



BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS

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Dear Parent / Carer/ Student

As you will be aware we have installed new perimeter fencing and gates around our campus, to improve safeguarding and have an accurate view of who is on site should there be a fire or other significant event.

Further to earlier communications there is an expectation that all Yr 12 students remain on campus throughout the school day but are allowed to leave for break and lunchtime. To facilitate this, card readers have been installed on the new gates and all students will need to ensure they tap in and out of our campus. The decision to keep Yr 12 students on site is underpinned by the following rationale:

- A desire to secure the best outcomes possible and allow for successful transition to their next steps
- This year group has missed significant periods of time and we need to make maximum use of the time they have in school studying
- The transition from Yr 11 to P16 is always challenging and this provides a more structured and supportive approach
- It ensure that all students receive the full curriculum offer and fulfill their learning hours
- It has allowed us to add enrichment every Wednesday afternoon to support our students and broaden their experience
- It allows students to form good study habits as they progress into Yr 13 and further education
- Experience shows that where study time is used effectively outcomes are significantly improved
- It allows students to develop greater independence in a supportive framework

As students progress into Yr 13 they will be granted greater freedom to sign in and out, assuming our core expectations around attendance, progress and organisation have been met. Should a student be falling significantly behind this privilege will be removed to support their academic progress.

As a result Yr 13 students are for now allowed to leave the site at other times within the school day but there is again an expectation that they are here everyday to be involved in Tutor time and the broader enrichment offer that forms part of their learning hours.

With greater freedoms comes greater responsibility, as such all students regardless of year group must sign in and out of campus and failure to do so could result in this privilege being revoked.

Instructions for the new gate system are attached and we will start to trial the system for the rest of this week and go live from Tuesday 26th October.

Yours sincerely

Will Teece
Headteacher

BGLC NEW GATE SYSTEM

The new gate system will be live on Tuesday 26th October.

The system will work to allow you to get in and out of the campus and also download the data to give us an accurate record of when students are on and off campus. This data will be used to inform our attendance officer and ensure further safeguarding of our students.

Instructions - Students will need to:

- Enter the campus using the main gate and swipe their card, until the light goes green, to enter the campus.
 - Students need to ensure they do this even if the gates are open so that it records them being on campus.
 - If a student does not swipe their card on arrival then the card will be locked and they will be unable to exit the campus until the gates open at 3.10pm
 - Students arriving on buses will not need to swipe their card on arrival
- Year 12 students will be able to use their cards to leave campus for break and lunch.
 - If students are leaving or returning in a group, it is important that they all swipe out and back in again, not just the first one who opens the gate.
- Students leaving at the end of the school day will NOT need to swipe their card.

Should students forget their card and the gates are closed then they will need to press the intercom buzzer to speak to reception to gain access to the campus.

If students need to leave campus during the school day due to illness or a pre-arranged appointment they will need to speak to the Post 16 Team to have access granted to their card to be able to leave. If there are any other issues with student cards they should come to see the Post 16 Team.

For the rest of this week we will be trialling the system. Can you please make sure at some point you swipe your card to enter or exit the campus to ensure your card is working and we have no issues. Should your card not be working correctly then please go and see a member of the IT team before we finish for half term.