



Brockington College

Learning to Live Life to the Full

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Brockington Bulletin January and February 2020 Edition



Sadie Batstone
Principal

I hope that our parents, carers and wider stakeholders enjoy reading this edition of the Brockington Bulletin. It has been a busy term so far, with lots happening throughout the life of the college.

Our Year 11 students are about to embark upon their final set of mock examinations, before they commence their final GCSE exams in May. At this very busy and pressurised time, I am impressed with their hard work and dedication to their studies. Revision classes are in full swing and are well attended. We hope also that the resources we provide, both throughout the school website and through google classrooms, prove a useful and effective resource for students and parents/carers.

We were pleased to welcome Alberto Costa, MP to the college in January. Mr Costa met with students and staff and spent time answering a range of questions that our young people had put together, about issues that matter to them. This was a wonderful opportunity for our students to make their voice heard and to raise questions and put forward their views, as members of our school and local community; I am grateful to Mr Costa for taking time to visit and to listen.

In addition to this, some of our Year 9 and 10 art students are also having a community impact at the shopping development at Fosse Park. Working alongside the Crown Estate (who own and manage Fosse Park), our students have had the opportunity to work with designers who will be creating a range of public art installations at the shopping park's new extension area. When thanking our students for their involvement, the Crown Estate commented that the students' input *'will form the inspiration for the final designs, therefore co-creating a space which will be enjoyed by many for years to come'*. This is a fantastic legacy for some of our young artists to leave. We look forward to seeing the final designs!

I hope that you will enjoy reading and learning more about the very many ways our young people are 'learning to live life to the full!'

Sadie Batstone, Principal



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Site security and parking at Brockington College

Gates around the college

Could all parents/carers and visitors please be aware that the gates around the college site are now automated. This is to ensure the safeguarding of students and staff. Please do not attempt to go through the gates if they are in the process of closing, allow them to run their cycle and then use the intercom system. The gates open at 6.30am and close at 9am every morning. They then reopen at 2.30pm to allow students to be collected. Upon leaving the site in a vehicle, please stop at the white lines and the gates will open automatically.

Parking in bus lanes in the main car park

If collecting students at the end of the day, please do not park in the bus and coaches section of the car park. This prevents buses from entering the site to collect students, and in turn causes a back log of traffic on to the Blaby Road.

Parking on double yellow lines in the main car park

Please also refrain from parking on double yellow lines.

Mr McDonald - Site Manager

Voice It

Voice It was launched after a Brockington anti-bullying survey revealed 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 their name. It makes it easier for students to log concerns about bullying, anti-social behaviour and any other concerns they may have, in and around the school. The system has proved to be highly effective and is used on a regular basis. Students can use the 'Voice It boxes' outside of the pastoral office room 018 or in the library, or 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.

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

Summary of issues: January and February 2020

Student report of bullying	2	Dealt with by head of year/ pastoral manager
Parent requesting advice on anonymous cyber bullying	1	Responded to by head of year/ pastoral manager

Mrs Underwood - Pastoral Manager

MP visit inspires students to find their political voice



The college was honoured to welcome Alberto Costa, MP on Friday 24 January 2020. There were a range of sessions, talking students through Mr Costa's role within the House of Commons, how voting in the UK works and giving students the opportunity to put their own questions to the local MP about his responsibilities on both a local and national level. This was a fantastic opportunity for all students involved.

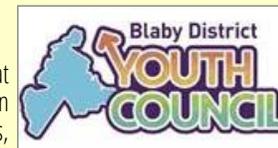
Meeting with a number of students either for an informal chat over coffee or taking their hard-hitting questions in Q & A sessions, Mr Costa took the time to talk through his views, his background before coming to politics and the topics that he felt were high on the agenda for him. Explaining the Latin origins of the word democracy, translating as 'people power,' Alberto spoke passionately about his obligation to the people, but most of all, his strong desire that all young people exercise their right to vote.

Mr Costa also discussed local projects such as the extension of Fosse Park. Students were keen to hear about the new stores coming to the extension, including Nandos and TK Maxx. Many thanks to Alberto and his assistant for an informative and insightful day!

Miss Sacranie - More and Most Able Coordinator

Blaby District Youth Council Conference

On Friday 31 January, 15 Year 8 students were accompanied by Ms Broadfield and Mr Smith at the Blaby District Youth Council Conference. Students participated in a variety of activities in order to gain a unique insight into what the Blaby Youth Council does and how it operates, encouraging active citizenship within the local community. Students took part in team building activities, knife crime focus groups, discussion forums, meetings with the councillors and much more.



'Hello! I'm Katie and I went on the Youth Council trip. We found out many things about what the council does and their opinions on the community. We talked about how the community is good and what it needs to improve upon. I think this is good because you get to express your opinions without getting judged and see your ideas become a reality. I am definitely interested in joining now!' Katie Heald 8R

Please do look here to find out more!

<https://www.blaby.gov.uk/children-young-people-and-families/young-peoples-services/blaby-district-youth-council/>

A fantastic day was had by all the students who attended, and those who helped to organise the day itself as existing members of the Youth Council. We were very proud of you all and so pleased that you have found a voice within your local community.
Well done! Ms Broadfield - PSHCE department

Reminder to parents/carers: Changes to personal details

Could parents/carers please notify the school via email: admin@brockington.leics.sch.uk of any changes to personal details such as home address, telephone number and emergency contacts. Thank you.

Attendance at Brockington College

Background

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. All students' attendance is monitored regularly and we will contact parents/carers if attendance is dropping or below expected levels.

Alongside attendance, we closely monitor punctuality to school and to lessons. Please may we ask you to remind your child that they are expected to be at school, ready to enter the building at 8.30am. All students then have 10 minutes to access their lockers, store coats and other personal equipment and be at their Period 1 lesson for 8.40am.

Procedures

As part of our attendance monitoring, we would like to remind you of a couple of daily procedures:

- If you have not contacted us to confirm your child's absence, you will be contacted via text to confirm that your child is off school.
- Due to safeguarding regulations, we need parents/carers to inform us of any absence on a **daily basis**. This can be done by telephoning our dedicated absence line (**0116 2863722, Option 1**) or through the school website (**Go to 'Parents' tab, then choose 'Report Absence'**).
- If you know your child will be absent from school in advance (for example, a forthcoming medical appointment), please complete the form on the school website (**Go to 'Parents' tab, then choose 'Report Absence'**).
- Please be aware that any contact regarding your child's absence will occur after 9.30am (after registration has closed). If we are unable to verify your child's absence, home visits may be undertaken to ensure the safety of your child.
- Please, whenever possible, arrange medical appointments **outside of school hours** – if your child arrives late after an appointment they will lose their morning registration mark.

In line with current legislation, the school policy is that a student's leave of absence during term time will only be authorised if proven exceptional circumstances apply. If a child has an unauthorised 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.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child's attendance at school, please contact Vicki Hazell, Home-School Liaison and Attendance Officer on **0116 2863722** or **vjh@brockington.leics.sch.uk**

90% attendance = Half day missed every week

1 school year at 90% attendance = Four whole weeks of lessons missed

90% attendance over five years of secondary school = Half school year missed

17 missed school days a year = one GCSE grade drop in achievement

Threshold attendance	Actual attendance	Whole days absent	Learning hours lost (incl. registration) over a school year	Approximate time lost over 5 years
100%	190 days	0	0	
99%	188 days	2	10.8	
98%	186 days	4	21.6	
97%	184 days	6	32.4	
96%	182.5 days	8	40.5	
95%	180.5 days	10	51.3	½ term
94%	179 days	11	59.4	
93%	177 days	13	70.2	
92%	175 days	15	81	
91%	173 days	17	91.8	
90%	171 days	19	102.6	½ school year
89%	169 days	21	113.4	
88%	167 days	23	124.2	
87%	165 days	25	135	
86%	163 days	27	145.8	
85%	161.5 days	29	153.9	¾ school year
84%	159.5 days	31	164.7	
83%	158 days	32	172.8	
82%	156 days	34	183.6	
81%	154 days	36	194.4	
80%	152 days	38	205.2	
75%	142.5 days	48	259.2	1 school year and
70%	133 days	57	307.8	1 school year and 1 term

Absence and achievement

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that absence has a direct impact upon final grades at GCSE. The above table indicates how much learning time is lost due to absences.

Mrs Hazell - Home School Liaison and Attendance Officer

	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
Autumn term			
School opens		Wednesday 26 August 2020	Wednesday 25 August 2021
Bank holiday		Monday 31 August 2020	Monday 30 August 2021
Mid-term break		19 to 23 October 2020	18 to 22 October 2021
School closes		Friday 18 December 2020	Friday 17 December 2021
Spring term			
School opens		Tuesday 5 January 2021	Tuesday 4 January 2022
Mid-term break		15 to 19 February 2021	14 to 18 February 2022
School closes	Friday 3 April 2020	Friday 26 March 2021	Friday 8 April 2022
Summer term			
School opens	Monday 20 April 2020	Monday 12 April 2021	Monday 25 April 2022
May day	Friday 8 May 2020 (Please note change of date)	Monday 3 May 2021	Monday 2 May 2022
Mid-term break	25 May to 29 May 2020	31 May to 4 June 2021	30 May to 3 June 2022
School closes	Friday 10 July 2020	Friday 9 July 2021	Friday 8 July 2022

National Young Mathematicians Awards 2019

Brockington College recently selected a team of four Year 7 students to compete in the second round of the National Young Mathematicians Awards 2019 at the Explore Learning Centre at Fosse Park, on Thursday 16 January 2020. The team comprised of Ben Robinson (7N), Tomasz Healey (7N), Ethan Potter (7R), and Tyrese Jackson (7I). The four students had been selected to represent Brockington College during round one of the competition, which took place during a session at the weekly Key Stage 3 maths enrichment club, in November 2019.

The Explore Learning Centre, who organised the competition, were really impressed particularly with the students' team work when faced with the mathematical problems they had to solve. Unfortunately, the boys did not get selected to be one of the five teams participating in the third and final round in London, but they were the best scoring team in Leicestershire! The mathematics department are thrilled with how well the team have performed.

Well done - Maths department

Key Stage 3 maths enrichment club

All students in Year 7 and 8 are welcome to attend the Key Stage 3 maths enrichment club, which takes place after school every Tuesday in Room 103, from 3pm to 4pm.

Congratulations to former student

Teddy Sharman-Lowe, who left Brockington College in June 2019, has just been offered a pro-contract at Burton Albion Football Club and has also just been called up to play for England U17 squad in Spain! Teddy has worked very hard to get this amazing opportunity.

Well done and good luck Teddy from all at Brockington College



Achievements

Designers of the month

Every month the design department selects students from each year who have shown exceptional creative and design talent.

This month congratulations go to:

Year 7: Isla Finch
Year 8: Paige Eggleton
Year 9: Ruby Voss
Year 11: Hannah Brown

Well done Design Technology department

Food and nutrition: Bright sparks in Year 7 and 9



(Year 7) Kyle Henderson
(Year 9) Freya Ross

Well done Design Technology department

Performing Arts rewards:

Star:

Sophia Jansons (11B)

Rising Star:

Katie Heald (8R)

Well done Performing Arts department

Leicestershire Rotary Club young chef competition



Having won the Brockington heat of the Rotary young chef competition in November, Year 10 student, Aayush Masani, developed a sweet and creamy mango mousse to finish off his menu. He worked very hard to cook the three courses; sushi with fish, which he had filleted himself, Thai green curry with homemade paste and the mango mousse for 20 members of the Blaby Meridian Rotary Club.

Aayush rose to the occasion working with Tony, a local chef, to produce these dishes for the members of the club that is sponsoring him through the competition. On 8 February, Aayush took these dishes to the district heats competing against 16 talented young chefs from across Leicestershire. His hard work and dedication paid off and Aayush won! He will go on to compete in the regional round in March, so we have our fingers crossed for him.

Well done - Miss Leedham - Design department



Feeling stressed about exams?

Do you feel you would benefit from learning some new strategies to help you deal with exam stress and anxiety?

The school counselling service is able to offer you a one-off session to help you develop tools that can help you get through the exam period

If you are interested and think this is for you, please speak to the pastoral team or email Mrs McPherson, the school counsellor, at km@brockington.leics.sch.uk

A session will then be arranged for you.

Stressed? Not able to sleep? **Scared?**
Poor appetite? **Unorganised?** **Confused?**

Safer Internet Day 2020



Safer Internet Day 2020 was celebrated across the college with the theme, 'together for a better internet'. Students participated in numerous activities and assemblies throughout the week.

In spiritual reflection, students watched a number of videos with tips for keeping safe online. They were then tasked with thinking about their 'digital tattoo' and

how they can remain sensible and safe online. In assemblies, Richard Balmer, curate at the Enderby Parish Church, asked the students to consider the effects of 'Instagram vs Reality' and to be wary of the ever-increasing threat of fake news. He challenged students to spend a week without social media – hoping to increase their engagement with friends by communicating in person.

What can I do as a parent to support my child?

We believe that the internet should be a place of opportunities for children and young people, where they can create, engage and share freely and positively. Parents and carers play a key role in supporting children to learn about how to stay safe online, and are usually one of the first people children turn to if things go wrong. Listening to your child will give you the best idea about how you can support them. The UK Safer Internet Centre have some [conversation starters](#) for those who aren't sure where to begin. We believe in keeping an open dialogue with your child, as parents/carers are usually the first person they will turn to if they need help.

We have a [dedicated E-Safety page](#) on our website which contains jargon busters, social media advice, useful links & even a 'ask an expert' service where you can get instant support from our in-house [CEOP](#) Ambassador, Mr Spencer, directly.

Mr Spencer - IT support



Performing Arts news

Wendy and Peter Pan. We are picking up the pace with our rehearsals for the school production of Wendy and Peter Pan with performances on Tuesday 24, Wednesday 25 and Thursday 26 March 2020. Together with our talented cast, we are enjoying the challenges of creating this visual piece of physical theatre. Tickets will go on sale shortly and we would love to see as many of you there as possible to support our amazing students.



Curve trip. The drama department is also looking forward to its trip to The Curve to see Frantic Assembly's new production 'I Think We are Alone'. Having been so influenced by Frantic's work for our school show, we are excited to see their newest production and to introduce our students to the company who's work they have studied in class.

Brockington orchestra and vocal group continue to rehearse tirelessly, every week, and as they continue to build up their repertoire. We are always working towards future shows and performances.

Performing Arts department



It is amazing to think our Year 7 students have been in the school six months. We continue to work with students to develop the key character strengths that underpin academic success and their happiness and well-being, as they prepare for a future in which they can 'live life to the full'. Every day we come across amazing examples of these values in action, and we are genuinely proud and humbled by our students.

Student A is facing some tough times but remains positive and is working with staff to problem solve for themselves.

7N have welcomed a new student and he is thriving thanks to their kindness.

Three Year 7 students have shown amazing positivity in being ready to learn and have achieved the most R1s in the school.

Mrs Lawrence - Assistant Principal



Library news



Brockington Book Fair 2020



In January, Scholastic publishers delivered three double cases of books to the school which were full of books aimed at all interests and ages. There were also stationery items and posters on sale. The three-day fair was well attended, especially by students from Year 7 and 8. For every book bought the buyer received a free raffle ticket. The winning ticket was drawn by Mr Marsden and belonged to Ben in Year 7. He won a £25 book voucher and was able to use it to choose books from the cases.

The goal this year was to equal the 2019 figure of £620. I am absolutely thrilled to announce that our final figure was £850! This was returned to Scholastic but because we made over £800, we were given 60% commission in book value which amounts to around 80 free books for the library.

A huge thank you to all students and to parents/carers who provided the money to buy books and other items, and therefore made it possible for the school to earn so many free books which can be enjoyed by current and future students.

The book fair would not have been possible without the help of 16 student librarians from Year 8 and 9, who gave up two or three lunch breaks to help out. I am very grateful for all the support they give, me not only at special events such as this one, but also on a day-to-day basis.

World Book Day

This year, Brockington College will be celebrating World Book Day a couple of days early with the visit of the author Matt Oldfield on Tuesday 3 March. He will speak to all Year 7 and 8 students in a special assembly and then run workshops for smaller groups throughout the day. He will also be available in the library after school to sign books.

All students will receive a voucher with which they can claim one of 20 free books (especially published for WBD 2020) or £1 off any other book at WH Smith, Tesco or Sainsbury's.

Mrs Elliott - Learning Resources Coordinator

House football and benchball results

House football results 2019-2020

Can be accessed on the link:-

<https://www.brockington.leics.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/House-football-results-2020.pdf>

House benchball results 2019-2020

Can be accessed on the link:-

<https://www.brockington.leics.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Girls-House-Benchball-results-2020.pdf>

Mr Platts - PE department

Girls basketball results

Year 10/11

Brockington College 11 - 44 Castle Donington College

It was a well fought game against a very tough opposition. Well done. Miss Russell - PE department

Girls football results

Year 7

Brockington College 8 - 0 Lutterworth College
Brockington College 3 - 1 Countesthorpe Leysland Community College

Brockington College 0 - 6 Thomas Estley Community College

Year 10/11

Robert Smyth Academy 0 - 7 Brockington
Brockington College 11 - 0 South Wigston High School
Brockington College 3 - 1 Thomas Estley Community College

Well done - Miss Russell - PE department

Cross country results

The Leicestershire Schools County Championships took place at Ratcliffe College on Saturday 1 February. We only had a small number of runners taking part, but they all performed very well. Seth Lawrance from Year 7 finished in a very impressive 2nd place in his first race for Brockington. Mackenzie Bloxham in Year 9 continued his fine season finishing in 3rd place in the junior boys race. He was supported well by Harry Rainbow (13th) and Benjamin Higginbottom (21st). Lachlan Finch in Year 10, ran a strong race to finish in 5th place in the intermediate boys race.

Congratulations go to Mackenzie and Lachlan, both boys will represent Leicestershire in the English Schools Cross Country Championships that take place in Liverpool in March and Seth who will also represent the county in the national finals at Prestwold Hall on Saturday 21 March.

Best of luck in those races – Mr Platts - PE department

Sports results

Team Leicestershire, Blaby & Harborough partnership (basketball)

Year 8

Brockington College	27	Thomas Estley Community College	16
Brockington College	27	Lutterworth College	18
Welland Park Academy	14	Brockington	16
Robert Smyth Academy	14	Brockington	14

Mr Platts - PE department

County cup 1st round (basketball)

Rushey Mead 24 Brockington College 4

Year 10

Brockington 28 The Kibworth School 5
Robert Smyth Academy 40 Brockington College 18

Year 11

Brockington College 52 Beaumont Leys School 28

Mr Platts - PE department

Team Leicestershire, Blaby & Harborough partnership (badminton)

Both boys badminton teams have had a great season this year. In the league, the Key Stage 3 team have won all six of their matches and the Key Stage 4 team have won five out of six. The Key Stage 3 team have won their league and now progress through to the county finals in March. The Key Stage 4 team narrowly missed out, finishing in 2nd place behind Leicester Grammar School. Congratulations to all the team players

Key Stage 3 team players were: Gabriel Davey, Oscar hall, Thomas Marshall and Harry Rainbow.

Key Stage 4 team players were Charles Bates, Charlee Keen, Oliver Potts, Zac Smithson, Harry Eames and James Dixon.

Key Stage 3

Beat Lutterworth College	8 - 0	Beat Lutterworth College	7 - 1
Beat Robert Smyth Academy	8 - 0	Beat Robert Smyth Academy	5 - 3
Beat Welland Park Academy	7 - 1	Beat Welland Park Academy	5 - 3
Beat Countesthorpe Leysland Community College	8 - 0	Beat Countesthorpe Leysland Community College	5 - 3
Beat The Kibworth School	5 - 3	Beat The Kibworth School	5 - 3
Beat Leicester Grammar	5 - 3	Lost to Leicester Grammar	6 - 2

Many thanks to all the parents who have assisted with lifts to the away fixtures Mr Platts - PE department
Breaking news Key Stage 3 team finished 2nd in the County badminton finals on 2 March 2020 - Well done

Team Leicestershire, Blaby & Harborough partnership (football)

All three Key Stage 3 boys' football teams finished as champions or runners up in the Blaby and Harborough League.

Year 7

Brockington College 1 Belvoir Academy 2

Year 8

Brockington College 1 English Martyrs Catholic School 1
(Brockington won on penalties)

Semi Final

Brockington College 0 St Paul's Catholic School 2

Year 9

Brockington College 8 The City of Leicester College 0

Semi Final

The Cedars Academy 1 Brockington College 2

Mr Platts - PE department

Geography news

Brockington students fight climate change

In December 2019, students from all year groups participated in tree planting across the Brockington campus. Students planted three hedgerows, an avenue of cherry trees and a wide selection of individual species at numerous locations. Most of these have even withstood storm Ciara without needing to be propped up! The trees were gratefully received as a donation from the Woodland Trust and will support us to not only increase biodiversity of flora on the campus but also to increase habitats for fauna. In addition, we are very proud of our efforts to contribute to the international goal of increasing carbon capture and storage. It will also support us in providing cleaner air to our school community.



Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 students at Brockington learn about the natural factors leading to climate change (such as volcanic activity, Milankovitch orbital cycles and sunspots) and the human factors that lead to accelerated climate change (such as deforestation, the use of fossil fuels, methane released as flatulence from livestock and emissions from bushfires). Students also learn about how some people may feel overwhelmed by the changes required to limit our emission of greenhouse gases but that small, simple changes like planting trees, increasing energy efficiency and conservation at home and work and using renewable sources of fuel to provide energy for homes, businesses, institutions and transport can all make a difference.



Upcoming fieldwork opportunities

The geography department is currently finalising details for the Year 11 fieldwork visit, to Bradgate Park, in late March 2020. We will study the concept of sustainable communities and qualitative fieldwork techniques, as per our GCSE exam specification this year. We are also working with Year 7 students, to introduce students to the concepts and techniques involved in fieldwork. Over the coming year, we intend to significantly increase the amount of fieldwork that students take part in, both onsite, locally and at distance. One of the more interesting local developments that we are investigating is the innovative natural flood defences that are currently being trialled at Narborough Bog. This scheme is part of a national trial of innovative techniques, developed by leading academics and the Environment Agency. A recent pre-fieldwork visit by Mr Molloy fortunately coincided with a visit by Leicestershire and Rutland Wildlife Trust Conservation Officer, Nathalie Cossa, who explained the scheme. In order to attempt to slow the flow of floodwater, the scheme has involved felling trees and fixing them in place directly over the river to form a natural barrier, damming existing ridge-and-furrow landforms to create smaller temporary water storage areas and stapling bundles of natural material, such as branches, to the ground to interrupt and redirect the flow of floodwater. The geography department is already working on plans to ensure that this innovative local approach to soft-management flood defences is included as part of our planned fieldwork expansion.

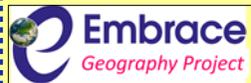


Geography on TV

There are a number of excellent geographically-themed documentaries currently available on the BBC iPlayer. Whilst we have displays around the geography department to encourage students to watch these programmes, we also would like to encourage parents and carers to watch them together, as a family, to support the learning in geography. We currently recommend:



Panorama climate change: what can we do? (29 minutes) *I lost my house to climate change* (8 minutes) *Horizon: 7.7 billion people and counting* (59 minutes)
Earth from space (4 x 58 minutes) *Seven worlds, one planet* (7 x 58 minutes)



Embrace geography project

The geography department has begun a consultation with primary schools within the Embrace Multi Academy Trust to examine how we can better work together to improve geographical education at all key stages. We are aware of the excellent learning that our colleagues at Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 already lead and have launched a survey to identify what we could offer to enrich this further. Some of the key areas where we may be able to support learning may be in offering enrichment activities at Brockington for younger pupils or demonstrating and loaning our shiny new fieldwork equipment to ensure pupils have the best possible exposure to the geographical enquiry process. Once MAT colleagues have responded, this will also be extended to all of our local primary schools to really ensure that we can work effectively together to support learning.



Geographical change over time

This photograph was taken in one of the villages where one of our Embrace MAT partner primary schools is located. Can you guess which one? Hint: *Basalt, granite*. For a full list of possible primary school/villages, please visit www.embracemat.org

Mr Molloy - Geography department

Careers

Careers and post 16 labour market information for Blaby can be accessed on the following link:

<https://www.llep.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Blaby-Area-Profile.pdf>

Apprenticeship vacancies in the local area can be accessed on the following link:

<https://tinyurl.com/vk5k53q>

The construction apprenticeship newsletter can be accessed on the following link:

<https://www.brockington.leics.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Apprentice-newsletter-2020-Issue-1.pdf>



Consultation evening dates 3.45pm to 7.30pm

Year 10	Tuesday 17 March 2020
Year 9	Tuesday 31 March 2020
Year 7	Tuesday 28 April 2020
Year 8	Tuesday 12 May 2020

Do you look after someone that you care about?

Do you look after someone that you care about?

Do you need support or just somebody to talk to? We can help.

Do you care for someone at home?

If you are providing unpaid ongoing care and/or emotional support for a family member who has a long term medical condition, problems with drugs or alcohol, a mental health problem or a physical/learning difficulty, and they couldn't cope without you, this means you are a Carer.

If you are a son, daughter, brother, sister or grandchild under the age of 19 offering this kind of support to a family member, this means you are a "Young Carer".

What might your caring involve?

Caring may involve practical help or emotional support such as being there for them when the person is sad/depressed, preparing meals, looking after siblings, dealing with bills/money, giving medication, doing the laundry, cleaning or shopping or helping them get dressed or go to the toilet.

Looking after the person that you care for is of course very important to you. It is also important to look after yourself.

There is help and support out there available to you.

Who can help me so that I don't rely on my children for care?

If your child is caring for you, you may feel guilty or stressed or even angry. This should not be the case as there is help available to you.

You may feel afraid to ask for help but this also should not be the case.

Leicestershire County Council are there to support you and your family. They can offer advice/guidance and can be contacted on:

Tel: 0116 305 0004 or

Email: adultsandcommunities@leics.gov.uk

Young Carers —support at school and your GP

Talking to someone at school can be difficult but if they don't know what you're going through, they can't help you. Find someone that you can trust—this may be a particular teacher or the school nurse—or there may be someone at your school who specifically helps young carers.

If you need to know who to talk to, there is a list of "young carer champions" at:

www.leics.gov.uk/young_carer

It is important to let your GP practice know that you are a young carer, as they will be there to listen and can help you (and the person that you are caring for) to get the help that is needed. It is also important to know that you are not alone.

Other support

When the amount of care becomes too much, there is a danger of the stress affecting your own wellbeing. This may affect your own health, other areas of your life including work or schoolwork and other relationships for example, with friends and family. It is just as important to look after yourself. There are some organisations on the back of this leaflet that are able to help.

You can also contact your GP surgery to speak to someone who can offer you advice, support and guidance – their contact details are overleaf.

USEFUL CONTACTS

Carers Trust
National young carers website
www.youngcarers.net

The Carers Centre/Support for Carers (VASL)
Support for carers in Leicestershire/Rutland
www.claspsthecarerscentre.org
www.supportforcarers.org

Carers UK
Support and advice for carers across the UK
www.carersuk.org

Barnardo's Carefree Service
Young carers' website
b.barnardos.org.uk/carefree

SIBS
For brothers and sisters of disabled children and adults
www.sibs.org.uk

Young Minds
Looking after young people's mental health
www.youngminds.org.uk

Childline
www.childline.org.uk

Leicestershire County Council Young Carers
www.leics.gov.uk



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