



Valuing Everyone, Achieving Excellence

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We hope you and your families have had an enjoyable summer break and we are really looking forward to welcoming our new year 12 students, who start on Monday 2nd September. After such a long break it is easy to forget the routines and expectations of school and I hope that in sharing the information below we can make the transition back to school as smooth and successful as possible for your children.

Year 12 Welcome Assembly

Year 12 students will have a welcome assembly that starts promptly at 8.45am in the Brookvale Dining Room. Students are expected to be onsite by 8.40am allowing them time to travel to their tutor room/ assembly venue. Any students arriving on site after 8.40am will be deemed late and marked accordingly in registers.

Dress code & Equipment

Please ensure that your child has the correct equipment and clothing that adheres to the dress code for the start of term, all Tutors will be checking this during form times.

Our dress code can be found here.

Student timetables

Students will receive their timetable during tutor time, which will follow their assembly. Lanyards will also be distributed.

Student Photographs

We have arranged school photographs on Wednesday 4th September to take individual school photographs of our Year 12 students. These photographs will be used for their ID cards, bus passes and on our Administration systems. They will also be available to purchase.

Campus Transport

Bus passes for the new academic year will be issued once photographs have been taken. If you have received an email confirming your child's place, they can use their assigned service immediately.

Dropping off and collecting your child by car

Safeguarding of students is our number one priority. That is why we ensure staff are on duty, especially by the gates in the morning and after school every day. Typically myself and the pastoral team will be there every day should parents need to talk to us about any concerns.

The school car park is **not** accessible to parents/guardians at the start or end of the day for pick-up. Please make alternate arrangements, whilst being courteous to our neighbours who live very close by. Please do not park on Ratby Road.

Contacting the school for support

The Post 16 team can be contacted for any day-to-day queries by email post16@brookvalegroby.com or phone 01162879921. Tutors can also be contacted, and direct email addresses can be found on the **school website > Contact > Staff Contact Details. See direct link here > How to Contact Staff | Brookvale Groby**

Please note that our Tutors are also classroom teachers and, therefore, are not always able to respond to telephone calls or emails immediately, however, they will endeavour to respond within 24 hours on any given school day.

Post 16 Results 2024

We were delighted to welcome both our Post 16 and GCSE students back to school on results day and celebrate their success. You will have perhaps seen much in the news about harsher grading, fewer top grades and a return to 2019 grade distributions but less about how these students lost significant time and how national attendance averages were close to 6% lower. It has long been established that attendance impacts outcomes, so we really are not back to normal yet.

Our A-Level results were also positive and students have progressed to a variety of amazing destinations and we are exceptionally proud of them too.

Year 13 (Colour coding based on comparison with 2023)	Brookvale Groby Results 2024	Difference to East Midlands
% A*-A (Dist*)	22.6%	0.1%
% A*-B (Dist*)	49.4%	1.9%
% A*-C (Dist* - Dist)	72.6%	0.8%
% A*-E (Dist* - Pass)	97.4%	0.8%
Average best 3 A levels	C+	

<u>Attendance</u> at Post 16 has a significant impact on outcomes.

Attendance	Average Grade
>= 95%	В-
> 90%	C+
<=80%	C-

As a school we will continue to work hard to ensure our students receive the best education possible, but as has always been the case the stronger the partnership is between home and school the better chance of success there is for your children. Working together we can achieve great things, it has to start with strong attendance. The Post 16 policy for attendance can be found here.

Campus Culture

Over the past three years we have invested a significant amount of time and energy developing a consistent and understood <u>BGLC Campus Culture</u>, to ensure that our community is calm, safe, orderly and conducive to learning and strong progress. We have outlined our routines and expectations in the document below for the benefit of our whole community and this will form the basis of our learning camp days too.

Wellbeing

Our website contains lots of information about how you can support your child's mental health and wellbeing, a link can be found here. We are proud to have won the Hinckley and Bosworth Active Award for the best school in our community at supporting students' wellbeing, and we encourage students and their parents to share any concerns for mental health so that we can offer intervention. We have the support of our dedicated meditation and mindfulness life coach, Sandy, twice per week, and weekly drop ins from Teen Health. If you would like any more information please contact our Senior Mental Health Lead, Mrs Varney www.warney@brookvalegroby.com

Gemma Smith is our Post 16 Student Support Officer and supports our students with pastoral and academic issues. Please email Gemma on ssues. Please email Gemma on gsmith@brookvalegroby.com if you have any concerns for your child.

We really look forward to working with your children in the coming term and building even stronger relationships with our parents and carers. Together we can make a significant difference to the success of your child's learning journey. We were delighted with this year's GCSE and A- level results that have seen improvements on 2023 and placing the school well above the national average

Yours sincerely,

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Assistant Headteacher/P16 Lead

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Head of Post 16