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## Brockington Bulletin June and July 2017 Edition



Mr Chris Southall,  
Principal

As we approach the college summer holiday period, I would like to thank all parents and carers for their support over the academic year.

We have now said goodbye to our first ever Year 11 cohort and they went out with a bang at the Year 11 prom held at Sketchley Grange in Burbage. We wish them well in their future and look forward to seeing lots of happy faces at results day. We received countless written and verbal thanks from Year 11 parents, carers and pupils. Thank you to those that took the time to do so as it means such a lot to members of staff.

The school play this year was Sweeney Todd, which was performed over three nights. What performances they were and I am in awe at the talented youngsters and members of staff that prepared and delivered such a fantastic spectacle. Congratulations to all pupils involved and thanks to the members of staff that supported them, particularly Miss Styles, Mrs O'Hara, Mrs Hawthorne and Ms Broadfield from our outstanding Performing Arts Faculty.

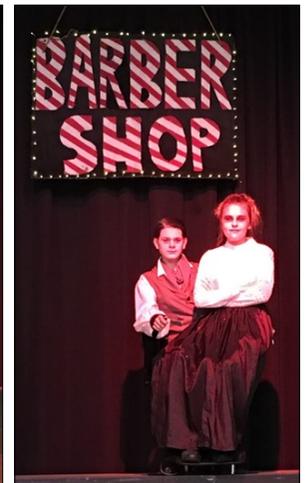
This week's whole-school event was our annual sports day. The competition was fierce across all athletic running events and particularly in the mass tug of war challenge. Thank you to Mr Platts and the PE Department for their organisation of the afternoon, but also for organising the throwing, jumping and hurdling events that led up to sports day.

As you will have read in my recent school uniform letter, we are determined to stamp out skirts that are too short, trousers that are too tight and jewellery beyond a small stud in each ear (and a small nose stud if in Year 9, 10 or 11). Could all parents/carers please ensure that you have read the letter and uniform policy (see website) and that your children comply fully with our rules. We wish to retain an affordable yet smart uniform, but we will have to move to a very formal uniform if we do not have your full support.

If in any doubt around school uniform requirements, please contact your child's Head of Year for clarification.

We also say goodbye at the end of the academic year to members of staff that are off to pastures new. I would like to express my thanks to all these members of staff. Particularly, I wanted to mention three members of staff who have been long-serving members of the college. Mrs Clark (Geography) is moving to teach 'A' level after over 10 years at Brockington. Both Mrs Dobbins (Head of Year) and Mrs London (Art) are retiring this year. They have both influenced many lives for the better during their significant periods of service to the college. They are both caring and passionate teachers and I know that some parents/carers will have personal memories of them from when they were a pupil at Brockington College. Thank you all for a job very well done and everyone at Brockington College wishes you the very best in the future.

Thank you again for your support throughout this academic year and I hope that you have an enjoyable holiday period as a family. We look forward to welcoming pupils back to school on Tuesday 29 August 2017 with arrival by 8.30 am.



Cast of Sweeney Todd

## End of Term Arrangements July 2017

School will close for the summer holidays at 12.40 pm on Thursday 13 July 2017. The school buses will arrive for this time and will depart at approximately 12.50 pm.

There will be the facility for any child to stay in school and be supervised in the library until 3.10 pm, although there will be no school buses at this time. Please contact the school office if you would like to make use of this facility.

Please note that there will be limited administrative support over the summer holiday period, so if you need to contact school, please be aware that a response may not be immediate.

Following the summer holiday, we look forward to seeing current pupils and our new Year 7 pupils at school on Tuesday 29 August 2017. If you have any questions regarding these arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Mr Southall, Principal

## Brockington College Day

Year 7, 8 and 9  
Monday to Friday

Year 10 and 11  
Monday to Friday

Tutor Period	8.40 am to 9.05 am	Tutor Period	8.40 am to 9.05 am
Period 1	9.05 am to 10.05 am	Period 1	9.05 am to 10.05 am
Break	10.05 am to 10.25 am	Period 2	10.05 am to 11.05 am
Period 2	10.25 am to 11.25 am	Break	11.05 am to 11.25 pm
Period 3	11.25 am to 12.25 pm	Period 3	11.25 am to 12.25 pm
Lunch	12.25 pm to 1.10 pm	Period 4	12.25 pm to 1.25 pm
Period 4	1.10 pm to 2.10 pm	Lunch	1.25 pm to 2.10 pm
Period 5	2.10 pm to 3.10 pm	Period 5	2.10 pm to 3.10 pm

## PE Transport for Away Fixtures

From September 2017 pupils will be asked to pay £2.00 for all away sports fixtures. This is due to an increase in the number of fixtures and the increased cost of transport.

Thank you

Mr Platts - PE Department

## Bike Locks - Pupils With Allocated Cycle Spaces at Brockington

Could the parents/carers of pupils with allocated bike spaces (cycle permit holders) please ensure that they take their bike locks home on or before the last day of term (Thursday 13 July 2017), as any bike locks left attached to the bike racks will be cut and removed during the summer holidays. Please inform the premises staff if you have any concerns regarding bike locks before the end of term. Thank you - Site Manager

Also all pupils will need to reapply for a cycle permit at the beginning of the autumn term, the list will be located in the main reception. Thank you - Mr Wilson

## Fire Safety at Brockington

In view of the recent and horrific fire at Grenfell Tower, I hope that the following information will reassure all parents.

The cladding used at Brockington is Trespa cladding, which has a 1-3 hour compromise burn time depending on the fire temperature and is specifically designed to be used on buildings such as schools and hospitals.

The company that supplied the cladding is an international company which supplies cladding world wide and their website can be viewed via the following link: <http://www.kingspanpanels.co.uk/why-kingspan/fire/>

On this website you can view test result from fire safety tests on the panels.

It should also be noted that we have state of the art fire alarms, heat sensors, smoke detectors and sprinklers. All systems undergo regular and recorded servicing and we have an annual visit by the fire brigade to review our systems and procedures, which have always been fully approved. We also have regular fire drill practices across the whole school, so that evacuation procedures are well known to both pupils and members of staff. These procedures are supported by evacuation posters in all classrooms, more than the recommended amount of fire extinguishers and emergency lighting/signage. Our team of fire wardens receive regular training and all members of staff have to sign to confirm that they have fully read and understand our evacuation procedures, which lead to evacuation from the building in two minutes and lining up/registration of all pupils in a further 5 minutes. As with the cladding, the building has been built to withstand fire and the stairwells, being concrete throughout, guarantee 30 minutes of safety in the event of a fire.

Mr Southall, Principal

## Important Catering Information



We would like to remind parents that pupils should not try to purchase food when they do not have enough money on their catering account.

Balances should be checked regularly. Pupils can check their balance using the loaders located in The Courtyard and parents can use ParentPay to see the balance on their child's catering account.

If pupils do not have the required amount of money for the food they have chosen at lunchtime, the food will be taken off them and they will be given a sandwich and a piece of fruit, which will need to be paid for the following day. Water fountains are in school so students can have a drink.

Pupils will not be able to purchase anything at break if they do not have sufficient funds.

Please help us to continue to provide an efficient catering service for our pupils by checking their balance regularly.

Mrs Sidwell - Catering Manager

## Dates for your Diary

Year 6 Welcome Day 1	Monday	10 July 2017	8.30 am
Year 6 Welcome Evening (Parent/Carers Only)			7.00 pm
Year 6 Welcome Day 2	Tuesday	11 July 2017	8.30 am
Year 7 - 10 Value Trips	Tuesday	11 July 2017	
Year 11 GCSE Results Day	Thursday	24 August 2017	
Open Morning (All prospective pupils, parents and carers are welcome)	Monday	25 September 2017	8.45 am to 9.45 am
Open Morning (All prospective pupils, parents and carers are welcome)	Tuesday	26 September 2017	8.45 am to 9.45 am
Open Morning (All prospective pupils, parents and carers are welcome)	Wednesday	27 September 2017	8.45 am to 9.45 am
Opening Evening (All prospective pupils, parents and carers are welcome)	Wednesday	27 September 2017	6.00 pm to 8.00 pm
Deadline for completing and submitting application forms for school places to the local authority - for Year 6 pupils	Tuesday	31 October 2017	

## Absence Requests in Term Time

Regular attendance at Brockington College is vital to each child's education and development. The school aims for all of its students to have 100% attendance and 'good' attendance is considered to be 96% or above with no unauthorised absences. It is for this reason that non-attendance (however short or infrequent) is treated seriously. In line with current legislation, the school policy is that a pupil's leave of absence during term time will only be authorised if proven exceptional circumstances apply.

Following the High Court ruling on 13 May 2016 (Isle of Wight case) and the recent Supreme Court Judgement on 6 April 2017, the Local Authority will be considering the contents of the judgment and confirming the Local Authority's position in light of this in due course. There are no changes to the guidance from the Department for Education and therefore, Brockington College will continue to notify the Pupil Services Court Team at Leicestershire County Council of unauthorised leaves of absence. At present, Leicestershire County Council considers each case on an individual case-by-case basis and decides on any further action.

If a child has an unauthorised leave of absence, Leicestershire County Council may issue a parent with a Penalty Notice of £120.00 **per parent, per child** (discounted to £60.00 if paid within 21 days) or the case could be referred by them directly to a Magistrates' Court for the purposes of criminal prosecution.

It is hoped that you will take serious consideration of the information outlined above and reconsider your plans to take an unauthorised leave of absence during school term time.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Mrs M Bullivant - Attendance Manager

## Lost Property

Items of lost property are taken to the main college reception. Named items can be returned to the rightful owner.

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.

## Car Access to Main Reception

If you are visiting the college by car, please park in the main Blaby Road car park and walk up the driveway to reception. Cars should only be driven up the driveway to the main entrance if disabled parking is required.

Thank you.

## GCSE Qualifications Are Changing

If you have children in Year 10 or Year 11, you will be only too aware that GCSE qualifications are being adjusted by the government. As opposed to A\* - G grades, our Year 11 pupils will gain a 9 - 1 grade in English and maths, Year 10 pupils a 9 - 1 grade in most GCSE subjects and all other year groups a 9 - 1 grade in all GCSE subjects. Grade 9 has a very top A\* equivalency, grade 5 is a lower B / top C equivalency and grades at 5 and above are known as a 'strong pass', grade 4 is equivalent to a lower C and known as a 'standard pass' and grade 1 is equivalent to a G grade.

Please do not worry if this is confusing. We explain all this information prior to the Year 9 option process and remind you regularly, as your children get older, about GCSE qualifications.

If you would like to read more about this matter, the government has published a short document to help you understand the new grades. You can read this document through the link below:

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/620547/GCSE\\_Factsheet\\_parentFormatted\\_1\\_.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/620547/GCSE_Factsheet_parentFormatted_1_.pdf)

Mr Southall, Principal



## 2017/2018 Year 8 and 9 Immunisations

Please could parents/carers ensure that all permission slips for immunisations sent home from school throughout the school year are returned *whether you are giving permission or not*. This helps with administration on the day.

Thank you. **Mrs Childerhouse and Mr Setchell - School Health Co-ordinators**

## Emergency Inhaler Medication

We have a number of pupils in school that have been prescribed inhalers by their GP.

If, in the event of an asthma attack, you wish your child to be given an emergency inhaler please would you complete the emergency consent form, which is on the school website.

It is also important that:

- Pupils carry their inhalers with them at all times.
- Inhalers are labelled with your child's name.
- Expiry dates are checked regularly.
- You consider providing a spare inhaler to be kept in the First Aid room.
- Inhalers are taken by pupils to PE lessons (a small labelled container may help to prevent any loss of items).
- Inhalers are taken by pupils on any school trips.

If you would like further information or are unsure of procedures, please do not hesitate to ask our School Health Co-ordinators: **Mrs Childerhouse and Mr Setchell 0116 2863722**

## Risk Assessments

Following an injury or a period of illness, your child may require a risk assessment prior to returning to college. Please call the School Health Co-ordinators to discuss this and if appropriate, to arrange an appointment for a risk assessment. This then ensures that all necessary health and safety measures are put in place to best support your child. **Mrs Childerhouse and Mr Setchell - School Health Co-ordinators**

## Emergency Contact Details

Please ensure that your contact details are always kept up-to-date and if possible add alternative contacts, such as a work phone number, so that we may get hold of you in an emergency.

Any new details should be provided to: *Mrs Barnes telephone: 0116 2863722  
or Email [jsb@brockington.leics.sch.uk](mailto:jsb@brockington.leics.sch.uk)*

## E-Safety

The following article was produced by Leicestershire County Council education authority and was circulated to all schools. We spend time in school talking to and teaching pupils about safety, but clearly parents also need to be aware of the dangers that could be facing their children. Please do read the article below:

### E-Safety Surveys

In February 2017, 5,500 Leicestershire pupils took part in the Year 6 and Year 9 e-safety surveys. It was startling to discover that the percentage of Year 6 children who have a profile on social media jumped from 50% to 70% in just 12 months. It has become clear that this age group are abandoning older sites like Facebook and Skype in favour of a new generation of apps like Instagram, Snapchat, Yellow and ooVoo. But some of these bring with them additional safety concerns.

Take "Yellow" for example. This used to be a colour! Now it's a "virtual flirting app" aimed exclusively at children. "Tinder" is a dating site for adults where a photo of a potential match can be swiped left or right. If two people both swipe right contact details are swapped. "Yellow" works on exactly the same principle but it can be aimed just at under 18s. A match would mean that Snapchat details are shared. Clearly it would be very easy for an adult perpetrator to pose as an under 18 using any photo and be put in direct contact with children. A large number of children in the survey said that they used this app. ooVoo is another one that is becoming popular with children. It enables up to 12 users to video chat in high definition. Local Police have warned that paedophiles try to get themselves added to conversations between children.

The truth is that all the social media apps carry risks for children and the key messages are:

- talk to pupils
- be honest about the risks
- build their resilience and teach them about privacy settings and blocking
- make sure they know who they can turn to for support if things go wrong
- parents also need to be more aware.

## Voice It

We have been running our successful 'Voice It' system since 2012. 'Voice It' was launched after an Anti-Bullying Survey that we completed showed that students felt that it was not easy to register a concern or report bullying to adults, both at home and school. One reason for this was that they did not feel brave enough to have the conversations face to face and felt it a very daunting idea to have to sit and discuss their worries.

Our system can be anonymous or students can leave names. It makes it easier for pupils to log concerns about bullying, anti-social behaviour and any other concerns they may have in and around the college. The system has proven to be highly effective and is used on a regular basis. Students can use the 'Voice It' boxes outside of the Pastoral Office or in the library. Alternatively they can use the online form accessed through the school website. Their concerns are then passed to the relevant Head of Year and Pastoral Manager to deal with and resolve the issues.

### Summary of Issues this Year

Peer Issues      2                      Dealt with by Head of Year/Pastoral Manager

To find out more or log a concern, please visit the school website or the following link: <http://goo.gl/j4Sl4n>  
Miss Heggs

RS News

## Non-Uniform Day - Wednesday 12 July

On Wednesday 12 July we will be holding a non-uniform day to raise money for Reality Youth Project who work in partnership with Church, Schools and Communities (including Brockington) to make a positive difference in the lives of Young People across Leicestershire.



The money raised will assist in their many projects as well as funding the Reality Bus at Brockington each Tuesday lunch time.

See the following website for further details: <https://www.realityyouthproject.co.uk>

The Compassion Committee

## RS and Science GCSE Summer Scheme



The Brockington Religious Studies and Science GCSE Summer Scheme

Over the summer, some selected Year 9 pupils will take part in a cross-curricular GCSE Religious Studies and Science Summer Scheme. The pupils will complete two workshops and a variety of activities over the summer to assist them in their preparation for GCSE examinations in 2019.



If your child is in Year 9 or Year 10 and would be interested in taking part in the scheme, please email [amc@brockington.elics.sch.uk](mailto:amc@brockington.elics.sch.uk) for further details.

Mrs McKenzie



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### Resilient Religious Studies Students!

**Year 7s** have been studying Sikhism and the different gurus responsible for the creation of Sikh beliefs. Students got in touch with their spiritual side when they decided to meditate and try to imagine themselves being lost in the river of God, as Guru Nanak was!

**Year 9s** have begun to look at their second religion at GCSE level: Buddhism. They have worked incredibly well to pick up new vocabulary in the Pali and Sanskrit languages as well as understanding the Buddha's enlightenment – well done!

**Year 10s** have now finished studying their two religions at GCSE level: Christianity and Buddhism. The Year 10 cohort showed true perseverance and compassion (*karuna*) in perfecting their essay writing skills and by keeping an open mind to the beliefs of others – all whilst remaining true to the school values too!

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## Term Dates

	2016-17	2017-2018	2018-2019
<b>Autumn Term</b>			
School Opens		29 August 2017	30 August 2018
Mid-term Break		16 - 20 October 2017	15 - 19 October 2018
School Closes		20 December 2017	Friday 21 December 2018
<b>Spring Term</b>			
School Opens		9 January 2018	Tuesday 8 January 2019
Mid-term Break		12 - 16 February 2018	18 to 22 February 2019
School Closes		23 March 2018	Friday 12 April 2019
<b>Summer Term</b>			
School Opens		9 April 2018	29 April 2019
May Day		7 May 2018	6 May 2019
Mid-term Break		28 May - 1 June 2018	27 May to 31 May 2019
School Closes	Thursday 13 July 2017	Friday 13 July 2018	Thursday 11 July 2019

## Arts Award

Congratulations to the 16 pupils who took part in the Arts Award under the guidance of Mrs Hawthorne.

The students worked really hard on their projects which allowed them to explore many different areas of the creative arts. Workshops took place every Tuesday after school with Mrs Hawthorne

We are very proud of the pupils and their commitment to the arts.

Mrs Hawthorne



*Interested in Science and want the chance to explore something interesting for yourself?*

*When: Tuesdays afterschool.*

*Who: Year 7 and 8 participants, Year 9 and 10 as mentors.*

*Why:*

- *Take part in a sustainable future competition with £500 prize*
- *Great experience for your CV*
- *Gain a CREST silver or bronze award*
- *Meet successful people working in the STEM industry*

*Register your interest with C Bearne in 106 or email [crb@Brockington.leics.sch.uk](mailto:crb@Brockington.leics.sch.uk)*

## Achievements

### Designers of the Month June 2017

Every month the Design Department selects a student from each year who has shown exceptional creative and design talent.

This month congratulations go to:

Year 7	–	Jessica Windram	- Textiles
Year 8	–	Amelia Plant	- Textiles
Year 9	–	Ellie Spencer	- Textiles
Year 10	–	Jack Cave	- Resistant Materials

### Science Superstars June 2017

Catelin Bennett	8C	Ellie Stewart	8O
Lewis Wright	8O	Liberty Brown	8O
Samuel Addy	8C	Jackson Shilcock	8B
Reuben Boston	8C	Ethan Brooks	8C
Dan Stuchbury	8C	Hannah Walton	8R
Penny Marshall	8B	Millie Saunders	8O
Chloe Simpson	8R	Eliza Nicholson	8R
Lilly Dent	8B	Harry Eames	7B
Thomas Bailey	7R	Olivia- Rose Percy	8N
Robbie Merry	8N		

### Brockington Masterchef 2017

The hottest June day for over ten years and our competitors were sweltering at 34°C in the food room yet all managed to produce a two course meal. We must mention that Kane decided a 'Hot Pot' should be the dish of the day!

Judging this year was extremely tough. We brought in Rebekah Braker from our Year 11 leavers as she has entered every single cooking completion since Year 7 and it was deemed only correct that she would have the position of official judge.

The final three places were only separated by points. Katie Grocock was awarded third place and her chocolate fondant was exceptional; Ria Mackness produced a Beef Wellington as a main and a trio of desserts that blew us away as we have not had such technical work produced in such a short time. First place went to Megan Walls, her risotto was the creamiest and most flavoursome that all judges had ever tasted.

The Design Technology Department would like to thank Kane, Katie, Elinor, Ellie, Toby, Megan and Ria for making such a range of fabulous food.

Mrs F Clarke and Miss S Leedham



## Forest of Dean May 2017

### Year 8 History and Geography Forest of Dean Trip

Once again, forty four Year 8 pupils and five members of staff embarked on the three day residential educational visit to the Forest of Dean between Monday 22 May and Wednesday 24 May. 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 solving 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 a great effort into their costumes for the traditional medieval banquet.



I would also like to thank all staff (Mrs I Clark, Mrs Liquorish, Mr Elkins 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 Wright - Head of Year 7

### Bletchley Park

On Friday 23 June, 23 Year 9 students visited Bletchley Park, the site of the famous code breakers who successfully intercepted German radio communications during the Second World War. In the morning, students undertook a workshop, allowing them to decipher, use and break various codes similar to workers at the time. They were also given a demonstration of the enigma machine. In the afternoon, they were taken on a guided tour of the site explaining the historical significance of certain buildings and discussing the important role Bletchley played in WWII.



This cross-curricular trip provided students with an experience of the working conditions of code breakers and an insight into how these secret mathematicians managed to bring about an early end to the war. Miss Wells - Maths Department

### Rutland Water Nature Reserve

On Thursday 29 June a group of Year 8 students went to visit the ospreys at Rutland Water Nature Reserve. It was a rather damp and grey day, but that did not dampen our spirits as we made our way for the third annual visit.



On arrival at the Nature Reserve, the students were given a talk about the ospreys and how they were introduced to Rutland over twenty years ago. They also learnt about the system used to identify the birds, and then made their own 'ring' to keep. We walked to the viewing hides to see the birds using binoculars and telescopes, where many students took some excellent photos using the telescopes. Believe me, this is not easy, but they got some great images! After the walk back to the center and some lunch, the students then learnt about the different animals and plants around the reserve and how they interact with the ospreys.

They all impressed with their GCSE-level knowledge, so hopefully they will remember their trip in three years' time ready for exams! Miss Jameson - Science Department

### Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

Throughout the year over 100 pupils in Year 10 and 11 have been working towards completing their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award. As part of the completion of the Award pupils have participated in expeditions which include: hiking; cooking on camp stoves; pitching tents and sleeping overnight at a campsite. These expeditions have taken place at both the John Lees Wood campsite near Markfield, and the Fox Covert campsite near Newbold Verdon. All of the pupils on the expeditions have performed admirably, overcoming the hardships of carrying their rucksacks on a six hour trek on the Saturday, and having to then cook their own meal on Saturday night. The pupils then faced the further challenge of getting up early on Sunday morning to cook their own breakfast before repacking all of their kit and setting off for another 6 hour(ish) walk.



At the time of writing, the majority of pupils had completed their expedition section for the Award, and had their expedition assessed by a qualified person. Our expedition assessors have been very complimentary about the standards maintained by the groups in terms of their personal navigation and camping skills.

We wish the best of luck to those pupils in Year 11 that have worked towards completing the Award, and congratulate Charlotte Faulkner, Megan Hill, Cara Mackness, Mia Murphy, Gabriella Norton, Oliver Sibbick, Olivia Starie, and Cameron Veitch on their successful completion of all four sections of the Award. Mr Mattock

# Performing Arts

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 to learn a musical instrument. If you are interested in booking lessons for your child, please contact the teacher of the instrument you are interested in. 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)

Instrument	Name of Teacher	Contact Details
Flute	Ms Teresa Bexon	01455 239373   07791 456054   <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 <a href="mailto:mylittlehomie@hotmail.com">mylittlehomie@hotmail.com</a>
Guitar (electric/bass/classical)	Mr Dave Jobson	07948 402728   <a href="mailto:davidmusicroom@gmail.com">davidmusicroom@gmail.com</a>
Singing	Ms Sarah Woodall	<a href="mailto:saz.woodall@ntlworld.com">saz.woodall@ntlworld.com</a>
Clarinet/Saxophone	Mr Patrick White	<a href="mailto:patrickjwhitemusicteacher@hotmail.co.uk">patrickjwhitemusicteacher@hotmail.co.uk</a>
Brass	Geoff Newman	<a href="mailto:geoffnewmanmusic@talktalk.net">geoffnewmanmusic@talktalk.net</a>
Violin/Viola	Ms Sally Smith	<a href="mailto:sasviolinviola@hotmail.co.uk">sasviolinviola@hotmail.co.uk</a>
Music Technology	South East Creative Arts	07545848841 <a href="mailto:southeastcreativearts@gmail.com">southeastcreativearts@gmail.com</a> ( <a href="http://southeastcreativearts.co.uk">southeastcreativearts.co.uk</a> )
Percussion	Mr Kieran O'Riordan	<a href="mailto:korpercussion@hotmail.co.uk">korpercussion@hotmail.co.uk</a>
Violin, Flute, Piano	Ms Alison Gates	07720 061856   <a href="mailto:ajprintmusic@hotmail.co.uk">ajprintmusic@hotmail.co.uk</a>

## Sweeney Todd

Congratulations to the cast and crew of Sweeney Todd. The show was an amazing success and thoroughly enjoyed by all who came to watch. The sinister story of The Demon Barber had a brilliant cast and to top it all off, the teachers put in a huge amount of effort and time to ensure the performance was outstanding. The show was so popular that on the last night, 186 people were in the audience. Thank you to all who helped: the teachers, the tech crew, the backstage crew and the cast.



'Having the opportunity to be part of such an incredible show, has been the highlight of our year. Sadly, this is our last show we will ever be in at Brockington, however we have had the best time and made so many new friends. We are very lucky to have worked with such a talented bunch of people.'

Daisy Nicholson – *Adolfo Pirelli* and Saffron Bateman – *Mrs Lovett*

## Orchestra Day

A number of pupils attended an orchestral workshop at Wigston Academy with a number of other schools from the South Leicestershire area. They rehearsed in sections and then performed a concert to parents, with repertoire including 'Viva la Vida', Stravinsky's 'Firebird' and 'Thriller' by Michael Jackson! This was a wonderful opportunity for pupils to play in a larger ensemble with a huge number of other players, and, despite the heat, a great performance was put on by all.

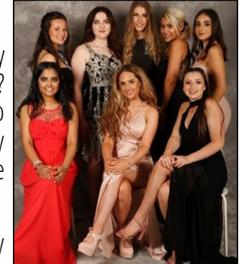
Mrs O'Hara

# Year 11 Prom 30 June 2017



The Year 11 Prom took place on Friday 30 June 2017 at Sketchley Grange, Burbage. Wow! What can I say about the Year 11 Prom? The children who started in Year 7 have blossomed into wonderful young men and women. They all looked absolutely stunning, with the boys looking very dapper and the girls the height of elegance.

Natasha Bourne and Elliott Walker were voted 'all round nice guy and girl' by their peers.



A great night was had by all, a fabulous way to celebrate the end of their time here at Brockington.

Mrs Dobbins - Head of Year 11

## Tudor House Win Again!

Another successful inter-house bake off took place on Monday 3 July. The standards were brilliant yet again. Stuart house only consisted of Year 7 pupils and they held their own against the other teams.

Tudor beat Windsor by only one mark, this was down to the most amazing homemade Parma ham bread and wonderful light shortbread in particular. Thank you to all the teams and to the judges who have now all eaten too much!



Mrs F Clarke



## The Great Brockington Bake Off

The Great Brockington Bake Off happened on Wednesday 28 June. Eighteen members of staff took part and baked wonderful cake creations.

The winning baker was Art teacher Helen Phipps with a Victoria Sponge. Just over £200.00 pounds was raised for the Shine Trust – an educational charity which supports disadvantaged pupils in the UK.



Many thanks to our bakers and cake eaters for all your donations!

Mrs Liquorish

## Track and Field Cup

### Leicestershire First Round (11 May)

Four Brockington teams took part in the competition at Saffron Lane athletics stadium. There were many impressive individual performances and the Junior Boys team narrowly missed out on winning their competition losing out by one point to Wigston Academy.

The results are shown below. Included are those pupils who achieved the highest point scores in their best event

### Junior Boys Second - 308 points (First Wigston Academy 309 points)

Lachlan Finch	22 points (4:44 minutes in the 1500 m)
Joe Bourne	21 points (28.96 m in the Javelin)
Jack Garrity	17 points (9.64 m in the Triple Jump)

### Junior Girls Fifth - 207 points (First Loughborough High 318 points)

Maddy Squires	21 points (5:24 minutes in the 1500 m)
Chloe Bailey	18 points (2:50 minutes in the 800 m)

### Intermediate Boys Third - 323 points (First Loughborough Grammar 331 points)

Joe Thorne	25 points (39.2 seconds in the 300m)
Eliot Morris	19 points (1.59m in the High Jump)
Cameron Hamill	19 points (25.3 seconds in the 200 m)
Josh Saunders	19 points (13.2 seconds in the Hurdles)

### Intermediate Girls Third 210 points (First Loughborough High 264 points)

Lois Pickering	20 points (22.75 m in the Javelin)
Alice Kilby	14 points (4.14 m in the Long Jump)

The Junior Boys team qualified for the Regional 'B' final for finishing in second place

### Midland Regional Final (12 June)

15 boys travelled to Solihul for the Regional final and produced a very creditable third place out of the eight teams from the Midlands who contested the event. We narrowly missed out on second place by 3 points and were only 10 points behind the winners the Royal Grammar school, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire. Lachlan Finch showed fine form again by finishing second in the 1500 m and Joe Bourne fresh from his win in the County Sports spearheaded the Brockington team effort winning the javelin with a throw of 33.35 m. Zak Hiscott in the 300 m and Drew Henry in the high jump were the next highest point scorers for the team.

### Full Results (Out of Eight Teams)

First	Royal Grammar school, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire	368 points
Second	St Bedes Catholic Middle School, Hereford	361 points
Third	Brockington College	358 points

## Area Sports

The Area Sports took place at Saffron lane on Friday 26 May. We had eight teams taking part and all teams did very well. At Key Stage 3 the Year 8 boys and Year 10 boys teams won their competitions and the Year 9 boys, Year 9 girls and Year 10 girls finished second out of the seven teams. We had twenty-one Area champions and both the Year 8 and Year 9 boys relay teams won their events.

Brockington's Area Champions are shown below:

### Year 7

Ellis McBean	100 m	Nate Mills	Hurdles
Alicia Bromwich	200 m		

### Year 8

Drew Henry	High Jump	Tom Charles	Discus
Joe Bourne	Javelin	Maddy Squires	1500 m
Molly Long	High Jump		

### Year 9

Tom Gibbons	800 m	Charlie Combey	1500 m
Josh Saunders	Hurdles	Joe Thorne	300 m
Jake Wray	Long Jump	Alice Kilby	Long Jump
Amber Saqladi	High Jump		

### Year 10

Tawanda Mutoti	Shot Putt	Quinn Johnson	Javelin
AJ Lee	Long Jump	Eliot Morris	High jump
Eve Newman	Discus	Chloe Campbell	Shot

**Team Results:** Year 7 Boys Third  
Year 8 Boys First  
Year 9 Boys Second  
**Key Stage 3 Boys Overall First**

Year 7 Girls Fourth  
Year 8 Girls Third  
Year 9 Boys Second

**Key Stage 3 Girls Overall Second**

Year 10 Boys First  
Year 10 Girls Second

**Key Stage 4 Overall First**

## County Sports

The County Sports were held on Saturday 10 June. Brockington had four County Champions and fourteen athletes who qualified or made it through to finals.

Joe Thorne won the 300 m just outside his personal best and there were also wins for Lachlan Finch in the 1500 m, Josh Saunders in the Hurdles and Joe Bourne in the Javelin. Joe, who is in Year 8 beat all the Year 9s to become County Champion with a throw of 36.96 m.

### Full Results are shown below (Under 13 - Year 7)

Lachlan Finch	First	1500 m
Zac Smithson	Eighth	800 m
Nate Mills	Sixth	Hurdles

### Under 15 (Juniors Years 8 and 9)

Paige Shilcock	Ninth	800 m
Maddy Squires	First	1500 m
Molly Long	First	High Jump
Joe Thorne	First	300 m
Tom Gibbons	Seventh	800 m
Charlie Combey	Eighth	1500 m
Josh Saunders	First	Hurdles
Tommy Hall	Ninth	High Jump
Joe Bourne	First	Javelin

### Under 17 (Year 10)

Eliot Morris	Fourth	High Jump
AJ Lee	Sixth	Long Jump

**Congratulations to all those pupils who have taken part and represented the school at athletics this year.**  
**PE Department**

## PE KIT

Pupils **MUST** 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.

# Sports Day Wednesday 5 July



It was a glorious July afternoon for this year's Brockington sports day. Tudor house were the winning house easily beating second place Plantagenet by 148 points. Stuart held off a late challenge from Windsor to finish in 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

School records were broken by Joseph Thorne (100m and 300 m), Alice Kilby (100m and long jump) both Year 9, Zak Hiscott (300 m) from Year 8 and Alicia Bromwich 200 m, Henry Cartwright 300 m and Lachlan Finch 1500 m from Year 7.

The Year 9 Tudor girls relay team also broke the relay record.

## Sports Day Results 2017 - Individual Winners (Maximum of 36 points)

**Year 7 Girls** Victrix Ludorum  
Charlotte Neale 30 points



**Year 7 Boys** Victor Ludorum  
Lachlan Finch 36 points

**Year 8 Girls** Victrix Ludorum  
Ruby Heath 33 points



**Year 8 Boys** Victor Ludorum  
Connor Alfred 29 points

**Year 9 Girls** Victrix Ludorum  
Charlotte Cleaver 36 points



**Year 9 Boys** Victor Ludorum  
Joshua Saunders 36 points

## Overall Team Results

1. Tudor 1474 points (40 House points)
2. Plantagenet 1326 points (30 House points)
3. Stuart 1281 points (20 House points)
4. Windsor 1168 points (10 House points)

Well done to all the competitors who took part in a great event. Mr Platts - Head of PE

# Sports Leaders

On Friday 23 June, Brockington College hosted a Key Stage 1 multi skills morning for our local primary schools. There were forty two Year 9 and 10 Sports Leaders who helped deliver the event. Without their help, commitment and enthusiasm such events would not be possible so a massive thank you to those involved. The feedback from teachers at the primary schools was incredibly complimentary about the work of these amazing Sports Leaders. Miss Wyeth



### Year 9

Megan Holt  
Khloe Glover  
Ellie York  
Unity Bryant  
Charlotte Cleaver  
Paige Shilcock  
Jessie Wright  
Tyrell Blake  
Hayley Cheesman  
Ella Wright

Erin Kellock  
Paige Shingler  
Charlie Combey  
Cameron Finch  
Melissa Jefferies  
Isabella Rawlinson-Matthews  
Lucy Monk  
Ghandi Hawa  
Kira Beadman  
Poppy Marriott

### Year 10

Harriett Barrington  
Thibaut Preston  
Eve Newman  
Eliot Morris  
Mya Bromwich  
Lydia Rankine  
Aj Lee  
Quinn Johnson  
Davina Gill  
Josh McCabe  
Sophie Bracey

Oliver Hart  
Faye Ward  
Dylan Parrish  
Molly Marshall  
Georgia Postlethwaite  
Callum Sowah  
Bailey Kitchen  
Madeleine Burnham  
Luke Coleman  
Megan Hubbard  
Chloe Campbell

## Leicestershire and Rutland Sports Awards

The Year 8/9 girls and Year 10 boys footballers all attended the Leicestershire and Rutland Sports Awards Presentation Evening on 4 July, to recognise their sporting achievements in this year's County Championships. Both teams had lots of support from both the pupils themselves and parents. It was a fantastic evening celebrating not just our achievements here at Brockington, but also those of the whole county.



Miss Frazer



## Community– Kash4Kenya



## Kenya Update

During May half term, three members of Brockington staff travelled to Mtwapa in Kenya to visit our sponsored school Sagail Nursery. Back in April 2012 Brockington staff and pupils bought a piece of land and started to build a school for the children in an extremely poor part of the Mtomondoni village. These children were not previously attending school as the 200+ class sizes in the government school made it not worth attending and they could not afford the fees to attend other private schools in the area. Over the past five years, staff and pupils have been busy fundraising and sending money over to the project to continue building and adding classrooms.

It was fantastic to be able to see first-hand the amazing work the money raised by Brockington pupils, staff and parents has done. The school now comprises of three completed classrooms and a fourth temporary classroom, a toilet block and a water collection tower. The pupils at Sagail and their staff were extremely welcoming and grateful for all of the help that Brockington have given to their school and providing them with a safe classroom to learn in and give them a fighting chance of escaping poverty.

The team wanted to share a few photographs with you, and pass on the thanks given to them from the teachers and students at Sagail Academy. They were very keen that when they returned to England they pass on their love, thanks and prayers to everyone at Brockington.

Brockington would also like to thank everyone who has supported the Kash4Kenya charity in any way, from being involved in the visits, donating money or items or time, or supporting our events in any way, which means more money goes direct to the school in Kenya. We definitely could not have achieved any of this without you! The plans are well under way for the next visit in July 2018 where a group of students will be going back to the schools to add more classrooms, decorate and teach some lessons at the school. It will definitely be a life changing experience for those involved. If you see any of them out in the local community please do support their fundraising initiatives, every penny makes a difference.

Miss Hegggs



## Recycle



Recycle and raise funds for the Kash4Kenya 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. Thank you to those who have contributed.

## Car Boot Sale at Brockington College

### Sunday 6 August 2017 - 8.00 am - 12.00 noon



Adults: 50p Children: Free

Stalls: £5.00 (Stall setup from 6.00 am) Although you may be able to just come along and have a stall on the day space will be limited.

Please contact **Klaire Wright** at Brockington College on 0116 2846118 or [clw@brockington.leics.sch.uk](mailto:clw@brockington.leics.sch.uk) to guarantee your space now.

## Community

## Artificial Grass Pitch

Our full size 3G pitch can be used for football and training for a range of sports and is fully floodlit and covered by CCTV. The rubber crumb pitch is available to hire any evening of the week, (where spaces in the timetable permit) for casual pay and play use, as well as weekly team training. The pitch can be hired by the third or in its entirety, (our thirds are approximately three times the size of some operators' small sided pitches). We also hire out the facility on Saturday and Sunday too if you need a surface that won't get muddy in winter! Whether you want a pitch for a one off football game or need a pitch to train on a weekly basis, we offer competitive prices and a state of the art playing surface to suit your sporting needs.

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

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## Charity Donation

Brockington College has donated one of the outdoor table tennis tables to a local Sikh temple. Guru Panth Parkash Gurdwara on Ashford Road were very pleased to accept this on behalf of the youth community project being set up by the young people of the local area. Their initiative to open up a youth club promoting spiritual values of community (koinonia), sharing, acceptance and learning matches the ethos and values of Brockington and we wish them the very best in their endeavour.

In return they invite anyone to come and attend the temple and share langar (free kitchen) if you ever choose or even pop along to the youth club and join in the activities.



## Adult Learning at Brockington



We offer a variety of daytime and evening classes for adults in the following curriculum areas: Health and Wellbeing, Arts, Languages, Skills for Life, ICT, Employability and ESOL.

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## James Thorpe is competing in the National Games in Sheffield



14 year old James Thorpe is looking forward to participating in his first Special Olympics.

James has been training with the Leicester Leys Special Olympics Gymnastics Group since he was six years old. He started competing in the last few years, winning medals at the 2013, 2014 and 2016 UK Downs Syndrome Gymnastics Championships.

James has made many friends at gymnastics and through gymnastics has developed his confidence and social skills, gaining much respect, admiration and support from his peers, local and wider community.

James is no stranger to the Special Olympics. When he was younger James presented winners medals at regional events in Boston, Lincolnshire, and in 2009 alongside Matt Hampson, James was privileged to lead out the Tannochside region at the Opening Ceremony of the Leicester Special Olympics!

Aside of gymnastics, James likes the creative arts, especially acting, drama and role play. He attends a weekly drama group, sharing his creative talents and getting involved in productions.

James also enjoys watching animated movies and spending time with his family, including his sister Ellie and cats Bungle and Terence.

James will be competing in the Junior Artistic Gymnastics for the East Midlands Region in this year's National Games in Sheffield.