



# BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS

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## Weekly Parent Bulletin

Friday 29th 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:

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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 toilets. 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 settings offer and generate much needed revenue.

**Exploring New Opportunities with TMEIT**  
After careful consideration, our Trustees have decided to explore joining The Mead Educational Trust (TMEIT). 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 **£3,200!** Thank you to everyone who contributed to generally. This achievement showcases the compassion and commitment of our students, families, and staff, all coming together to support a wonderful cause.

See page 18 for photos! **WELL DONE EVERYONE!**

**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, honoring 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. BGLC 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,  
Will Tacey

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**AUTUMN/SPRING KEY DIARY DATES - ALL YEARS**

Monday 28 October • **CAMPUS OPEN**  
Wednesday 30 October • Year 11 Exam Success Evening 6pm - 8.30pm  
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 25 November • Years 10 & 12 reports issued  
Thursday 28 November • Year 7 - 11 Flu vaccinations  
Wednesday 4 December • **Christmas Concert**  
Friday 6 December • **TRAINING DAY - Campus is closed to STUDENTS**  
Week commencing 9 December • Years 7, 8 & 9 reports issued  
Monday 9 - Friday 13 December • **Christmas Dinner Week**  
Wednesday 11 & Thursday 12 December • Year 9 Progress Evening 9am - 3pm  
Thursday 12 December • Year 9 Progress Evening 3.45pm - 7.15pm  
Friday 20 December • **Campus closes at 3.00pm**

**MONDAY 23 DECEMBER - FRIDAY 3 JANUARY**

Monday 23 December • **CHRISTMAS BREAK**  
Monday 8 January • **CAMPUS OPEN** Start of the Spring Term - All students to attend  
Thursday 9 January • Year 9 Parents Evening 6pm - 7pm  
Tuesday 16 January • Year 13 Mock Results / Exam Success Evening 6.30pm - 8pm  
Thursday 16 January • Year 13 Progress Evening 3.45pm - 7.15pm  
Monday 20 January • **TRAINING DAY - Campus is closed to STUDENTS**  
Thursday 24 January • Year 13 Progress Evening 3.45pm - 7.15pm  
Monday 3 - Friday 14 February • Year 11 Spoken Language Assessments (SML)  
Tuesday 14 February • Year 11 THE BIG REVISE session 2 of 3, 3.15pm - 5.05pm  
Wednesday 12 - Wednesday 20 February • **Six UK Residential Trip**  
Friday 14 February • **Campus closes at 3.00pm**  
Monday 17 - Friday 21 February 2025 • **MID TERM BREAK**  
Monday 14 - Friday 25 April 2025 • **EASTER TWO WEEK BREAK**

**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 12th 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 deserve.

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)

**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](http://www.brookvalegroby.com)

**UPCOMING POST 16 EVENTS**

**POST 16 MOVIE**  
Friday 6th December  
Candy Dinner Studio  
Reservations essential

**Linkee Competition?**  
2nd December  
Lunch  
Cession room  
£1 per person

### Bumper 50 page November Campus Newsletter

**Tree Week**  
23 Nov - 1 Dec 2024

**GOOD LUCK to our Year 11 & Year 13 students, who have now started their MOCK EXAMS!**

**GOOD LUCK GOOD LUCK**

\*\*\* GOOD LUCK TO ALL OF OUR AMAZING STUDENTS! \*\*\*

**ST ANDREW'S DAY**  
30 NOVEMBER 2024

Tree Week

Second week of Year 11 & 13 Mock Exams

St Andrew's Day 30.11.24

All Years

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.



## Weekly Parent Bulletin

### All Years

- **Lost Property** - Please [click here](#) for this week's new items.
- **Christmas Dinner week** - We are offering students the opportunity to have a Christmas lunch on the campus **week commencing Monday 9th December 2024** at a cost of £3.60.



There are 3 options available on Arbor, found under the 'School Shop':

1. Traditional
2. Gluten Free
3. Vegetarian

Please only order one option for each student.

**\*\* Should students have any other specific dietary requirements, please email: [Reception@brookvalegroby.com](mailto:Reception@brookvalegroby.com) and our catering team will do their very best to accommodate. \*\***

Students in receipt of **Free School Meals** will not be charged, **but will still need to pre-order** if they would like a Christmas lunch, please go through the process on Arbor.

**The deadline for orders and payment is Wednesday 4th December 2024**

The Christmas Lunch is served to **one Year Group per day** over the course of this week. A limited range of cold food and one hot option will also be available without pre-order on each day.

Year 7 - Mon 9th December

Year 8 - Tue 10th December

Year 9 - Wed 11th December

Year 10 - Thu 12th December

Year 11 & P16 - Fri 13th December

- **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.





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<b>All Years</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Careers November '24 Newsletter</b> - <a href="#">please click</a> here for our informative Careers Newsletter.</li><li>● <b>Premier League Kicks</b> - Please <a href="#">click here</a> for information from Hinckley and Bosworth council regarding Free city football sessions.</li><li>● Our <b>annual Christmas Concert</b> 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 on our website via the link below:  <a href="https://brookvalegroby.com/productions/">https://brookvalegroby.com/productions/</a></li><li>● <b>Flu Vaccination Information</b> - <a href="#">click here</a> about ongoing arrangements if<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ You gave consent but your child did not have their vaccination (you will be emailed with another opportunity in the community) OR</li><li>○ If you didn't give consent but do wish your child to be vaccinated (the online form will reopen to enable you to give consent. You will then be emailed with another opportunity in the community).</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Year 9</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>GL Science Assessments</b> - please <a href="#">click here</a> 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 <a href="#">revision checklist</a>.</li><li>● <b>Geography Trip to PGL Centre, Osmington Bay, Weymouth 24-26 March 2025</b> - details have been shared by email <a href="#">click here for the letter</a> for this exciting new trip. The total cost is £300 to cover coach travel, a full programme of activities, meals and accommodation at the PGL Centre in Weymouth. Deposit £100 is available on <b>Arbor &gt; School Shop</b> until <b>midnight Tuesday 10th December</b>.</li></ul>
<b>Year 11</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Year 11 Art/Graphics/Textiles Coursework Deadline</b> - The <u>final coursework deadline is Friday 20th December at 8am</u>. There is <u>no extension to this deadline for 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. Please contact your child's subject teacher for with any queries. The team is grateful for all your ongoing support at home encouraging your child to complete coursework by this deadline.</li></ul>
<b>Post 16</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Year 13 Leaver Hoodies</b> - we have launched the opportunity for Year 13 students to order "Leaver Hoodies". There will be <u>no extension to the deadline</u> as the hoodies will be ordered for delivery in the New Year for students to wear. A letter has been shared by email with the revised deadline dates for 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></ul>





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