

# BROCKINGTON COLLEGE

## LEARNING TO LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL

A Church of England Academy

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### Principal's Introduction

#### **Brockington College Popularity**

As you will be aware from the previous bulletin, one of our roles in the first half-term of the year is securing pupil numbers for the 2015-16 academic year. I am absolutely delighted that initial information indicates that we will be significantly over-subscribed by those wishing to join us in Year 7 next year. Additionally, pupils currently indicating that they will study their GCSE courses elsewhere next year can be counted on one hand.



#### **Staff Team**

I have no doubt that this popularity is as a result of the learning occurring on a daily basis. This in turn is due to the outstanding members of staff, that care passionately about the children and as a result work tirelessly on their behalf. I have met recently with all subject leaders at the college to discuss their team's performance last year alongside their plans for this year. As a result, I can confidently inform you that we are in an excellent position as we commence GCSE provision.

#### **11-16 update**

Year 9 pupils have now submitted their option choices, which we will discuss with them prior to designing the timetable for 2015-16. However, in the meantime, each subject area is revising the Key Stage 4 curriculum and currently teaching elements of this curriculum to Year 9 pupils. Discussions with Archers, our building consultants, are progressing well and I hope to be in a position to give specific details to parents at the Parents' Forum event on Tuesday 2 December 2014 at 7.00 pm.

#### **Parents as Partners**

We are currently working on helping you, as parents, to support your child at school. Miss Walker is leading our parents as partners' work and you will note some tips for parents and particularly in maths, on pages 17 and 18 of this bulletin. Additionally, Mr Barton has been updating the school website to ensure that you have curriculum information and links to websites to support learning. Mr Patel led an e-safety briefing for parents in October, from which a summary is provided on page 20 and I hope you will be able to attend the Parents' Forum on Tuesday 2 December.

## School Values

The current edition of the bulletin resonates and highlights the school values that we continually highlight to our pupils. Further evidence of how the whole of the Brockington community displays these values came through the national news recently and within an edition of Panorama, (BBC 1 Tuesday 21 October). The programme highlighted the breakthrough research around paralysis that has been conducted through funding by The Nicholls Trust. As you will be aware, we have all supported this charity through our sponsored fun runs and non-uniform days, led by Miss Wyeth. As a result, we are by far and away the largest school contributor to this cause and can be immensely proud of the difference that will potentially be made to the lives of those who have been paralysed.

# Our Values

Compassion Forgiveness Justice Koinonia  
Perseverance Wisdom Learning

## Remembrance Day: Tuesday 11 November 2014



Bearing in mind the significance of this year's date, we will be holding a short service at the college on Tuesday 11 November 2014.



There will be a fanfare by our brass players, war poetry read by a pupil leading to the laying of wreaths by war veterans and the playing of the Last Post. Parents are very welcome to join us for the short service, which will start promptly at 10.40 am.

**Mr Chris Southall,  
Principal**

# BROCKINGTON MATTERS

## Dates for your Diary

### Brockington College

#### Christmas Fayre

Friday 5 December 2014  
(4.00 pm to 7.00 pm)



#### Year 9 Consultation Evenings

Band 1: Monday 12 January 2015  
Band 2: Wednesday 14 January 2015

#### Year 8 Consultation Evenings

Band 2: Monday 20 April 2015  
Band 1: Wednesday 22 April 2015

#### Year 7 Consultation Evenings

Band 1: Monday 11 May 2015  
Band 2: Wednesday 13 May 2015

## Parents' Forum Meeting

The next Parents' Forum Meeting of this academic year will take place on:-

**Tuesday 2 December 2014**

**7.00 pm - 8.00 pm**

All parents and carers are invited to hear about the current delivery of GCSE Religious Studies to Year 9 pupils at the college, with an update on 11-16 plans.

Refreshments will be provided.

## Holidays During Term Time

Government guidelines, which came into effect on 1 September 2013, prevent Headteachers from granting any leave of absence during term time, unless there are exceptional circumstances for doing so.

Absence requests should be made in writing to the Principal at least four weeks prior to the absence, providing details of the exceptional circumstance. The Principal will consider the request and write back to parents/carers with the outcome of his decision.

### HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2014-2015

#### **Autumn Term 2014**

School closes: 19 December 2014

#### **Spring Term 2015**

School opens: 6 January 2015  
Mid-term break: 16 to 20 February 2015  
School closes: 27 March 2015

#### **Summer Term 2015**

School opens: 13 April 2015  
May Day: 4 May 2015  
Mid-term break: 25 May to 29 May 2015  
School closes: 10 July 2015

### HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2015-2016

#### **Autumn Term 2015**

School opens: 1 September 2015  
Mid-term break: 19 to 23 October 2015  
School closes: 18 December 2015

#### **Spring Term 2016**

School opens: 5 January 2016  
Mid-term break: 15 to 19 February 2016  
School closes: 23 March 2016

#### **Summer Term 2016**

School opens: 11 April 2016  
May Day: 2 May 2016  
Mid-term break: 30 May to 3 June 2016  
School closes: 15 July 2016

*Please note that these term dates have been agreed and will be the same as all primary schools in our catchment area*

# Voice it!



As a result of the feedback we received on our 'Anti Bullying' Survey in 2012, we launched two new systems designed to make it easier for pupils to log their concerns about bullying, anti social behaviour or any other concerns about pupils or behaviour in and around the college. The first system is accessed through the school website, where pupils can email the pastoral team (either anonymously or they can provide their name). You can find this by looking at the pupil pages in the 'Care, Guidance and Support' section of the website. The email is checked on a daily basis and then steps are taken to deal with the issues highlighted. The second, similar system is run through the 'Voice it' boxes, which are located outside of the Pastoral Office and in the library. Pupils can fill in a form, available in the library, the front of reception and some tutors also have forms available in their tutor rooms and then place it in the box. Again, they can be anonymous or they can give their name.

So far the systems are proving highly successful and they are used on a regular basis. We have found that it has removed the barrier for some pupils; the hardest step can often be telling someone what is wrong and this is much easier to do and much less daunting when it doesn't have to be face to face!

Please keep using the system and keep us informed. If we are aware we can act, if we don't know about the issue upsetting you then we can't possibly help!

## Summary of issues reported this year so far:

**10 peer issues reported**

**Dealt with by Head of Year/Pastoral Manager**

### EMERGENCY CLOSURE OF COLLEGE THROUGH SNOWFALL OR OTHER EMERGENCY



Only in the last resort will the college be closed.

Where the decision to close is made it will be communicated to parents/carers via

**Brockington College website**  
[www.brockington.leics.sch.uk](http://www.brockington.leics.sch.uk)  
Radio Leicester 104.9 FM  
and (where possible) via our text messaging system.

### PUBLICITY



Please inform the Principal, in writing, if you are not happy for your child's photograph to be used in the press or in publicity materials.

### Aprons Food Technology

Aprons are college uniform and must be brought to all practical food lessons. Pupils who forget may borrow a spare apron and this will need to be washed at home and returned the next day.



Department detentions will be given to those students who do not bring kit to lessons.

### Macmillan Cancer Support

£46.86 was raised for Macmillan Cancer Support.  
Thank you and well done to all staff who made and contributed the cakes.



# Brockington Health Matters

INHALERS



## Emergency Medication

We have a number of pupils in school that carry  
**'Emergency Medicines'**

EPIPENS

CONSENT FORMS

Can we please ask that:

- (a) Your child carries these with them at ALL times
- (b) That expiry dates are checked
- (c) That the medicine is labelled with your child's name on it
- (d) That you consider providing a 'spare one' to be kept in the First Aid Room
- (e) Inhalers accompany your child with them to PE lessons  
(a small labelled container to keep the inhaler in will help to prevent loss of the item).
- (f) That your child takes them on school trips

Epipen users MUST have a signed Emergency Action Plan (EAP) from the prescribing GP or Consultant

**ALL other medicine users, including those with an inhaler, must have a medicines consent form signed by the parent/carer.**

*A medicines consent form is available on the Brockington website and from Reception. For Epipen users, please request a specific form, if your GP is unable to do this.*

If you would like further information, or are unsure of procedures to follow, please do not hesitate to ask:  
**Mrs Williamson - Health Co-ordinator (extension 109)**

## MEDICAL MATTERS

### HOW DO I REPORT MY CHILD'S ILLNESS?

If your child is too ill to attend college, please notify the college on the first day of absence. Please provide the pupil's name, form, date and reason for absence, by one of the following methods:-

- Telephone as early as possible on 0116 2863722 and follow instructions to leave a voice mail message on the dedicated absence line
- Email the school on [studentabsence@brockington.leics.sch.uk](mailto:studentabsence@brockington.leics.sch.uk)
- Text reason for absence to 0116 3260247

The college employs a text messaging system and you will be contacted by 10.00 am if your child does not attend and the college has not been notified. This initial contact should be followed by a note in your child's planner or a separate letter on the day he/she returns to verify the number of days of absence.

# BROCKINGTON NEWS



Daisy Nicholson (8B) won an Ipad Mini in the My Stickers National prize draw.



## Green Flag Award

We are delighted to announce that Brockington College received their fourth consecutive Green Flag award for outstanding Eco - schools work on Wednesday 29 October 2014. Well done all and the Eco - Committee in particular. Thank you for your support. Mrs I Clark.



## The Library Year 7 Reading Challenge 2014

The challenge for Year 7 students is to read either ten, seven or five books before Christmas and gain either a Gold, Silver or Bronze Certificate and Carrot Reward Stickers.



I am pleased to say that over 100 Reading Records Cards have been issued, so it looks as if the "Brockington Bookworms" are on course to repeat the success of last year's challenge. It's still not too late to join in! Mrs Gardner.

## A Place to Grow



Thank you to all those who have donated Morrisons 'Let's Grow Vouchers'. Miss Reynolds.

## Design & Technology.....

## DESIGNER OF THE MONTH

Amber Saqladi 7R



Amber Saqladi

To commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the start of WW1, we will be hosting a non-school uniform day. This will take place on the Friday 14 November 2014. We are doing this to enforce our school values: perseverance, wisdom, compassion, justice, forgiveness, learning and koinonia. The price to participate will be £1 and the money will be collected during Form Time. The money will be donated to the Royal British Legion. Last year's national *Poppy Appeal Fund* total was £36.6 million. The charity then gives money to support serving and ex-servicemen, women and their dependents who are in need, financially or otherwise. By doing this, we are showing our school values of compassion and also through learning from the wisdom and perseverance of 1000's of men's sacrifice for our freedom to live in a just world.

**By Ciya Tyers and Grace Watson.  
SRJLW**

100 YEARS



**A poppy field**

## MORNING MUSIC AT BROCKINGTON COLLEGE



Your child may have commented on the music that has been playing over the last term at the start of the school day. This pilot scheme has involved members of staff, as well as the students, choosing a piece of music that reflects our school values. Music has ranged from Duran Duran to Taylor Swift! We will also play classical music once a week, so that our students can experience this genre whilst quietly reflecting on the theme of the week. Feedback from both students and staff has been extremely positive and has helped to establish a nice and calm start to the working day.

If you feel that you have something to contribute in terms of selecting a song, then please contact Mrs McKenzie via email: [amc@brockington.leics.sch.uk](mailto:amc@brockington.leics.sch.uk)

**Literacy**  
**Stars of**  
**the**  
**Month**

**September**  
**2014**



<u>Subject</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Form</u>
English	Shannon Smalley Daniel Langstaff	9G 9R
Mathematics	Alex Punshon Megan Dickman	9K 8K
Science	Paige Stone Daniel Langstaff	9C 9R
Art	Tawanda Mutoti Caitlin Potts	8K 8O
Design Technology	Amber Saqladi Bailey Kitchen	7R 8K
History	Ellie Croughwell Charlie Gillatt	8L 9C
Geography	Rishi Patel Phoebe Howe	7C 8I
RS	Ahlena Hussain David Wilkins	9O 9N
Languages	Will Dixon Kayleigh Knight	7I 7I
PE	Eliot Morris Jen Aspden	8G 8N
ICT	Bailey Kitchen Shantelle York	8K 8C
PHSCE	Imogen Drinkwater Luke Stannard Sharanjeet Kaur Jamal Brown Taylor Mansell	7I 7R 8K 9R 9R
Performing Arts	Bailey Kitchen Elliott Malkin	8K 8I



**Leicestershire**  
**County Rugby**  
**(all girl) Team**

Having gone through four weeks of rigorous trials, Grace Watson

in 8R has recently managed to secure a place in the Leicestershire County Rugby (all girl) Team. As only half of the candidates were awarded a place, this is a real achievement and acknowledgement of Grace's skill, ability and commitment to the game.

We wish her all the very best for her future in this very 'full on' sport.

Well done Grace!

**PE KIT**

Can pupils remember to bring ALL their equipment and PE kit on the day they need it. Telephone calls home will not be made for forgotten kits and equipment.

The PE department has some items of sports wear that pupils may borrow. Please make sure all PE kit is named.

Thank you.

## **DANCE**

<b>Rising Stars</b>	<b>Stars</b>
Keira Oldham Lauren Wright Francesca Riley Megan Hill Tianna Routley Elissa Howard Tia Elliott Zoe English Noora Kaur Faye Brookes Molly Pennick Ruby Cox Georgia Ogden	Emma Johnson Cerys Goodson Jamie Lee Brown Ahlena Hussain Jade Donoghue Jen Aspden Isabel Barrie Faye Ward Rebecca Willis Millie Prendergast Kayleigh Wiltshire Brown Daisy Nicholson Mollie Gill Harriett Barrington Jessica Bates

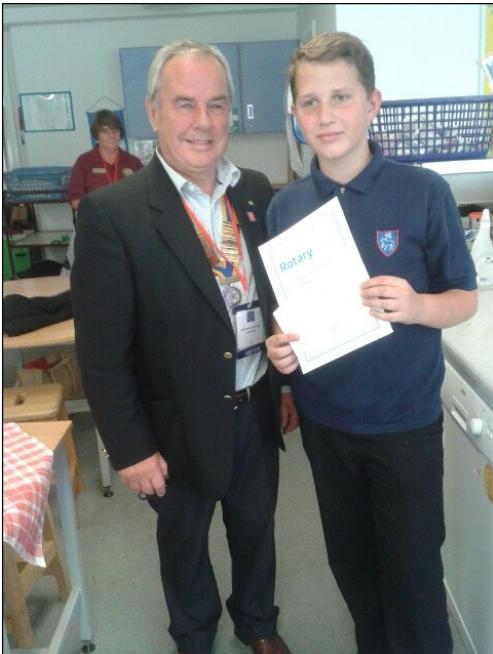
## **HOCKEY**

<b>Rising Stars</b>	<b>Stars</b>
Ramona Cowling Maisy Juckles Jade Jackson Merice Williams Monique Daniels Macey Harris Corrine Bownes Molly Carter Georgia Moore Charlotte Palmer Yazmine Evans Rebekah Braker Holly Jeffcott Georgia Foley Shakane Blake Jessica Cursley Ellie Neal Kate Reed	Scarlett Moore Rhea Patel Hollie Clark Lauren Wright Carrie Hoban Elissa Howard Lily Lavery Allcroft Alice Hewitt Paige Stone Sacha Berry Ellie Webster Beth Hoey Maddy Burnham Beth Swain



We are a spray deodorant free school due to the effects that sprays can have on pupils and members of staff who have respiratory concerns, such as asthma.

We do, however, strongly encourage pupils to use roll on deodorants after PE lessons.  
Thank you.



## Rotary Young Chef 2015 Blaby District

Rotary Young Chef competitor for 2015 Blaby District is Oliver Biggs, runner up was Chloe Gearing. The local team from Rotary and local chef Tony Parris, judged and presented the awards. Oliver will be taking part early next year in the Rotary Local District finals and we wish him lots of luck.



## Here are the Star Achievers and Rising Stars for this half term in English.

STAR ACHIEVERS	YEAR 7	Year 8	Year 9
Band 1	Saffron Bateman (7R)	Grace Watson (8R)	Gabriella Norton (9C)
Band 2	Ben Butler (7L)	Nathan Bayliss (8G)	Alex Punshon (9K)

RISING STAR	YEAR 7	Year 8	Year 9
Band 1	Charlize Patel (7B)	Connor Jackson (8C)	Joel Plant (9O)
Band 2	Elinor Whitworth (7N)	Maisie Pollard (8I)	Shayleigh Holt (9G)

Keep up the hard work, it could be you next time. The English Department.



# FESTO

"The best part was when we went on the boards and inflated the muscle. We put the air into it to see how it reacted to the increase of pressure" Lauren Wright



**"We make the things that make the things that make the things"**



"It was a fun trip because you find out about pneumatic systems and used some equipment which makes it a hands on trip. The interactive gallery was especially cool as we got to see some robots" Jake Summers



"We got involved by creating the paper ray tail, I found that interesting and it taught us about what you could do with different materials and how to use ideas like FESTO's biomimicry of animal creatures" Carrie Hoban.

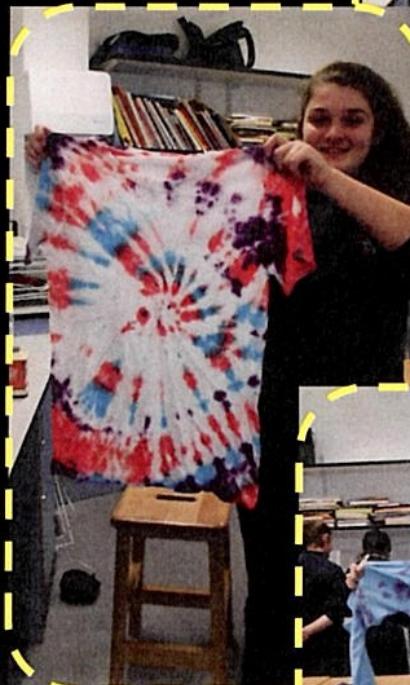


## Design STEM Workshop

# YOUNG DESIGNERS CLUB

Year 9

Experimental  
Tye Dye  
T-shirts



Applique &  
Embroidery



# Performing Arts



## Open Mic Night

On Thursday 9 October 2014 Brockington held its very first Open Mic night, raising money for the Leicester Royal Infirmary Neo-Natal unit. There was a wide variety of talent on display, from singers, to guitarists to flugal horn players! The audience brought along picnics and the Charity Committee sold some beautiful cakes for Macmillan. A lovely evening was had by all and our performers, although nervous to begin with, showed some of the outstanding quality of musicians we have in the college. We hope to hold another similar event in the spring term to build on this success, so watch this space!

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### Harvest Festival Service

On Friday 17 October pupils in the Vocal Group performed at the Harvest Festival at Enderby Church. We all walked to the church at the start of school to be ready for the service that the Year 7's would be watching. In the service I was part of the Vocal Group and performed a quartet with my friends. We sang *Fields of Gold*. This was the second year I had performed in the harvest festival.  
I loved it! George Bryan 8R.

### Orchestra

Every Tuesday in 022 from  
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm  
Open to all musicians.  
See Miss Styles or  
Miss Pilgrim for more information.



### Year 9 Drama Club

Every Tuesday in the drama studio  
from 3:10 pm– 4:10 pm. Open to any  
Year 9 pupils interested in developing  
their performance skills. See  
Mrs Hawthorne for more information.



### **Performing Arts Star and Rising Star**

In celebration of all the hard work  
and commitment of our pupils we  
have decided to award two pupils  
each month as our 'Star' and  
'Rising Star' in performing arts.



**Ryan Miller 7I**  
Excellent start and  
reading at the  
Harvest Service.

## **Musical Instrument Lessons**

Here at Brockington College, we recognise the importance that learning to play a musical instrument can have on a young adult. It can help to promote a sense of self-discipline, self-esteem and enhance self-expression/creativity. We, therefore, encourage as many pupils as possible to start and learn a musical instrument. If you are interested in booking lessons for your child, then please contact the teacher of the instrument you are interested in as listed below. They will then send out their information and contracts in order to start lessons with them.

If you have any questions, please contact Miss Styles at the school on 0116 286 3722 or via email [ses@brockington.leics.sch.uk](mailto:ses@brockington.leics.sch.uk)

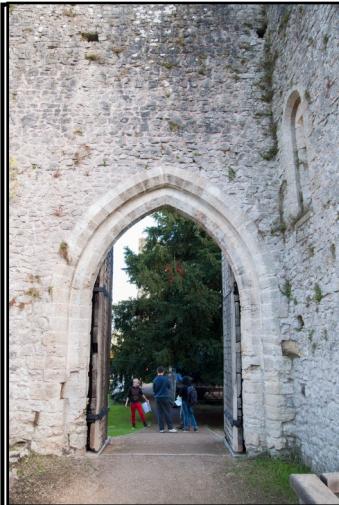
### **Instrumental Teachers contact details:**

<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Name of Teacher</b>	<b>Contact details for the teacher</b>
Flute	Ms Teresa Bexon	01455 239373 07791456054 <a href="mailto:tjbmusic@talktalk.net">tjbmusic@talktalk.net</a>
Keyboard, piano	Mr Ian Maw	<a href="mailto:ianmaw@tiscali.co.uk">ianmaw@tiscali.co.uk</a>
Drum kit	Mr Adam Stringer	07941 549962
Guitar (electric, bass and classical)	Mr Dave Jobson	0116 2920622 07948 402728 <a href="mailto:guitarlessons@tiscali.co.uk">guitarlessons@tiscali.co.uk</a>
Singing	Mrs Sarah Woodhall	07866015774
Clarinet, saxophone	Mr Patrick White	<a href="mailto:patrickjwhitemusicteacher@hotmail.co.uk">patrickjwhitemusicteacher@hotmail.co.uk</a>
Violin, Viola	Ms Sally Smith	<a href="mailto:sasviolinviola@hotmail.co.uk">sasviolinviola@hotmail.co.uk</a>
Ukulele	Mr Mark Ferraby	<a href="mailto:mark@littleredtruck.co.uk">mark@littleredtruck.co.uk</a> 07901 560 215

### **Performing Arts Extra-Curricular Activities**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break	Practice rooms available for <b><u>all musicians</u></b> wishing to practice.				
Lunch	Vocal group - 024		Harvest festival rehearsals 022 and 024		
After school	Department closed	Brockington Orchestra Year 9 Drama club	Music theory club 024	Practice rooms available for <b><u>all musicians</u></b> to use.	

## **YEAR 8 HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY FOREST OF DEAN TRIP**



Again this year, 44 Year 8 pupils embarked on the three day residential educational visit to Forest of Dean between Monday 6 October and Wednesday 8 October. The combined History and Geography trip has taken place for a number of years and has always been popular with the pupils. The group stayed in St Briavels Castle and took in various attractions within the Forest of Dean, including Beechenhurst Lodge, Chepstow Castle, Clearwell Caves, Symonds Yat, Wench Ford and the Dean Heritage Centre. The visit builds on topics studied in History including castles and life in the medieval ages and during the Industrial Revolution and Geography study of river processes and land use. We did plenty of walking, sports and even archery. On our second night, we all dressed up in medieval costumes and held a real medieval banquet



followed by resolving a murder mystery. This year's trip proved extremely successful with the pupils being praised for their attitude and behaviour by the staff at various attractions.

Throughout the trip, the pupils displayed a great enthusiasm and put great effort into their costumes for the traditional medieval banquet. We had to award four prizes instead of the usual two as the costumes were outstanding.



I would also like to thank all staff (Mrs Wright, Mr Minion, Mr Carr and Mr Spencer) for their hard work and dedication to make this trip as enjoyable and educational as possible for all the students.



Check out more photographs from the trip on Brockington website!

Mrs I Clark, Humanities Faculty



## Our School Values in Action

This term during Spiritual Reflection in form time, all pupils have been working on a project linked to the charity 'PostPals'. Post Pals is a small charity run solely by volunteers who are dedicated to making seriously ill children and their siblings smile by the sending of cards, letters, little gifts, support and friendship.

Each form has chosen a 'Post Pal' and have created items to send to them to make them smile.

We have been amazed and feel very proud of the enthusiasm and kindness shown by our pupils in this project. Here are just a few of the items that were made.



This is further evidence of our school values in action. Not only have our pupils encouraged others to persevere in times of struggle, they have also shown compassion towards others and demonstrated the value of Koinonia by working as a community to reach out to others.

## The Brockington Pupil Charity Committee



The first event this academic year has been a Macmillan event at the Brockington 'open mic' night. Our Charity Committee and their families helped to make a variety of goodies to sell to the performers and audience to raise money

for Macmillan. We raised over £60.00.

Our next fund raising event will be for Children in Need and Save the Children. Mrs McKenzie.



# PARENTS AS PARTNERS..

## Top tips how to help your child at home..

- Create an environment at home for studying
- Keep in contact with the teachers
- Encourage organisation
- Encourage reading every day
- Be positive about homework tasks
- Use the website to familiarise yourself with subject topics

## JUST FOR PARENTS..

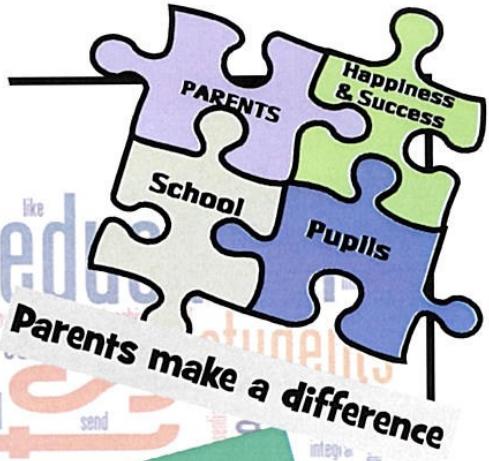
## SHARING IDEAS

### Your section..

**Do you have a useful tip or videos/information successes you would like to share??**

**Please e-mail**

**eew@brockington.leics.sch.uk and we will feature it in the newsletter**



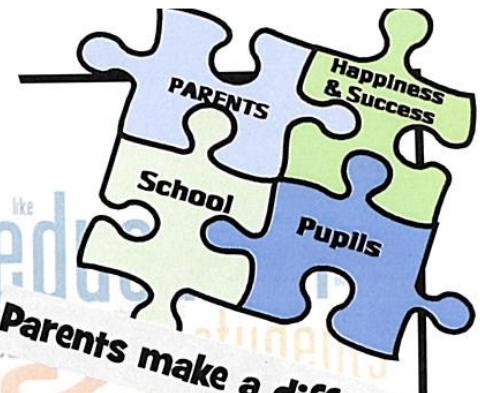
**PUPILS HAVE HIGHER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT WHEN PARENTS ARE INVOLVED IN THEIR EDUCATION.**

## What are the benefits of parents getting involved?

The benefits for the children are:

- It is easier for children to learn when they get encouragement at home
- They will do better and achieve more when their parents are involved
- Children get access to more activities in and out of school when there are more adults to help
- Their concerns can be sorted out quicker when their parents have a positive relationship with school staff

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## JUST FOR PARENTS..

### Discussion points for home Maths:

*How important is it to be able to do mental calculations these days, when every mobile phone or computer has a built in calculator?*

### Top tips for MATHS...

- 1) Encourage your child to do as many calculations that occur at home mentally if possible.
- 2) Take your child to the weekly shop and get a running estimation for what the cost of the shopping is. If you can, give them a treat for being close.
- 3) Involve your child in the household budget - encourage them to work out where money could be saved and how expenditure like Christmas and birthdays etc can be found.
- 4) Give your child responsibility for a small budget - rather than pay for all of their clubs and treats out of your own budget, give them a set amount each week or month and get them to plan where the money has to go.
- 5) Cook or bake with your child; this can be particularly useful if dealing with ingredients and having to adapt a recipe as that can help with proportional reasoning.
- 6) Don't limit mathematical ideas to numbers - if redecorating, re-carpeting, etc in your home ask your child to help with measurements, area calculations etc.

TOP

TIPS

FOR

PARENTS

# Brockington College –

## Cycle Use Rules



Pupils who are issued a permit are required to abide by the following rules:

1. Dismount bike when on the school site (no riding on school property).  
(3 Penalty Points).
2. Always have a lock for your bike and use it.
3. Always ensure your bike is in good repair (has working front and rear brakes, fully inflated tyres with tread and reflectors).
4. Only bikes are allowed on site. (No scooters, skateboards, rollerblades etc).
5. Always follow the Highway Code when travelling to school. This includes:
  - Riding safely and sensibly
  - Stopping at traffic lights, pedestrian crossings and stopping for school crossing patrol officers
  - Not weaving in and out of traffic
  - Not putting pedestrians in danger by riding on crowded pavements
6. Always follow instructions given by school staff regarding bike use on site.
7. Pupils must have their pass available for inspection at all times.
8. Pupils must park in the space allocated (given) to them. Failure to do so will result in 3 penalty points.

### Consequences



**Pupils who fail to follow the above rules will receive 3 points each time a rule is not complied with.**

If a pupil receives 12 points in a year their pass will be revoked (withdrawn) and they will get a bike ban.

Each year there will be a fresh start, however if a pupil receives 2 bans they will be ineligible (not allowed) to apply for another permit.



### Cycle Helmets

It is advisable that all pupils who cycle to and from college wear a cycle helmet for safety reasons.

**Please take extra note of point (1) above – Thank you**

## LOST PROPERTY

Items of lost property are taken to the reception. Named items can, of course, be more easily returned to the rightful owner. Lost property is now displayed outside the main college reception at lunch times, giving pupils a daily chance to reclaim any missing items.

Parents/carers who wish to come and view lost property should telephone reception (0116 2863722) to make arrangements to come and do so after college.

**Due to the volume of lost property, anything remaining after two weeks will be donated to charity**



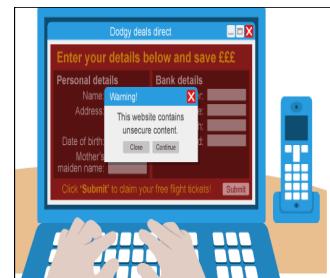


# Internet Safety

On Wednesday 1 October, Brockington College hosted an E-safety presentation for parents. The presentation was delivered by Lucy Johnson from the Child Exploitation and Online Protection Agency and Tracey Green from Leicester Youth Offending Services. Close to 50 parents attended and the feedback they gave was extremely positive. For those that couldn't make it, we have summarised the top five tips that came out of the presentation.

## Top Tips – E-safety for Parents

1. Remove phones or internet access at night. Often young people will be woken up by updates and text messages in the early hours. This impacts their sleep and their performance at school the next day. Who is your child talking to at 3.00 am?
2. Talk to your child. Ask them questions, be curious in a non-threatening way about their use of technology. They will tell you all the tips and tricks, which you can then use to monitor what they do.
3. Use social media yourself. The best way to understand the risks is to become a user of social media platforms such as Snapchat and Facebook. You can then use this experience to inform and guide your child.
4. Everything that your child uses on their phone has security settings, make sure your child is aware of how to use these and encourage them to use the most secure settings possible.
5. Use the internet to learn about the internet. Google is a parent's best friend and there is a wealth of information and videos that you can access to keep your child safe.



## Kash 4 Kenya

Recycle and raise funds for the Kash 4 Kenya meal aid scheme!

Don't send your unwanted textiles to land fill, recycle them using the textile bank at Brockington.

The Salvation Army will give us 50% of the proceeds made from donated textiles.

So please bring in good quality clean textiles, including curtains, bed linen, clothing accessories and paired shoes.

The textile bank is situated in the main car park.



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*For more information, please contact Steve Buck ([lettings@brockington.leics.sch.uk](mailto:lettings@brockington.leics.sch.uk)) or 0116 286 3722 for availability and prices.*



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★ 4.00 pm - 7.00 pm ★

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50p

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