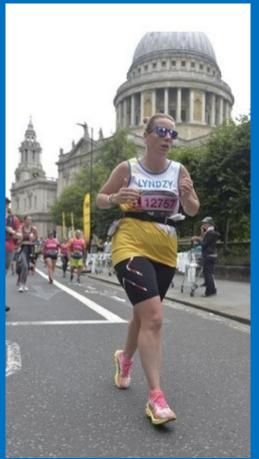
Louie is a keen runner and a member of Wreake and Soar Valley Athletics Club. He is also a regular competitor in the schools cross country events.

His parents and BGLC are very proud of what Louie has achieved. This wasn't something that came naturally to him when he was younger and his recent success is down to his dedication and hard work.

WELL DONE LOUIE!
#BGLC\_PE



# MRS WILES LONDON MARATHON TRAINING CONTINUES



Mrs Wiles's dream of running the London marathon "in London" is getting nearer and with it she continues to run the long miles to ensure she is as ready as she ever will be to pound the 26.2 miles come Sunday October 3rd. She is running in aid of the local hospice LOROS, who like many charities have struggled during recent months due to shops closing and charity events being cancelled. During the last few months and with the opening of races she has participated in a number of half marathons to make sure she is as ready as she can be (her favourite being the London Landmarks Half Marathon). The training for London has gone on for longer than planned due to the pandemic but she has kept going and has really appreciated all the support she has received from students and their families as she runs the local area as part of her training. Hearing a "Hi Miss" and seeing a friendly smile when hitting mile 15 on a long run always gives her a nice boost so please keep supporting her when you see her out and about as she really appreciates it. If you would like to sponsor her on her journey she has a just giving page:

http://www.justgiving.com/Lyndzy-Wiles1?utm\_id=124 YEAR 9
ANNAYA-AMBA
PATEL
3RD DAN BLACK
BELT AT
TAEKWONDO!

Congratulations also goes to

Annaya-Amba Patel (Year 9)

who on the 25th July successfully graded for her third Dan black belt at Taekwondo. She had to complete a written exam and practical tests.

A great achievement becoming a third Dan!

**WELL DONE Annaya-Amba!** 

**#BGLC PE** 



LFE Girls Rugby are recruiting now!

Here are a couple of links which you may find useful too: https://www.instagram.com/leicesterforestgirlsrugby/ https://www.facebook.com/Leicesterforestgirlsrugby



## **AUTUMN TERM KEY DIARY DATES - ALL YEARS**

Monday 23 & Tuesday 24 August •

Wednesday 25 August •

Thursday 26 August •

Friday 27 August •

Thursday 2 September •

Thursday 16 September • Tuesday 21 September •

Thursday 30 September •

Tuesday 5 October •

Thursday 14 October •

Friday 16 October •

MONDAY 18 - FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER •

Monday 25 October •

Tuesday 26 October •

Wednesday 3 & Thursday 5 November •

Thursday 11 November • Tuesday 16 November •

Tuesday 7 December •

Tuesday 21 December •

WEDNESDAY 22 DECEMBER - TUESDAY 4 JANUARY •

Wednesday 5 January •

Teacher Days - no students on campus

Students return to campus

Years 7 & 10 student photos Year 12 student photos

Year 10 GCSE Readiness Virtual Evening 6pm - 7pm

Year 7 & Year 12 Parent/Tutor Induction Evening

Year 8 HPV Vaccinations

Year 6 Campus Open Evening 6pm - 8pm

Year 13 interim reports issued

Year 11 Virtual Careers Evening 6pm

Campus closes at 3.10pm

MID TERM BREAK

**CAMPUS CLOSED to students for Teacher Day** 

**CAMPUS OPEN** 

Year 11 Practice Interviews

Post 16 Open Evening 6pm - 8pm

Year 11 full reports issued

Year 9 full reports, Year 7, 8, 10 & 12 interim reports issued

Campus closes at 1.25pm

**CHRISTMAS BREAK** 

CAMPUS OPEN start of the Spring Term - ALL students to attend

## **ACADEMIC YEAR 2021 - 2022 KEY DATES:**



#### **AUTUMN TERM** (78 school days)

Open Wednesday 25 August 2021 **August Bank Holiday** Monday 30 August 2021

Monday 18 to Friday 22 October 2021 **Mid-Term Break** Monday 25 October 2021 (NO STUDENTS) **Teacher Training Day** 

Tuesday 21 December 2021 (1.25pm finish time)

#### **SPRING TERM** (63 school days)

Wednesday 5 January 2022

**Mid-Term Break** Monday 14 to Friday 18 February 2022 Friday 8 April 2022 (3.10pm finish time) Close

#### **SUMMER TERM** (49 school days)

Open Monday 25 April 2022 May Day Monday 2 May 2022

Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June 2022 **Mid-Term Break** Close Friday 8 July 2022 (1.25pm finish time)

**TEACHER DAYS** Flexible days when staff are required to be in Campus but students are not:-

- Monday 23 August 2021 - Tuesday 24 August 2021 - Monday 25 October 2021

## SOCIAL MEDIA Please follow us on:

Facebook (@BrookvaleGrobyLearningCampus)

or Twitter (@BrookvaleGroby)

Please note that important information will always be shared with parents by email, so if you are not on

Twitter or Facebook then you will not miss anything crucial. Nevertheless we warmly welcome you to join our online community!



#### **BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS**

#### **FACILITIES AND VENUE HIRE**



At Brookvale Groby Learning Campus, we're proud to be able to offer a range of facilities for hire to suit your needs.

Located in the village of Groby, our site is easy to access. We can provide a licensed bar, free access to Wi-Fi and free onsite parking.

With a helpful team of staff who are on-hand to assist you, get in touch to check availability or to arrange a viewing.

Please call 0116 2817017 or email@ <a href="mailto:spatel@brookvalegroby.com">spatel@brookvalegroby.com</a>
www.brookvalegroby.com











