



BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS

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CAMPUS NEWSLETTER

CAMPUS OPEN EVENING

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THURSDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 2023

5pm - 8pm

For entry into Year 7 from August 2024

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HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

September 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome to our first Newsletter of the year and it has been great to have all of our students back on campus. We have seen a really positive start to the new term and I have been really delighted to see that students have already achieved close to 10,000 achievement points.

It has been wonderful to welcome our new Year 7 students on campus too and they have settled in extremely well already. [Year 7 Welcome Letter](#)

BGLC continues to be a popular choice in the community with 240 students enrolling and a waiting list of families wanting a place at our school.

We were very pleased with the academic success of our students at both GCSE and A Level this year and we are confident that results will improve further in the coming years. The foundations have been securely laid for the year ahead and we look forward to working closely with all our students and stakeholders. It was a real privilege to welcome students back onto campus to celebrate their success in our recent Annual Awards Evening that recognised the amazingly talented students we have across our campus. A summary of our results was shared in the letter below:

[GCSE & A Level Examinations Parent Letter](#)

We continue to focus heavily on improving the [culture](#) across our campus in order to provide an excellent education for all our students. The shift in culture is evident across campus and on recent tours with prospective parents many commented on how calm, orderly, polite and respectful our students were. This is testament to the work undertaken and to your children. We will continue to raise our expectations so students receive the best educational experience possible and to this end, I would ask for your continued support with high standards of uniform (adherence to our policy) and ensuring your children arrive in school every day and on time. The DFE has asked all schools to focus strongly on improving attendance and this will be an area of focus for our school that will be discussed with students in the coming months. There has always been a strong link between academic success and strong attendance, so please always encourage your child to attend school. Our approach to attendance is outlined [here](#).

As always, we will be seeking the views of all stakeholders to guide our work in the year ahead and we will shortly be sharing an email to a survey conducted by an external company called Kirkland Rowell. They collate and share the data with us and this in turn will be shared with you and highlight what we do well and what we need to improve further. So, I would encourage all parents and carers to share their views by the given deadline as your views really matter to us.

We are delighted to have secured two CIF bids to improve our school further. One for new windows in the Groby building and another for a new block of classrooms with 20 additional toilets. Planning permission has just been submitted and we are hoping work will commence in the new year. The toilets will make a huge difference to our community and have been a regular issue raised by students as we have too few.

This term is always an exceptionally busy term in school but I am really looking forward to continuing to serve our community and work with our amazing young people, it is a real privilege.

Yours sincerely

Will Teece, Headteacher.

POST 16 OPEN EVENING

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THURSDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2023

5pm - 8pm

2024 ADMISSIONS

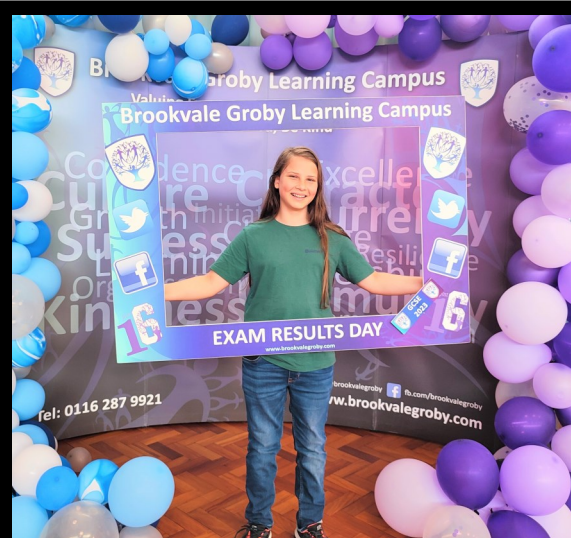
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A WARM WELCOME BACK TO ALL!



YEAR 8 LUKA FROSCH ACHIEVED **GRADE 9** IN GCSE GERMAN!

Congratulations to Luka Frosch who whilst in Year 8 achieved a **GRADE 9** GCSE in German on results day!

WELL DONE LUKA!

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Mr Will Teece, Headteacher, Brookvale Groby Learning Campus



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WHY CHOOSE THE BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS?

"Good effective transition from primary school to Year 7."

"Teachers are passionate about their subjects and try to get the best out of the students."

We are always striving for excellence, promoting and sharing outstanding practice throughout the campus.



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KEY STAGE 3 HOMEWORK CLUB

KS3 Homework Club commences from 19th September. It will take place in the library, after school from 15:15 - 16:00 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, however, we will not be able to provide transport. Homework club is an opportunity for students to have additional support in a calm environment. Learning Support Assistants and P16 Mentors will be on hand to help. We have a limited number of 30 spaces and spaces will need to be booked
via Arbor -> School -> Activities -> Clubs.

**In the first instance we will
divide the sessions:**

Tuesday - Year 7
Wednesday - Years 8 & 9
Thursday - Year 7

**For more information, please see the
Weekly Parent Bulletin sent on a Friday.**

**Mr Bugh, Assistant Headteacher
- Teaching and Learning**

EXAMS UPDATE

Congratulations to all students who collected their results in August - see pages 4 & 5 for photos of the exam results days.

Exams and Assessment Calendar 2023 - 24

Please find [here](#) our Exams & Assessment 2023 - 24 calendar.

Any amendments or alterations will be communicated to you and the calendar updated on the campus website.

<https://brookvalegroby.com/examinations/>

Year 11 and Year 13 November Mocks: 20th November - 1st December 2023 (timetable available soon...)

January / February 2024 External Exams

- 11th January 2024 PM - Y12/Y13 Cambridge Technicals Media Unit 1 - Media products and audiences
- 12th January 2024 AM - Y12/Y13 ICT - BTEC Unit 1 - Information Technology Systems
- 12th January 2024 PM - Y12 Health and Social Care - BTEC Unit 1 - Human Lifespan Development
- 15th January 2024 AM - Y13 Health and Social Care - BTEC Unit 2 - Working in Health and Social Care
- 16th January 2024 PM - Y13 Cambridge Technicals Media Unit 2 - Pre-production and planning
- 18th January 2024 PM - Y13 Cambridge Technicals Media Unit 6 - Social media and globalisation

Certificates

June 23 certificates will be available to collect from mid November 2023
- details for collection will be on our website and social media.

Certificates from previous years (2020/2021/2022) are still available - please check if you have collected yours.
2020 certificates will be securely destroyed after October 2023 half term.

CONTACT THE EXAMS TEAM: E: exams@brookvalegroby.com T: 0116 287 9921



A LEVEL RESULTS DAY!

17TH AUGUST 2023

To Brookvale Groby Learning Campus

#CLASSOF2023

#BGLC

#RESULTSDAY2023

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GCSE RESULTS DAY!

24TH AUGUST 2023

To Brookvale Groby Learning Campus

#CLASSOF2023

#BGLC

#RESULTSDAY2023

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POST 16 NEWS



Unifrog is the complete destinations platform. This helps students find their future apprenticeships, University courses, careers etc.

Students in Year 12 have now logged in, taken the *Personality Quiz* and are beginning to track their enrichment opportunities.

Year 13 students will finalise their University searches on the platform, and teacher/tutors are busy writing subject references.

Unifrog is a real investment in our students' futures, helping them to make the best choices, and submit the strongest applications at age 18+.



SUPERVISED STUDY

Supervised study is back in full swing for Post 16. It has been a wonderful experience, students are silently completing tasks set by their teachers or independent work.

Students are finding it such a positive session that they are opting to attend more than the one compulsory lesson!



YOUNG DRIVER DAY



At the end of the summer term; 12th July, our Year 12 students took part in a Young Driver Day and completed their Red enrichment award. We welcomed the Police, Fire Service and local council onto site for a range of activities. We raised awareness of why it is so important as young drivers to be safe on the roads and consider others. In the afternoon students were able to witness the roof being cut off a car, it took considerably longer than they anticipated!



On Wednesday 6th September we welcomed a guest speaker from the University of Leicester to talk to Year 13 students about writing their personal statement. We've set all Year 13 students the task of writing their personal statement by October half term.

Our Post 16 students now have regular access to the gym on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes, as well as Friday fun sports in the sports hall. A special thanks goes to Mr Leonard who spends four lunchtimes a week supporting our Post 16 students to stay active. We've also had a delivery of new sports equipment - basketballs, footballs, tennis rackets and badminton equipment. Post 16 students are encouraged to spend time each week being active, getting fresh air, and spending time with friends.

Our own Post 16 Open Evening will be held on Thursday 12th October 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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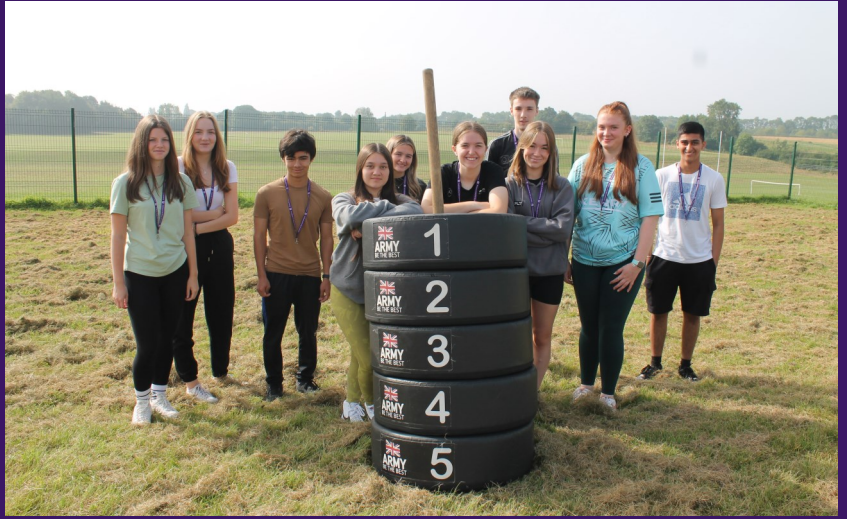
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IN THE ARMY NOW!

Wednesday 6th September, we welcomed 5 members of the Army onto campus for our new Year 12 students to complete an elite skills training experience. Many of our students at Post 16 may not have attended our school before, so this was a great way to build new relationships and get to know one another.

[#BGLC Post16](#)



A GLITTERING CELEBRATION OF STUDENT SUCCESS

On Thursday 14 September, former Year 11 and 13 students were recognised for their success, hard work & wider contribution to the campus. This was the 10th Annual Student Awards to be held on campus. It was a tremendous celebration recognising not only the academic excellence but also individuals who had overcome adversity to complete some outstanding GCSE & A Level results. Our Guest Speaker for the evening was ex-student Dr Ella Richards; Specialist Registrar in Palliative medicine. Thanks also go to Year 11 students; Emma Law & Bertie Duffin for their amazing solo performances.

THE MAIN YEAR 11 AWARD WINNERS PHOTOS:



GCSE Top Achieving Girl
- Tiana Dhorajia



GCSE Top Achieving Boys
- Shayne Chandarana & Jack Swain



Most Improved Student
- Laura Blanchard



Extra Curricular winner
- Summer Henderson



Pride of Groby
- Frankie Gambardella



Pre 16 Ambassador of the Year
- Jack Swain



The HOUSE AWARD WINNERS: Pictured L - R; Le Bron Khan, Grace Dagley, Freja Sawbridge & Shayne Chandarana



TOP 10 HIGHEST GCSE ACHIEVERS (in alphabetical order):

| | | | |
|-------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Shayne Chandarana | Tiana Dhorajia | George Driver | Frankie Gambardella |
| Katie Lane | Megan Long | Joe Matthews | Shree Pardivalla |
| Amelia Smith | Jack Swain | | |

Well done to all of the students from the GCSE Class of 2023!

YEAR 13 MAIN AWARD WINNERS



A Level Top Achieving Girl
(TPS) & (APS) - Ella Swann



A Level Top Achieving Boy
(TPS) - Tom Bland



A Level Top Achieving Boys (APS)
- Alistair McNeil & Zhi-Hong Guo



Post 16 Ambassador of the
Year - Leah Tailor



Excellence in Sport
- Dulci Binns



Hall Trophy
- Zhi-Hong Guo



Year 11 students; Emma Law & Bertie Duffin
gave amazing solo performances.



Guest Speaker for the evening was ex-student,
Dr Ella Richards; Specialist Registrar in Palliative medicine
who delivered an inspirational speech! (pictured right)



TOP 13 HIGHEST A LEVEL ACHIEVERS (in alphabetical order):

Ethan Bailey
Alistair McNeil
Kayleigh Simpson

Tom Bland
Alexander Mitting
Ruben Smith

Jess Chong
Isha Modha
Ella Swann

Zhi-Hong Guo
Chloe Palmer
Leah Tailor

Emma Wroe

Well done to all of the students from the A LEVEL Class of 2023
Good luck in your further education / employment!

SUBJECT AWARDS

These subject awards were presented by our Guest Speaker Dr Ella Richards, Faculty Leaders and members of our Senior Leadership Team, who were proud to congratulate the students who had achieved the most in their subject areas.



Year 11 **ART & DESIGN** Year 13



Year 11 **FLEIXBLE LEARNING**



Year 11 **ENGLISH & MEDIA** Year 13



Year 11 **MATHS** Year 13



Year 11 **HUMANITIES** Year 13



Year 11 **PERFORMING ARTS** Year 13



Year 11 **SCIENCE** Year 13



Year 11 **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**



Year 11 **LANGUAGES** Year 13



Year 11 **BUSINESS, COMPUTER SCIENCE & ICT** Year 13



NORMANDY 2023 RESIDENTIAL TRIP

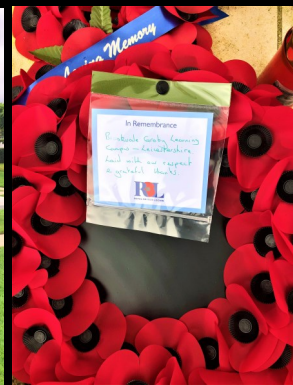
Week commencing the 11th September, was the BGLC annual residential trip to Normandy.

As usual we had a dual focus of French and History. We practiced our reading and speaking of French in a number of different towns including Honfleur, Bayeux and Arromanches. We learnt a little of French culture on our visit to a goat farm.

We visited Falaise castle, home of William the Conqueror, and saw the world-famous Bayeux Tapestry.

We also visited a number of sites linked to the D-Day landings of 1944 and held our usual act of remembrance in the British War Cemetery in Bayeux. Our students were complimented on several occasions by members of the public about their excellent behaviour.

In the evenings we visited the beach, played ball games outside our hotel and on the final evening we held a memorable team competition, comprising of physical challenges and quizzes about what we had learnt.



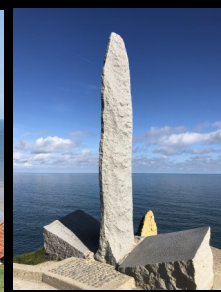
In total 70 students and 6 staff made the journey, and along with everything that we all learned, we all came back knowing some people, who we had not known well before, a whole lot better, which is always one of the great benefits of a residential trip.



Thank you to the staff team, completed by Mr Maynard Smith, Mme Turner, Mrs Coley, Mrs Depledge, Mrs Dale and our popular coach driver, Mark!

If you are in Year 8 and are interested in next year's visit please keep your eyes on the bulletin for information about how to apply soon.

Mr Godwin, Senior Deputy Headteacher.



WHITBY YOUTH THEATRE TOUR

We had a fantastic Youth Theatre tour at the end of the summer term. With a mix of Year 11's and Year 10's who had devised their own theatre in education performance pieces based on Kings and Queens. We visited four primary schools in Whitby who loved the performance and we were able to run workshops with small groups, encouraging the young students to create performance work and perform. Although it was a lot of hard work we were able to have some fun in the sun with a visit to the beach and Fish and Chips in Scarborough. I would like to thank all of the students for their hard work and look forward to Whitby youth tour 2024.



We hope to run this trip again at the end of the school year, 2024 and it will be open to Years 10, 11, 12 and 13. More details will be released later this term. Please feel free to email me if you have any queries rsmith@brookbvalegroby.com

Mrs Ruth Smith
- Drama and Performing Arts teacher.



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 campus 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; www.brookbvalegroby.com

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 which 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/carers 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/carers 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**

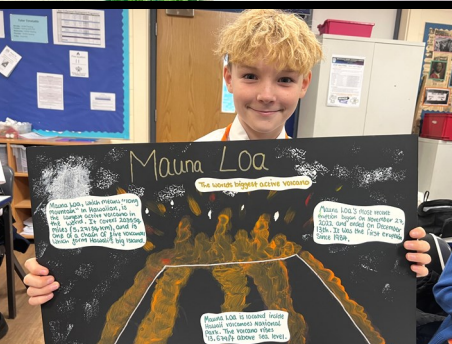
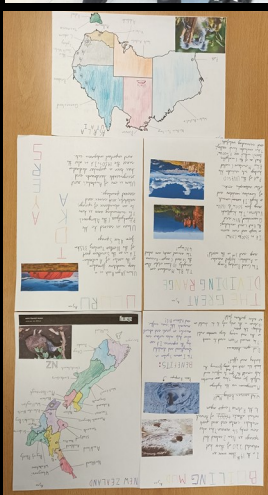
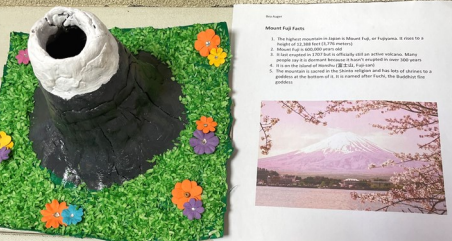
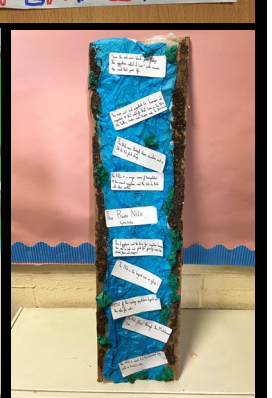
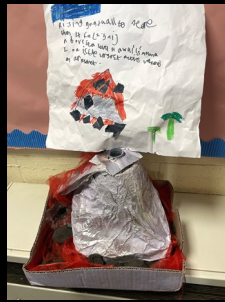
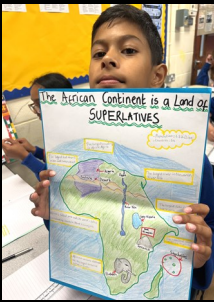
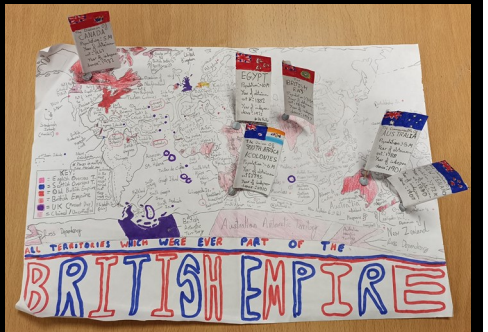
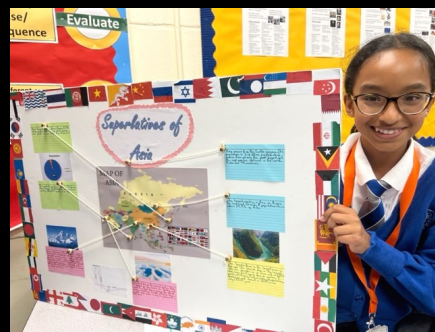
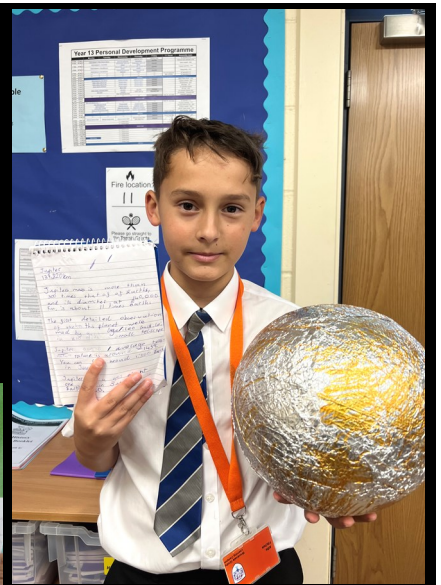
YEAR 7 GEOGRAPHY HOMEWORK

Year 7 are superlative! The biggest and the best!

Year 7 were set homework in geography about the biggest and the best things in the world. They were able to be creative in their homework and produce something that inspired them. It is incredible that these students, who are very new to the school, have shown such commitment and determination to their geography studies already.

The results are shown in the photographs.

Well done Year 7 Geography! #BGLC_Geography



MENTAL HEALTH FOCUS

We'll be celebrating World Mental Health day on:

10th October 2023

Students will spend part of each lesson focussing on their own mental health and learning more about support available.

The NHS website has some helpful links if you are concerned about your child's mental health: <https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/children-and-young-adults/advice-for-parents/worried-about-your-teenager/>

The British Red Cross have put together a Spotify playlist of happy songs, click the link to listen:

<https://www.redcross.org.uk/get-help/get-help-with-loneliness/wellbeing-support/wellbeing-music-playlist>

Mindfulness is a fantastic tool to relax and unwind in the evening, these colouring page are great for those of all ages (just ask our Post 16 students who use this technique in our common room!) <https://www.justcolor.net/>



| BGLC MENU | | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| BREAK TIME | | Pepperoni Panini or Cheese Panini Full £2.51 Half £1.25 Toast 29p | Sausage Roll £1.25 Cheese & Onion Pasty £1.25 Toast 29p | Ham Panini or Cheese Panini Full £2.51 Half £1.25 Toast 29p | Sausage Baguette or Cheese Baguette Full £2.51 Half £1.25 Toast 29p | Bacon Baguette or Cheese Baguette Full £2.51 Half £1.25 Toast 29p |
| | | LUNCHTIME (Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings, Pasta dishes served daily) All Hot Meals are £2.51 | PIZZA: - Meat Feast - Cheese - Pepper Gluten free and served with corn on the cob | FISH FINGER OR VEGGIE FINGER: Gluten free and both served in a bun and with salad | NUGGETS OR GOUJONS: - Chicken Nuggets - Chicken Goujons - Veggie Nuggets Gluten free all served with either chips or wedges, peas or sweetcorn | WRAP OR PITTA: - Savoury filled wrap - Savoury filled pitta - Veggie wrap - Veggie pitta Gluten free and served with salad |
| AVAILABLE DAILY | | Breakfast options available from 11am in the Groby, Post 16 Dining Room A good selection of Freshly Filled Sandwiches £2.05 A good selection of Freshly Filled Baguette and Wraps £2.51 Fruit 57p, Berry Pots £1.00. A good selection of homemade cakes and cookies 68p Drinks: Juice Burst 91p, Radnor Fizz 68p, Large Water 68p, Small Water 34p | | | | |
| Gluten Free options are available - please order each morning at Brookvale Kitchen. If there is any other Dietary Requirements - please get in touch with the Catering Manager; Mrs Hall E:jaimehall@brookvalegroby.com | | | | | | |

Still unsure of your A Level subjects? Trying to find the college that offers the subjects you want?

BGLC Post 16 offers a wide range of subjects including:

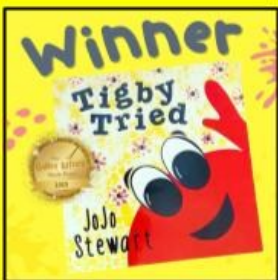
ART BIOLOGY BUSINESS STUDIES CHEMISTRY COMPUTING
CRIMINOLOGY 3D DESIGN ENGLISH LANGUAGE
ENGLISH LITERATURE FRENCH GERMAN GEOGRAPHY
GRAPHICS HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE HISTORY ICT
MATHS & FURTHER MATHS DIGITAL MEDIA MUSIC PE
PERFORMING ARTS PHOTOGRAPHY PHYSICS
PSYCHOLOGY SOCIOLOGY SPANISH

BGLC NEW EXTERNAL SIGNAGE

Below are our new fabulous external signs to promote our Campus Core Values.



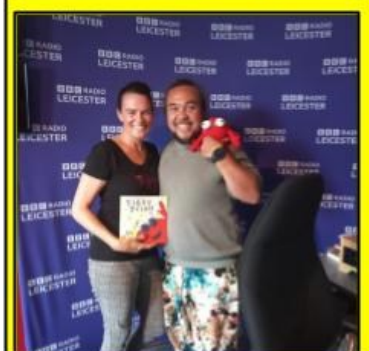
Summer of Fun!



When I began writing and illustrating Tigby's story during lockdown, never did I imagine it would take me on the journey it has. This summer started with a book launch in the beautiful county of Yorkshire, where Tigby and I met some amazing people and had the privilege of sharing our story with the local press. We were invited onto BBC Radio Leicester by the amazing Andy Pierce. His *'Mental Health Matters'* show gave us the opportunity to share our story and messages associated with the book. Never did we imagine that the mental health messages behind the book would lead us to being nominated and winning *'The Golden Wizard Book Prize'*. We absolutely loved touring Leicestershire, visiting local libraries and taking part in a range of charity events. The children really enjoyed meeting Tigby and participating in his interactive storytelling and well-being art sessions.

What's next? Since appearing on the radio, I am honoured to have been asked by *'The Pierce Perspective'* to be part of their team. Their aim is to educate people about *'Navigating Life through Mindfulness, Sustainability and Good News'*, something I am very passionate about. Book number two is also underway, something a little different this time, but Tigby and I are very excited about this new chapter of our exciting journey.

Why not join our adventures at: www.facebook.com/tigbyontour

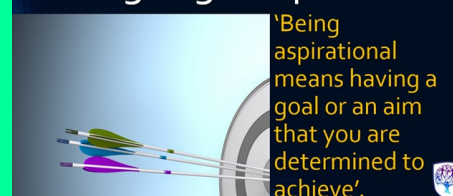


humanutopia

empowering young people to make positive change

On Tuesday 19th September we were delighted to welcome Humanutopia to work with our Year 11 students. Three really powerful sessions were delivered to the year group across the school day, with the focus placed on rationalising fears and worries, adopting a growth mindset, employability skills and committing to goals that really matter. Our students' represented our school values perfectly throughout the day, and generated lots of positive momentum to take into their Year 11 journey.

Driving High Aspirations



National Hate Crime Awareness Week 2023

Poster Competition

- Theme:** "#WeStandTogether #NoPlaceForHate #SafePlaceForAll"
- Fee:** Free
- Entries:** Voluntary for students to participate and schools are free to decide how this will be run locally (as part of curriculum or for students to do in their free time).
- Design:** All entries should be submitted on A4 paper only
The only requirement for entry is that the poster will focus on the theme **"#WeStandTogether #NoPlaceForHate #SafePlaceForAll"** students are free to consider any design, wording and formatting. **Please include your name (first name and initial of surname only), age and school in the bottom left-hand corner.**
- Limitations in Design:** Please do not include your own logos in your design. Please do not include any key information within the outer 10mm (1cm) area of your design.
- Copyright:** Please do not use any copyrighted or trademarked images within your poster. If you choose to photograph anyone to include in your design, please ensure they provide their consent for the images to be used on any reprinted material (or if under 18 that consent from their parents is provided) – please do not include names on your posters.
- Judging Process:**
- All entries are to be submitted to a designated person within the school;
 - All entries submitted by the closing date to be judged by the school and the **top five (5)** identified; (all entries will be collected by a member of the local policing team)
 - The Neighbourhood Policing Area (NPA) team will judge the top 5 entries from all participating schools in their area and put forward their **top five (5)** for consideration in the final judging stage.
 - The top five designs from all Neighbourhood Policing Areas (NPAs) will be judged by a panel consisting of members of the Local Policing Directorate (LPD).

NATIONAL HATE CRIME AWARENESS WEEK 2023 - POSTER COMPETITION

The competition closing date will be **Monday 30th October 2023**, with winners announced by close of play on **Friday 3rd November 2023**.

Winning Entries: From all entries submitted to the final judging stage **five (5)** winners will be announced.

The winning posters will be reproduced and distributed as part of the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland HCAW campaign.

The National Hate Crime Awareness Week logo and reporting information will be added to the winning posters so please do not add your own logos.

Anything included within the initial 10mm (1cm) of the design will not be included in the reproduced poster so do not include any key information within this area of your design.

Deadline The competition closing date will be **Monday 30th October 2023** with winners announced by close of play on **Friday 3rd November 2023**.

Prize The top five winning entries will each receive a prize of £20.00.

ALL ENTRIES SHOULD BE RETAINED BY THE SCHOOL AND RETURNED TO THE NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING AREA TEAM.
These will be collected by the Leicestershire Police Hate Crime Officer and included in a booklet even if not one of the winning entries.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MR TEECE: NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION (NPQ) FOR EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP.



Congratulations to our Headteacher;
Mr Teece on passing his National
Professional Qualification (NPQ)
for Executive Leadership.

#TeamBGLC

CONGRATULATIONS TO MRS EMMA BRAYNE: NPQ FOR SENIOR LEADERSHIP AWARD.

Congratulations to Mrs Emma Brayne; Subject Leader for Food,
on passing the National Professional Qualification (NPQ)
for her Senior Leadership Award.

#TeamBGLC



Entries can be brought to B17 during registration once you get your mark if needed.
Please label all entries with your name and form. Entries can be collected at the end
of the day from B17 to take home.



*As part of European Languages week at BGLC we invite you to enter our European Bake Off.
Simply bring your European themed decorated cakes or biscuits to B17 at break time on
Friday 29th September and a winner will be chosen from KS3, KS4, KS5 and staff.
Winners will win the coveted BGLC Star baker wooden spoon and all entries will win
community achievement points. So what you waiting for? Get baking!!*

KS3 PROGRESS LEADER



A warm welcome back to Year 8 and 9. I hope you are ready for another packed term.

A big welcome to Year 7, and I hope you have settled in, remember your wonderful tutors, teachers and HOY are there to support. A quick introduction from me. My name is Ms Gajjar and I am progress leader for KS3. Students will see me lead an assembly once a half term and I will oversee progress in KS3.

My responsibility is to oversee progress, support all students to have better awareness of study skills and revision strategies.

For Year 9 I will support students who need a boost in progress.

I will also oversee HPA (Higher Prior Achievers) for KS3

How year 8 & 9 will be supported over the next term:

Assemblies will focus how to engage more in lesson and not fearing failure. We will also look at aspirations and the use of UNI frog to explore careers and courses as well as how to upskill.

There will be a progress group, who will meet me weekly to complete the Pixl Level best mentoring program. They will be mentored by myself and Year 12 students. We will look at barriers to learning and how to better organise themselves.

We will also be welcoming back Leicester University to run study skills and introduction to Higher Education sessions.

HPA Year 9 will be focussing on problem solving skills and will compete in the BEBRAS competition in November. Watch this space, we have done very well in the last 2 years.

If you have any questions my email address is dgajjar@brookvalegroby.com

KS4 PROGRESS LEADER



We are delighted to welcome Years 10 and 11 back on campus for what is going to be a hugely important year with us on campus.

My name is Mr Brownnett and I am Key Stage 4 Progress Leader. I am really looking forward to working with both Year 10 and 11 throughout this academic year, helping students to maximise their potential. Alongside the other members of the team, I will oversee progress and support all students with their development of revision strategies, study skills and resilience/motivation levels. I will also oversee HPA (Higher Prior Achievers) for KS4.

We have already got lots of exciting plans to support both year groups over the next 12 months. Here are some important dates for your diary:

- Humanutopia Day - Tuesday 19th September 2023 - Whole Y11 cohort intervention focusing on qualities needed for success
- Post 16 Open Evening - Thursday 12th October 2023 - An opportunity to explore the options on offer at BGLC.
- Exam Success Evening - Thursday 8th February 2024 - Parents and students invited to outline how to have exam success across the range of subjects.

For further information please do not hesitate to contact me: jbrownnett@brookvalegroby.com

KS5 PROGRESS LEADER



First of all, a warm welcome to our new and returning students into our BGLC Post 16. I hope you get settled into your new environment quickly and you jump into good routines.

A short introduction from myself. My name is Stephen Taylor-Fox and I am the newly appointed Progress Leader for KS5 students. I will be working alongside the Post 16 team, tutors and teachers and will be on hand to support you with your emerging learning needs during your time in our Sixth Form, whether that be short or long term. This may include support with revision techniques, becoming better organised with independent study skills or simply working with you to boost your progress in a particular area.

I will also be responsible for working closely with HPA students (students who achieved highly in their GCSEs) and those considering career paths that require Early Entry to universities. I will be sending information out that will help you understand what is needed from you in order to be successful in this process.

There will be lots of information and dates for your diary and we will keep you informed across the year; here are just a few for you to be aware of:

- Thursday 21st September 2023 - Year 12 Tutor Evening - A chance for tutors and parents to meet and introduce themselves, discuss the Post 16 journey and share important information
- Thursday 1st February 2024 - Year 13 Progress Evening
- Thursday 11th April 2024 - Year 12 Progress Evening

For further information please do not hesitate to contact me: sfox@brookvalegroby.com

Extra-Curricular for **Performing Arts**

Autumn Term 2023

Lunchtimes: 1.30pm - 2pm



| Activity | Where | When | Who for | Staff |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------------|
| Junior Drama Club | Groby Theatre | Monday | KS3 | Miss Smith |
| Senior Drama Club | Groby Theatre | Tuesday | KS4/5 | Miss Smith |
| Dance Club | Groby Theatre | Friday | KS3 | Miss Smith/Miss Jackson |
| Ukulele Club | Groby Music Room | Wednesday | All | Mrs Smith |
| Music Ensemble | Groby Music Room | Thursday | All | Mrs Smith |
| Bandlab Club | Brookvale Music Room | Friday | Year 8/9 | Mrs Evans |

After School- 3.30-4.30

| Activity | Where | When | Who for | Staff |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------|
| School Show- Beauty and The Beast | Groby Theatre | Wednesday | All | Mr Goodger |
| Vocalize (Singing Group) | Groby Theatre | Thursday | All | Mrs Woodall |

All Performing Arts news will be in our Performing Arts Google Classroom - The code to join is **pkpjb5m**

PERFORMANCE FOR THE DIARY:

20th December 2023: Campus Christmas Concert 7pm

BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS

Work Hard, Be Kind

Mr Will Teece, Headteacher, Brookvale Groby Learning Campus



CAMPUS OPEN EVENING

Thursday 28th September 2023

5pm - 8pm



For entry into Year 7 from August 2024

WHY CHOOSE THE BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS?

"Good effective transition from primary school to Year 7."

"Teachers are passionate about their subjects and try to get the best out of the students."

We are always striving for excellence, promoting and sharing outstanding practice throughout the campus.



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YEAR 11 CAREERS EVENING

Brookvale Groby Learning

Campus

Thursday, 5th of October 2023, 6 PM till 7:30 PM

ALL YEAR 11 STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS/CARERS ARE INVITED TO OUR CAREERS EVENING TO SEEK INFORMATION, ADVICE AND GUIDANCE ON CAREER CHOICES AND EDUCATION PATHWAYS FOR 2023 AND BEYOND. FIND OUT ABOUT A LEVELS, T LEVELS, VOCATIONAL STUDIES, APPRENTICESHIPS AND UNIVERSITY.

Come Join:

- Brookvale Groby Post-16
- SMB Group (Stephenson, Melton, Brooksby Campuses)
- North Warwickshire and South Leicestershire College (NWSLC)
- De Montfort University
- Leicester College
- Loughborough College
- Leicestershire Police
- Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust
- Leicester Fire & Rescue
- Ask Apprenticeships
- Juniper Training
- and more

Presentations:

Careers Adviser: Parents/Carers presentation on:

1. What are the options?
2. Key dates for applications and open days
3. Details of support from us
4. Applying through the Leicestershire Portal
5. PS16 for Post-16 courses

ASK: Parents/Carers and student presentation on:

Everything you want to know about apprenticeships!



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POST 16 OPEN EVENING

Thursday 12th October 2023

5pm - 8pm



"Post 16 students are highly motivated, mature and set an excellent role model for younger students."
"The school is supportive and encouraging, with good teaching, high standards and attainment levels."
Parent quotes

For entry into Year 12 from September 2024

Our dedicated Post 16 team ensures that students make the best progress academically and become well-rounded citizens of the future.

Find out more about Post16@BGLC, courses on offer and how to apply:
<https://brookvalegroby.com/post-16-prospectus-course-guide/>



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POST 16 OPEN EVENING

Thursday 12th October 2023

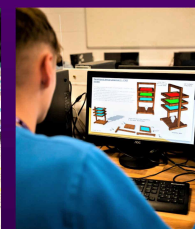
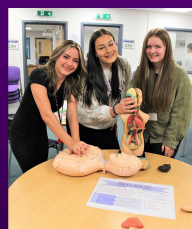
5pm - 8pm



Still unsure of your A Level subjects? Trying to find the college that offers the subjects you want?

BGLC Post 16 offers a wide range of subjects including:

ART **BIOLOGY** **BUSINESS STUDIES** **CHEMISTRY** **COMPUTING**
CRIMINOLOGY **3D DESIGN** **ENGLISH LANGUAGE**
ENGLISH LITERATURE **FRENCH** **GERMAN** **GEOGRAPHY**
GRAPHICS **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE** **HISTORY** **ICT**
MATHS & FURTHER MATHS **DIGITAL MEDIA** **MUSIC** **PE**
PERFORMING ARTS **PHOTOGRAPHY** **PHYSICS**
PSYCHOLOGY **SOCIOLOGY** **SPANISH**



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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](https://www.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!

Last year 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 [myschoolfund.org](https://www.myschoolfund.org) to register for free and link to **Brookvale Groby Learning Campus**. From there, everything you spend in participating stores will go towards helping boost our budget, plus your own!

Sign up today at [myschoolfund.org](https://www.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 [myschoolfund.org](https://www.myschoolfund.org)

SCAN FOR INFO



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



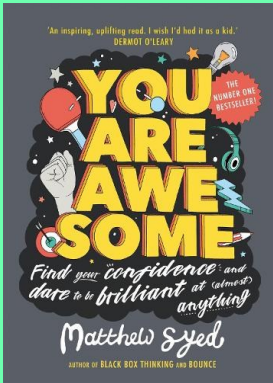
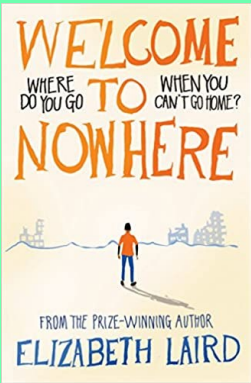
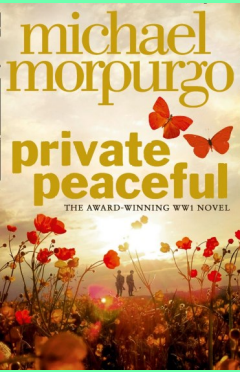
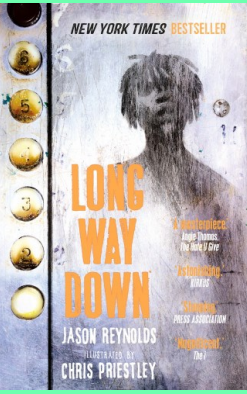
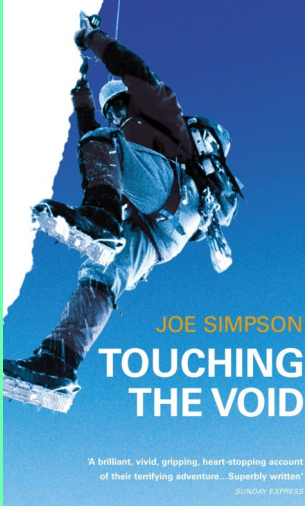
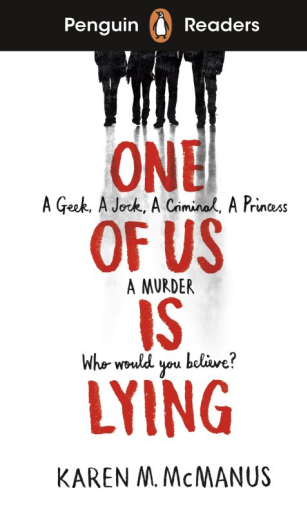
Here is also the promotional YouTube video for Parents to peruse:
<https://youtu.be/I2KXOTxPAWc>

TUTOR TIME READING PROGRAMME

Tutor groups have all now started reading their first books of the academic year. Each day, tutors will read to their tutor groups a carefully-selected book title for 10 minutes. The Tutor Time Reading Programme has various benefits for both students and tutors, such as:

- Exposure to a diverse set of texts, both fiction and non-fiction
- Increased exposure to vocabulary
- An opportunity to explore social, cultural, political and geographical issues
- A shared experience with both the form class and Year group

Here are the books we are currently reading:

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| <p>Year 7: This book encourages students to develop a can-do attitude and a growth mindset so that they can do their very best inside and outside school. It's full of science and stories and is a really positive way to start the year.</p> | <p>Year 8: Laird's story is based on her experiences working in refugee camps just outside Syria. The story is about a family having to escape the Syrian war, leaving almost all their belongings behind.</p> | <p>Year 9: This WW1 novel follows the fortunes of two young brothers who sign up to fight. The experience will test their love and friendship, and the end will have you in tears.</p> | <p>Year 10: How would you respond if your brother was killed in a gangland shooting? The main character in this novel is taking an elevator ride to the ground floor with a gun in his back pocket. What will he decide to do?</p> |
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| <p>Year 11: Joe Simpson and his climbing partner Simon Yates were descending a mountain when Joe was involved in a terrible accident.</p> | <p>Year 12: This is a fantasy novel about the choices we make everyday. Whilst the initial premise might seem gloomy, it is an uplifting book.</p> <p>Nora, the main character, is fed up with life, but over the course of the novel, her outlook changes.</p> | <p>Year 13: Five students head into detention but only four survive. See if you can guess the culprit before the big reveal in the final pages.</p> | |

Core Values

Community, Aspiration, Resilience, Excellence



READING PARTNERS WANTED! DO YOU HAVE ANY SPARE TIME EACH WEEK TO VOLUNTEER AS A READING PARTNER?

We are looking for members of our community - parents or grandparents, for example - to become reading partners for some of our students.

You would need to

- Be a confident reader
- Have a commitment to support students for at least six weeks and preferably longer
- Show patience and enthusiasm when reading with teenagers!

What we can offer:

- Training in supporting students who are developing their reading skills
- An introduction to our library facilities
- Refreshments each week
- A DBS check

If you are interested, please contact Mr Chris Bugh on 0116 287 9921 extension 272.

Or email cbugh@brookvalegroby.com **It will be great to hear from you!** Thank you in advance.

A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO LAST YEARS READING PARTNERS!



PE Extra-Curricular

Our extra-curricular sport programme has already started and we have enjoyed seeing our students being involved in sporting activity outside the curriculum. All students are welcome to attend their age group sessions - we do not run trials, we run clubs that are open to everyone. We will enter teams into local and national tournaments and will select these teams from students who have been attending the clubs. We will change the activities after October half-term, but if there is something that we don't currently offer that you are interested in, please get in touch with the PE Department.

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR SPORT 2023-24



BROOKVALE GROBY
PHYSICAL EDUCATION

| TIME | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|---|---|--|--|
| LUNCH TIME 1:35-2:05pm | POST 16 GYM JLE | HOUSE COMPETITIONS MLO | BASKETBALL Sports Hall MLO POST 16 GYM JLE | GCSE PE/CNAT BADMINTON Sports Hall POST 16 GYM (GIRLS ONLY) | POST 16 SPORT DROP IN Sports Hall JLE |
| AFTER SCHOOL 3:15-4:15pm | STAFF MEETINGS |  | KS3 GIRLS NETBALL Netball Courts AMC/MRI/LWL KS3 BOYS FOOTBALL Field JBN/JLE/MLO | KS4/5 NETBALL Netball Courts AMC/MRI/LWL | STAFF SPORT |
| | | | |  | |

These activities will run until October half-term after which they will change.
School fixtures will be played on Tuesday's, Wednesday's and Thursday's.
Check the student bulletin for one-off sessions each week.



BGLC Year 8/9 GIRLS FOOTBALL NEWS



The Year 8/9 girls football welcomed St John Houghton Catholic School from Amber Valley, and ran out convincing winners. Elouise Smith-Hawker, Isla Rose-Hurst, Ellie Bray, Libbi Goddard and Lyla Jennings shared the goals. They now travel to Ormiston Ilkeston Enterprise Academy in Amber Valley in Round 2.



BGLC Year 8 BOYS FOOTBALL NEWS



The Year 8 boys football team visited South Nottinghamshire in the first round of the ESFA National Cup competition.

They came away with a 8-3 victory taking them into the next round and a home fixture against Rushcliffe School, again from South Notts. Vinny Newby scored six of the eight goals, which is a fantastic individual achievement, with Jamie Hunt scoring the other two.

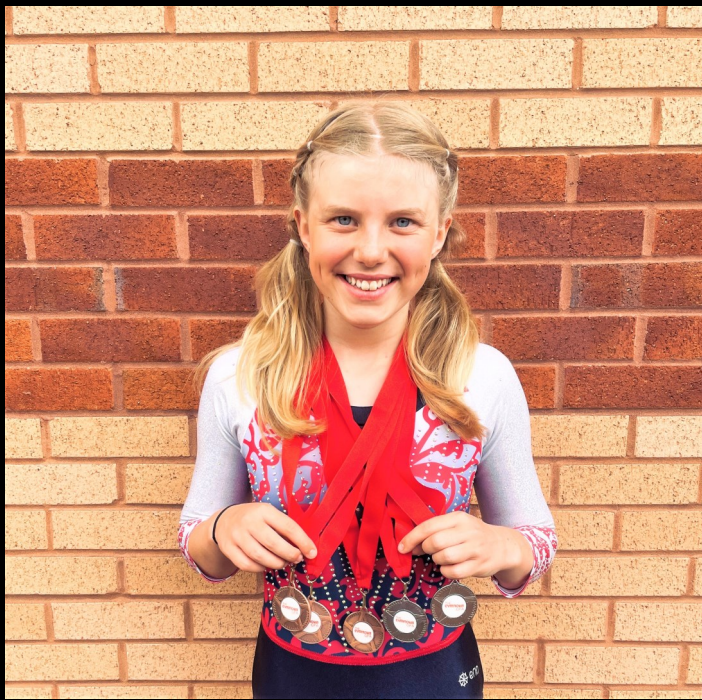


YEAR 8 SUMMER SHEPHARD GYMNASTICS SUCCESS!

On Sunday 10th September Year 8 student **Summer Shephard** competed in the Gymnova 2023 GFA Championships. She placed in the following:
2nd floor, 3rd beam, 3rd bars, 2nd vault and 3rd overall.

Her parents are super proud, as are BGLC, as the competition was tough.

WELL DONE Summer
– you did amazingly well! #BGLC_PE



LEICESTERSHIRE ROAD RUNNING LEAGUE SUCCESS!

Leicestershire Road Running League results have been published and two of our P16 students have had success.

- **U20 Mens - Joe Matthews 1st**
(pictured below)
- **U20 Ladies - ex-student Rachel Nealon 2nd**
- **U20 Ladies - Cassie Dodge 3rd**

WELL DONE!
#BGLC_PE



YEAR 11 JOEL YATES SOLENT SWIM

Huge CONGRATULATIONS to Year 11 student **Joel Yates** who completed his Solent swim from Portsmouth to the Isle of Wight. Joel swam with 8 teammates from his club, the Leicester Neptunes. In preparation, as well as his usual, 3 times a week swimming training, he has been doing a weekly open water session for the last few months to get accustomed to the colder water.

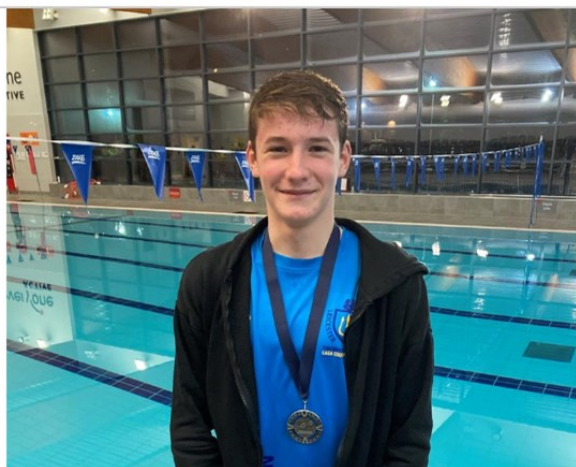
On the day, it was rainy and windier than forecast but all the swimmers managed the 2.5-3-mile crossing accompanied by their own kayaker and safety boats.

Joel says the swim was amazing but very tiring. At times, he felt like he wasn't going anywhere because of the choppy waves and it was hard for him to see where he was going. He had to swim through seaweed and avoid the odd jellyfish!



So far, he has raised over **£900** for Aspire. **WELL DONE Joel!**
His Just Giving page is still open for donations - CLICK [HERE](#)

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ANDERSONBRIGGS ESTATE AGENTS SPONSORS BGLC YEAR 10 BOYS FOOTBALL KIT

Ex students; Conor Anderson and Jed Briggs, of **ANDERSONBRIGGS Estate Agents**, based in Groby, have kindly sponsored our Year 10 boys football kit. On Thursday 21st September, Conor & Jed visited BGLC to wish the boys good luck for their first match of the season.

THANK YOU @AndersonBriggs and we hope we WIN in this new kit! **#BGLC_PE**



**ANDERSON
BRIGGS**
Estate Agents based in Groby

AUTUMN TERM KEY DIARY DATES - ALL YEARS

| | |
|--|---|
| Tuesday 29 & Wednesday 30 August • | Teacher Training Days |
| Thursday 31 August • | Year 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 & 13 students return to campus |
| Monday 4 September • | Year 12 students return to campus |
| Tuesday 5 September • | Years 7, 10 & 12 student photos |
| Thursday 7 September • | Year 10 GCSE Readiness Evening 6pm - 7pm |
| Monday 11 - Friday 15 September • | Year 9 Normandy Residential Trip |
| Thursday 14 September • | Class of 2023 Annual Awards Evening 7pm - 8.30pm |
| Thursday 21 September • | Year 7 & Year 12 Parent/Tutor Induction Evening |
| Thursday 28 September • | Year 6 Campus Open Evening 5pm - 8pm |
| Week commencing 2 October • | Year 13 reports issued |
| Thursday 5 October • | Year 11 Careers Evening 6pm |
| Thursday 12 October • | Post 16 Open Evening 5pm - 8pm |
| Friday 13 October • | Campus closes at 3.10pm |
| MONDAY 16 - FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER • | MID TERM BREAK |
| Monday 23 October • | CAMPUS OPEN |
| Week commencing 6 November • | Year 11 reports issued |
| Week commencing 20 November • | Years 10 & 12 reports issued |
| Week commencing 4 December • | Years 7, 8 & 9 reports issued |
| Thursday 14 December • | Year 9 Progress Evening |
| Friday 22 December • | Campus closes at 1.00pm |
| MONDAY 25 DECEMBER - FRIDAY 5 JANUARY • | CHRISTMAS BREAK |

ACADEMIC YEAR 2023 - 2024 KEY DATES:



AUTUMN TERM (76 school days)

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|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| August Bank Holiday | Monday 28 August 2023 |
| Open | Thursday 31 August 2023 |
| Mid-Term Break | Monday 16 to Friday 20 October 2023 |
| Training Day | Friday 8 December 2023 |
| Close | Friday 22 December 2023 |

SPRING TERM (50 school days)

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| Open | Monday 8 January 2024 |
| Mid-Term Break | Monday 19 to Friday 23 February 2024 |
| Close | Friday 22 March 2024 |

SUMMER TERM (64 school days)

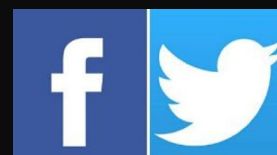
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| Open | Monday 8 April 2024 |
| May Day | Monday 6 May 2024 |
| Mid-Term Break | Monday 27 to Friday 31 May 2024 |
| Close | Thursday 12 July 2024 |

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| <u>TRAINING DAYS</u> | Flexible days when staff are required to be in Campus but students are not: |
| | - Tuesday 29 Wednesday 30 August 2023 |
| | - Friday 8 December 2023 |

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!





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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.

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With a helpful team of staff who are on-hand to assist you.

Get in touch to check availability or to arrange a viewing.

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