Brooke House School Bulletin

3rd November 2023

Welcome back after half-term

We hope you all had a restful half-term and are ready for the busy run up to Christmas!

We started back with a spooky feel to school with a Halloween party – on Tuesday - for the Brooke House children which was very lively as you can imagine....





This week in art and design the students have been creating spooky haunted houses for Halloween and printed skulls for Day of the dead. If you would like to view the students ongoing art and design projects then check out our <u>Pinterest page</u>.



Dates for your diary

<u>Friday, 17th November, 2023</u> Crazy Hair Day for Children in Need

<u>Thursday 23rd November, 2023</u> Keystage 2 Parents evening

Wednesday 22nd & 29th November Keystage 3 & 4 Parents evening

<u>Tuesday 12th December, 2023</u> Christmas Production (afternoon performance)

Wednesday 13th December, 2023 Christmas Production - evening

<u>Friday 15th December, 2023</u> End of Term – School Closes at 5pm

<u>New Date – 12th January, 2024</u> Harry Potter and the Cursed Child <u>Palace Theatre Trip</u>___



Star Factor The student with the star factor this week is Thomas Lee for excellent effort in his English. Well done, Thomas!



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GUEST SPEAKERS - CAREERS

This week, as part of our continuing series in looking at different jobs and professions, Year 10 and 11 heard from two guest speakers: David Chambers and Molly Chambers (father and daughter).

Molly Chambers is a trainee geography teacher at Lawrence Sheriff, Rugby (Boarding School for boys with a sixth form with girls). She is only 22 years old. She finished Loughborough University with a Geography Degree this summer and went straight into teaching. She works 4 days a week in the school and goes to Warwick University on Fridays for her teacher training sessions. Her top tip for revision was to revise for 45 minutes maximum and then go for a walk to clear your head and reset. She also advised that if you are shy, you should get a part-time job, even working in a bar/restaurant will help your confidence, especially at interviews.

Mr Chambers is a semi-retired English teacher now working as a Teaching Assistant he said he didn't go to University straight away, but worked in a factory at Foxton for several years. He was therefore a Mature Student at Thames Polytechnic (as it was called then). He further said he always wanted to be a teacher. His advice was to keep going if you need a particular qualification to do what you really want to do.

Thanks to both of our guest speakers. It is useful for Year 10 and 11 to show them that studying and revision is all worthwhile in the end.

If any parents would like to come and talk for 45 minutes to Year 10-11, please let us know. Thank you.

Parents Evening

Appointments for older children have been sent out by e-mail:-

Keystage 2 – Thursday 23rd November Keystage 3 & 4 Wednesday 22nd & Wednesday 29th November.

PE Star of the Week

Tuesday - Nikhitha Akella Thursday Group 1 – Thomas Lee Thursday Group 2 – Charlotte Lane





Food Technology

In cooking this week Kestrels, Ospreys, Goshawks and Kites all made some delicious spooky Halloween biscuits. Goshawks were outstanding with every student independently making their biscuits without any adult help so the whole class was awarded star baker. In the Kestrels and Ospreys class star baker goes to George Mugridge who also independently worked on his biscuits. In Kites, the star baker went to Kai Lane.



Remembrance Day



Well done to Vincent Parker and the Cosby Cub Scouts who raised £225 for the Royal British Legion by selling poppies for Remembrance Day.

Latin word of the week

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

'peace

Some examples of modern English words that contain this root are

Pacify, Pacific

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

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Mathematics



Times Tables Champion

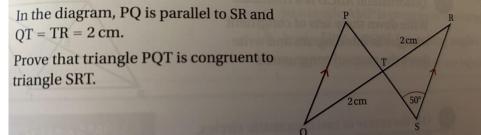
The award this week goes to George Mugridge for his improvement in his weekly times tables tests.



The Mathematics Star for this week goes to Edward Dixon for his understanding of calculating the surface area of prisms, which is a tricky concept to grasp.



Mathematics Work of the Week by Zara Bowers for excellent work on proving whether two triangles congruent and understanding the importance of listing the three facts with relevant reasons.



Questions from last time, with answers by a year 6 student

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Harry Potter trip – change of date

There has been a change of date for the trip to see Harry Potter and the Cursed Child. This will now be on Friday 12th January, 2024 to the Palace Theatre in London. This will be better for our own school production and will not clash with our rehearsals. The trip will be open to the students in Goshawks, Yr7/8/9/10 & 11. Letters will be going out shortly.



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Our New Nursery

Much to the excitement of everyone in school our new nursery was launched this week. We thought we would share some of the pictures of our new babies.....

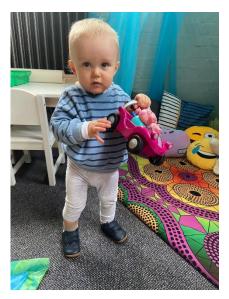














Menu for next week



Monday Pork Sausages Vegetarian Sausages (V) Served with Roast Potatoes, Green Beans and Carrots Fresh Fruit Platter



Tuesday Savoury Turkey Mince Savoury Vegetables (V) Served Diced Potatoes, Broccoli and Sweetcorn Rice Pudding



Wednesday Chicken in White Sauce Vegetables in White Sauce (V) Served with Rice, Peas and Cauliflower Jam Sponge and Custard Star Factor Chicken Nuggets Vegetable Burger (V) Served with Croquette Potatoes, Sweetcorn and Peas with Tomato Ketchup Orange Jelly and Vanilla Ice-Cream

Friday



Thursday Beef Bolognaise Meat Free Bolognaise (V) Served with Pasta, Carrots and Garlic Bread Fruit Danish

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.