

Brooke House School Bulletin

23rd June 2023

Brugge Special Edition - Diary of Events (continued on page 5)

Monday

6.45am Everyone arrives – and we are off! The adventure begins!
Traffic heavy – customs at Dover tricky but the ferry was smooth and very exciting especially for students who had never travelled on the ferry before.
Arrived in Dunkirk and headed for the beach – paddle time, collect shells or just run round on the beach. Mr Bailey explained the history of wartime Dunkirk beaches.
Arrived at Youth Hostel, found rooms, unpacked and went out to eat.

Tuesday

Breakfast at Youth Hostel. Walk into Brugge – enjoying the sunshine, being in a new country and the amazing architecture.
Visited The Story of Chocolate – learnt where chocolate originated and the history of it coming to England but only being available for people with a lot of money.
Watched a chocolate demonstration – moulding chocolate into different shapes.
Ate samples of chocolate!! Mmmm....
Visited the chocolate shop.

Visited the Frites Factory and learnt the history of the potato – how people found it, learnt it was edible and how it came to the UK. Some of the students knew Sir Walter Raleigh brought the potato to the UK but they didn't realize that the reason it was particularly grown in Ireland was because he owned large tracts of land in Ireland so he took it to his land to grow and the climate was ideal for it. We ate lunch in the Frites restaurant – delicious!

In the afternoon we visited a beautiful building and went around the museum of The History of Brugges which included a VR session as if we were travelling back in time on a canal boat. Plenty of Squeals of surprise!
Walked back to Youth Hostel ate tea. Free Play outside. Sent for pizza for supper. Off to bed.



Dates for your diary

Monday 26th-Tuesday 27th June
Induction sessions for Buzzards and Year 9 for their new classes.

Thursday 29th June, 2023
Trip to Drayton Manor Resort

Friday 30th June
END OF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 5pm.

11th-30th August
Cosby Yarn Bomb Festival – “Showtime”

Thursday 31st August
Autumn Term Starts

Thursday 7th September
Sports Day.

Thursday 14th September
Visit by the Air Ambulance.

October – date to be confirmed
Evening Bat Detection walk

Friday 10th November
Harry Potter and the Cursed Child
Palace Theatre Trip

Star Factor

This will resume in the Autumn term.



News & Information

Art & Design

This week Sparrowhawks made maps whilst taking a tour of both the Brooke House and The Lodge buildings. They then worked on mark making and adding colour to their maps by sewing fabric and stitching lines using the sewing machine. There were lots of squeals and laughing as the machine went faster.

There was more laughter as Buzzards created portraits of each other using the live models who just wouldn't stay still!

Lots of great work produced which can be viewed on our Pinterest board:

www.pinterest.co.uk/BH_art



Summer Watering

The planting out continued this week – with green beans going in the ground, followed by Summer Squash and yet more Pumpkin plants. Vincent Parker, Miss Brett and Mr Wakley all did the watering.

It is also that time of year when we have to ask parents – what are you doing this summer? Would you be able to spare a bit of time to help with the summer watering? If it is really hot and dry and if we don't water the crops, they won't survive the summer holidays.

Mrs Wakley will put a watering rota up in the porch at Brooke House in the hope that people will be able to sign up for a few days or even a week.

Thank-you in advance.



Swimming Reminder

The top group of students need to remember that if they forgot to bring their pyjamas last time and want to get their life saving certificate, they need to bring their pyjamas with them for their lesson on Wednesday.

Last week of term diary of events

Monday 26th June

Induction sessions for Buzzards and Year 9 for new classes.

Tuesday 27th June

Induction sessions for Buzzards and Year 9 for new classes.

Wednesday 28th June

Last swimming lessons – PJ's for top group

Thursday 29th June

Trip to Drayton Manor Resort – all school

Friday 30th June

Last day of term

Lunchtime BBQ

School closes at 5pm

Latin word of the week

This week's Latin root word is: 'jus'

'law'

Some examples of modern English words that contain this root are

Justice, justify

What other modern words can you find which contain this root word?

News & Information

Mathematics

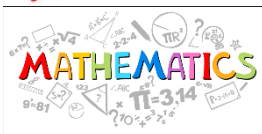


Times Tables Champion

The award this week goes to Mason Michaelides for consistently attaining a high mark each week.



The Mathematics Star for this week goes to Nikhitha Akella for improving the presentation of her work.



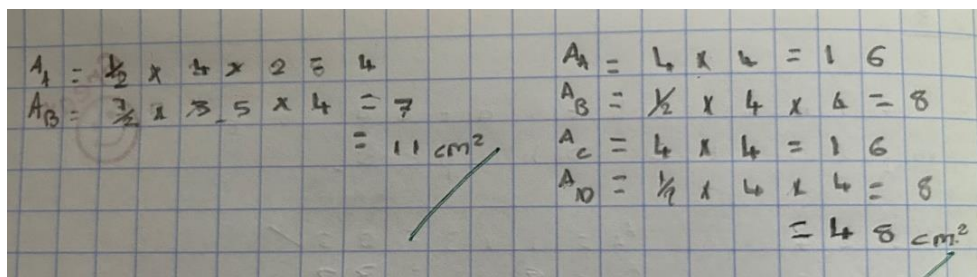
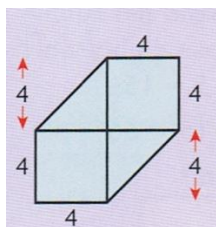
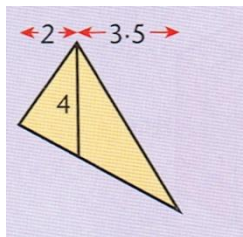
Mathematics Work of the Week by Nivas Odedra for understanding how to partition numbers to multiply 2 digits by 2 digits.

This week's questions were answered by one of our year 4 students.

- 37×14
- 23×15

Their solutions to follow next week.

Last weeks questions were to find the areas of these complex shapes – see answers below.



30 Days Wild

Some of the students have been working on the Woodland Trust 30 Days Wild Challenge in school. The challenges can be viewed on-line on The Woodland Trusts website. Hopefully we can manage to finish off all the challenges this week....

Kickboard
Star



The student with the most Kickboard points this week is;

Nivas Odedra

Well Done!

Menu for next week



Monday

Pork Sausages

Plant based Sausages (V)
Served with Diced Potatoes, Carrots,
Green Beans and Gravy
Chocolate Chip Cookie



Tuesday

Chicken Casserole

Vegetable Casserole (V)
Served with Roast Potatoes and
Broccoli and Cauliflower
Fresh Fruit Platter



Wednesday

Beef Bolognese

Plant Based Bolognese (V)
Served with Pasta, Sweetcorn and
Garlic Bread
Cherry Sponge Cake



Thursday

Fish Fingers

Fishless Fingers (V)
Served with Croquette Potatoes and
Baked Beans
Peaches and Cream



Friday

School BBQ – Mixture of Meat
Burgers
Vegetable Burgers (V)
Served with Salad
Ice-Cream in a Cone

**Jacket
Potatoes**

If you need to order a jacket potato for your child on any of the days please can you email the bulletin with the day(s) and the choice of filling. Please can all orders be in by **2200 on Sunday evening**.

The filling choices are cheese, baked beans and spaghetti hoops.

Brugge diary continued

Wednesday

Breakfast at Youth Hostel. Everyone make-up their own packed lunch. Then off to the buses and a short drive to the Palingbeek Centre – owned by Brugge City Council. Went into the Planetarium and had a talk on the creation of earth – complete with mind blowing visual display whilst laying back in the dark in comfy seats – mmmm did anyone go to sleep? Then up into the dome – where the roof was opened and using an enormous telescope, we viewed the sun and its flares.

We ate lunch in the grounds, den built in the woods, played football.

Then we had two afternoon workshops – programming and controlling Mars robots then building comets using dry ice!

Back to Youth Hostel – showered and changed – walk into Brugge to restaurant for dinner and waffles for pudding. Another exciting day.

Thursday

Breakfast at Youth Hostel. Make packed lunch. Then into buses and drive to Antwerp. A wet day but visited the Plantin-Moretus Museum learning about Christophe Plantin who lived in the house and built his printing business from scratch. We learnt the history of typesetting and how time consuming it was and how the whole family worked in the business. Lucy Thornton explained to everyone that they had a typesetting set at home and how it worked.

We had some free time shopping – in groups with adults – buying presents to take home.

Evening meal in Antwerp at The Hard Rock Café – a special last night party meal treat. Followed by more shopping in The Hard Rock Cafe shop.

Drive back to Youth Hostel – showers, packing and bed. Busy, busy, busy!

Friday

Up early – get breakfast, make packed lunch, finish packing, load buses. Leave Youth Hostel and drive for the ferry.

Customs checks. Lunch on the ferry. Time for more shopping? Slow drive back to school in heavy traffic.

Arrive back at school. Unload. Send everyone home with waiting parents.

That is roughly the diary of events. I'm still not sure how we managed to cram so much into such a short space of time. It also doesn't cover the fact that we took an amazing group of young people who learnt so much – not just educational knowledge but also how to work as a team, looking after each other and how to be independent looking after themselves. Thank-you to everyone who came and as the students kept asking us on the way home – where will we go next time???

See picture gallery on the next pages.

Brugge picture gallery



Brugge picture gallery



Plus many more on Whatsapp....