



# BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS

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## Weekly Parent Bulletin

Friday 22nd November 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Good afternoon and welcome to this week's Parent Bulletin.

For your information, below are some of the great celebrations and events that have taken place on campus this week as well as important information regarding students and future events.

### CELEBRATIONS & EVENTS THIS WEEK:

# Road Safety Week

17-23 Nov 2024

## Brookvale Groby Learning Campus Happy International Men's Day! 19th November 2024

international MEN'S DAY UK 2024

IMD website

Men and Masculinity

Men's Mental Health

Domestic Violence against Men

SCAN ME

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FIND OUT MORE AND JOIN IN

www.ukmensday.org.uk  
e: contact@ukmensday.org.uk

@ukmensday  
InternationalMensDayUK  
#internationalmensday

# World Hello Day

21 November 2024

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Celebration Partner  
campus.org.uk

Road Safety Week

International Men's Day 19.11.24

World Hello Day 21.11.24

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### CAMPUS NEWSLETTER

#### MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we near the end of a successful term, we're thrilled to share some wonderful updates and reflections on the achievements and events that have brought our school community together. From facility enhancements to inspiring acts of kindness, there's much to celebrate!

**New Building Completed**

We're delighted to announce the completion of our new building, which includes four spacious classrooms and 20 much-needed tables. This expansion provides our students with an improved learning environment, addressing key needs as we continue to enhance our facilities. We are also hoping that these additional facilities will enhance our offerings and generate much needed revenue.

**Exploring New Opportunities with TMEF**

After careful consideration, our Trustees have decided to explore joining The Mead Educational Trust (TMEF). This is an exciting opportunity for our school to connect with a wider community of schools, sharing resources and best practices to benefit our students. We will keep you informed as we move forward in this process. So far there have been a number of meetings held as part of the due diligence process and in time a consultation process will be undertaken.

**Children in Need Fundraiser Success**

Our recent Children in Need fundraiser was a resounding success, with the school community raising nearly £1,200! Thank you to everyone who contributed so generously. This achievement showcases the compassion and commitment of our students, families, and staff, all coming together to support a wonderful cause.

**Remembrance Service**

This term, we held a poignant Remembrance Service, welcoming members of our local community for the first time. It was a moving occasion, honouring those who have served, and it was heartening to see our uniformed students' respect and thoughtfulness throughout the ceremony.

**OFSTED Inspection**

We are delighted that our recent OFSTED inspection was highly positive. The final report has now been shared and published and it reads extremely well. The inspectors praised the dedication of our staff, the brilliant attitudes of our students, and the supportive partnership between school and home. Thank you for your ongoing trust and collaboration, which plays such a significant role in our success. OFSTED continues to be a popular choice within the community and is once again over-subscribed.

**Looking Ahead to the Final Term and the Holidays**

As we approach the final term, we're excited about the activities and learning ahead, and, of course, the upcoming Christmas holidays! Our team is already busy planning for end-of-year celebrations that will be both fun and meaningful for our students.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership and the BGLC team wish all of our families a brilliant Christmas when it arrives.

Yours sincerely,  
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### AUTUMN/SPRING KEY DIARY DATES - ALL YEARS

Monday 28 October	CAMPUS OPEN
Wednesday 30 October	Year 11 Exam Success Evening 5pm - 6:30pm
Monday 4 November	Year 11 THE BIG REVISE session 1 of 3, 3.15pm - 5.05pm
Week commencing 11 November	Year 11 reports issued
Week commencing 29 November	Years 10 & 12 reports issued
Thursday 28 November	Year 7, 11 & 12 vocations
Wednesday 4 December	Campus Christmas Concert
Friday 6 December	TRAINING DAY - Campus is closed to STUDENTS
Week commencing 9 December	Year 5, 8 & 9 reports issued
Monday 9 - Friday 13 December	Christmas Dinner Week
Wednesday 11 & Thursday 12 December	Year Practice Interviews 9am - 1pm
Thursday 12 December	Year 11 Progress Evening 3.45pm - 7.15pm
Friday 20 December	Campus closes at 1.00pm
MONDAY 23 DECEMBER - FRIDAY 3 JANUARY	CHRISTMAS BREAK
Monday 6 January	CAMPUS OPEN start of the Spring Term - ALL students to attend
Thursday 9 January	Year 9 Parents Options Evening 5pm - 7pm
Tuesday 16 January	Year 11 Mock Results / Exam Success Evening 6.30pm - 8pm
Thursday 26 January	Year 11 Progress Evening 3.45pm - 7.15pm
Monday 20 January	TRAINING DAY - Campus is closed to STUDENTS
Thursday 30 January	Year 11 Progress Evening 3.45pm - 7.15pm
Monday 3 - Friday 14 February	Year 11 Spoken Language Assessments (SLA)
Wednesday 12 - Wednesday 19 February	Year 11 THE BIG REVISE session 2 of 3, 3.15pm - 5.05pm
Friday 14 February	SLA USA Residential Trip Campus closes at 3.30pm
MONDAY 17 - FRIDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2025	NO FETTER BREAK
MONDAY 14 - FRIDAY 25 APRIL 2025	EASTER TWO WEEK BREAK

### LAST DAY OF TERM: Friday 20th December 2024

As usual on the last day of term, students will finish at 1.00pm, when our school buses will take students home as normal. Lunches will not be served on this day.

We expect ALL students to attend school on the final day.

### WINTER CLOSURE PROCEDURE

In the event of heavy snow that may cause closure of the campus, information and updates will only be published on our website:

www.brookvalegroby.com

### POST 16 NEWS CONTINUED...

#### YEAR 13 UCAS DEADLINES

By now the majority of our Year 13 students will be nearing completion of their Personal Statements and will be starting to focus on completing their online UCAS applications ready to be sent. We would like the majority of our students to have sent their applications before Christmas and remind them of our deadline which is Friday 13th December 2024. We understand that not all students will be ready by our deadline date but hope to have as many sent off as possible. The official UCAS deadline is 31st January 2025, we would need students to have completed and sent to us at the school no later than 24th January 2025 to ensure we have time to check and add grades and references.

If you are not applying to University and would like a careers interview/careers advice then please email [post16@brookvalegroby.com](mailto:post16@brookvalegroby.com) and we will be able to assist you.

If you need any help with your applications then please speak to your tutor or a member of the Post 16 Team.

### ATTENDANCE

Attendance is an extremely important part of a Level study and studies have shown the importance of excellent attendance and overall outcomes.

When the outcomes from students of equal 'ability' are compared - those with attendance of over 95% perform greater than one grade higher per subject at A Level than those with attendance below 85%.

One week's holiday/absence/illness per year during term time = a 3% fall in attendance.

We want to keep students and parents up to date with their attendance percentages and will continue to send out letters each term. Should your attendance decline, the Post 16 Team will meet with you to discuss ways in which we can support you to increase your attendance to school to ensure you achieve the grades you desire.

Our attendance policy can be found on our website Attendance Policy or in the student handbook. Should you have any questions then please do not hesitate to contact us [post16@brookvalegroby.com](mailto:post16@brookvalegroby.com)

### UPCOMING POST 16 EVENTS

**13 DEC 2024**

POST 16 MOVIE

Quality Drinks Included  
Personal requests accepted

**2nd December**

Lunch  
Common room  
£1 per person

**Linkee Competition**

More than 40 prizes  
Sign up on the notice board in the common room  
All funds raised go towards improving the Post 16 facilities



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### All Years

- **November Campus Newsletter** [please click here for this 50 page bumper edition](#) full of student successes, celebrations, events and useful information for your perusal and enjoyment.
- **Staff Training day** - A polite reminder that **Friday 6th December campus will be closed** for Teacher Training. Please see [24/25 and 25/26 term dates](#) on our school website.
- **Lost Property** - Please [click here](#) for this week's new items.
- **Years 7 - 11 Flu Vaccinations** - The NHS immunisations team will be visiting campus on Thursday 28th November to see Students in Years 7-11 for their Flu Vaccine. A [letter](#) has been shared with a link to the consent form. Please email [bmorrison@brookvalegroby.com](mailto:bmorrison@brookvalegroby.com) if you have any queries. **The consent form closes on Wednesday 27th November- We will not be able to take consent over the phone after this time.**
- **ADT Christmas Card Competition-** Please [click here](#) for a poster about a Christmas Card Competition. Please note the deadline to submit is Thursday 28th November.
- **★ Are you interested in working in a school?** See below for details of fully funded courses\* (see criteria below) by the ESFA (Education Skills Funding Agency) through Aspire Education:
  - Fully Funded (FREE) NCFE | CACHE School Support courses available in levels 1, 2 & 3, starting on 2nd December!
  - Sessions will be available with Aspire Education's employment engagement officers after course completion!
  - Courses run ONLY in term time and not during half term/ end of term periods.
  - This is a six-week intensive course, with online live webinars with Aspire Education's friendly tutors, starting at 9:30am and finishing at 2pm (with lunch break period) from Monday to Friday.
  - All you need is access to the internet and a laptop or tablet.
  - These courses are fully funded by the ESFA (Education Skills Funding Agency).
  - \* If you are earning less than £23,500 per year OR claiming benefits (including Universal Credit, JSA, ESA, PIP, Income Support, Housing Benefits, carers allowance or any type of Tax Credit including Child Tax Credit) you are eligible for a fully funded place on our courses. [School support course Nov 24](#) Please see more details about our eligibility on our website. To take advantage of this opportunity while it's still available, please go to: [www.studysmartuk.online](http://www.studysmartuk.online) for more information.



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- **Borneo 2025** - In July 2025, 18 students and 2 staff will be travelling to Borneo. Whilst there we will be involved in project work to help local communities such as building classrooms, toilet blocks and working on environmental projects such as tree planting. Students have been fundraising individually to pay their way for the trip, but we are currently raising the money to pay for the bus to the airport. Anything extra we raise will be used to buy school supplies that we will give out to the local children. Anything you can give will be greatly appreciated. **Thank you!** Please [click here](#) for more details. We would love it if you could donate on and/or share our GoFundMe page: <https://gofund.me/d218d350>



- **Food Bank Collection**- Please [click here](#) for a poster regarding collections for a local food bank which has been shared with Students during form time.
- **Premier League Kicks** - Please [click here](#) for information from Hinckley and Bosworth council regarding Free city football sessions.
- Our annual **Christmas Concert** is nearly upon us. Please come and join the Performing Arts Faculty for an evening of festive fun on the 4th December.

Tickets are on sale via the link below!

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



### Year 9

- **GL Science Assessments** - please [click here](#) for a letter regarding Year 9 GL Science Assessments which will be taking place in January 2025. This information was shared by email with Parents this week along with a [revision checklist](#).
- **Barcelona Sports Tour** - Further to the letter dated 5th November, please be aware that the next instalment is due by the 29th November 2024. These instalment payments are now set up for you in Arbor/Activities/School Shop.
- **Geography Trip to PGL Centre, Osmington Bay, Weymouth 24-26 March 2025** - details will be shared by email for this forthcoming trip. The total cost is anticipated to be £300 to include coach travel, a full programme of activities, meals and accommodation at the PGL Centre in Weymouth. Trip deposits will be £100, available for payment on Arbor School Shop from 6pm on Monday.

### Year 10

- **Barcelona Sports Tour** - Further to the letter dated 5th November, please be aware that the next instalment is due by the 29th November 2024. These instalment payments are now set up for you in Arbor/Activities/School Shop.



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<b>Year 11</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Year 11 Art/Graphics/Textiles Coursework Deadline</b> - The <b>final coursework deadline is Friday 20th December at 8am</b>. There is <u>no extension to this deadline</u> for <u>any student</u>. All teaching staff and students are working hard every lesson as well as extra intervention sessions to support in the completion of this work. Please note that this coursework is 60% of the students overall GCSE grade. Should you have any questions, please contact your child's subject teacher for Art, Graphics or Textiles (email addresses can be found on the Contact tab of our website <a href="#">click here</a>). Many thanks for all your ongoing support at home in encouraging your child to complete coursework in preparation for this deadline. As a team, we are grateful.</li><li>● <b>Graphic Design Support Sessions (Week commencing 25th November)</b> - This week the Graphics support sessions for students will be: <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday Lunchtime Wednesday After School (3:15 - 4:45pm) Thursday Lunchtime</p></li></ul>
<b>Post 16</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>BETT Show Wednesday 22nd January 2025</b> - for Post 16 Students of Computer Science, IT and Business Studies we are offering coach transport to this informative event of speakers, exhibitors and demonstrations from Industry Tech specialists at the ExCel Arena in London. Details will be emailed to Students, Parents and Carers. Places can be reserved via Arbor/ Activities/ Trips - BETT Show for £35. <b>The deadline has been extended to Monday 25th November at midnight.</b></li><li>● <b>Year 13 Leaver Hoodies</b> - we are excited to share the opportunity for Year 13 students to order "Leaver Hoodies" (first name of all the year group to appear on the reverse) with a view to having them delivered in the New Year for students to wear. A letter has been shared today by email but we have revised the deadline dates for providing your order choices on the google form and the associated payment on Arbor &gt; School Shop. <a href="#">Click here for the revised letter</a> and <a href="#">here for the size and colour chart</a>.</li><li>● <b>Year 12 Business Studies Students</b> - <a href="#">click here for the letter</a> with details of to preorder an A Level Business Studies Book and Calculation Practice Book via the Arbor School Shop.</li><li>● <b>Year 12 Trips to NEC UCAS Discovery &amp; King Power 2025</b> - a reminder that these trips on 11th March and 24th June 2025 are still available to book on <b>Arbor &gt; Activities &gt; Trips &gt; Trip - Y12 NEC UCAS Discovery &amp; King Power Bowl</b> <a href="#">click here</a> for the letter shared regarding</li><li>● <b>Year 13 Business Studies Students</b> - <a href="#">click here for the letter</a> to outline how to preorder an A Level Business Studies Course Guide via the Arbor School Shop.</li></ul>