



June 2023

Dear parents and carers,

As we head towards the end of the academic Year, I thought it would be helpful to highlight all the various events and activities taking place in these final weeks.

Hygiene Bank

Firstly, I'd like to thank families for their contributions to the hygiene bank so far. This will be tremendous support to others at this time. We are now a permanent donation point and so please feel free to keep dropping in items to reception or send them in with children. Equally, we are also a distribution centre and so if you can benefit in any way from the items available then please complete [this form](#) at any time. The hygiene bank will send us the products requested on a regular basis so they can then be given to families.

Year 7 Consultation Evening 15 June

A reminder that Thursday 15 June is our Year 7 consultation evening. Families will now have details of the appointment times and how to link to the online service for the evening. If you have any questions, then do get in touch with us.

SIAMS Inspection 15-16 June

On 15-16 June we have our SIAMS Inspection. All Church of England and Methodist schools are inspected approximately every five years by a SIAMS inspector from the Church of England, although there has been some delay to our inspections due to Covid.

This inspection looks at our Christian vision and values and our effectiveness as a Church School. The inspector's name is Allyson Taylor, and we look forward to welcoming her to our school over the two days. Once the report is written it will be published, and the inspection findings will be shared with you. This will be approximately three weeks after the inspection. The report will celebrate all that is special about the school and will identify next steps that are helpful in the school's ongoing development as a Church school.

School Show 20-22 June

We are really looking forward to our school show, The Wizard of Oz, which is taking place Tuesday –Thursday 20-22 June. The show is always a highlight of the year, and I am grateful for the hard work of all the students and staff involved. Tickets cost £3.50 and can be bought through ParentPay. The show starts at 7pm each night and is expected to last approx. 90 minutes.

Year 11 Final Assembly and Prom 22-23 June

Our Year 11s have been superb throughout their exam season which is set to finish in the next week. We are so proud of how they have prepared for their final exams and how they have conducted themselves throughout. On 22 June at 9am the Year 11s will have their final assembly with us. As well as shirts and pens for signing, students may want to bring tissues with them for what will be, I'm sure, an emotional final assembly with us. (Please can students also return their locker keys on this day). Year 11s finish their time with us with their Prom that is taking place on the evening of 23 June at the King Power Stadium.



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Week Commencing 26 June - Year 10 work experience

For those Year 10 Students who have opted to take part they will be completing their work experience across this week. All other Year 10 students will be in school as normal. For our current Year 9 students, we will be providing all the information about this in the autumn term.

Parent Information Evening 27 June

On Tuesday 27 June at 6pm we are holding a Parent Information Evening. You may remember at the start of the year we held individual 'The Year Ahead' evenings for each year group, which we will be doing again in the autumn term. This information evening builds on that evening and aims to give parents an overview of developments that have taken place throughout the year, and future plans. Throughout this year, following our OfSTED inspection last year, we have continued in our efforts to build better communication with parents. This has included launching a monthly newsletter, starting a Friends of Brockington Group to proactively involve parents in the life of the school, and holding ongoing Parent Focus Groups which have really helped us gather feedback from parents and helped us formulate what more we could do differently. We have appreciated all the support our parents have given us in helping to move this forward. Already, in response to the feedback, we have continued to adapt the newsletter to provide parents with relevant information. We have continued to work on our social media strategy and have also employed a part-time marketing coordinator who has just started work with us. We are working with our middle leaders to consider how we can make the curriculum more accessible to parents so that you can proactively support at home, as many of you desire to do.

The evening will outline some more of this work. It will also provide updates across a range of areas, including building work we are having done over the summer. In addition, our Trust Leader, Sharon Mullins, and the Trust Director for Education, Laura McWhinnie will also be presenting on the ways in which the Trust supports all its schools and how it works with Brockington specifically.

Friends of Brockington AGM 29 June

For those who are already involved in this, you will know that our Annual General Meeting for FOB is due to take place on 29 June at 6.30pm. However, we are seeking more volunteers to become involved with the Friends of Brockington. The aim of the group is two-fold. Firstly, to organise a series of events throughout the school year that families and friends might attend, such as quiz night, and summer and Christmas Fayres. Secondly, to consider how we can support our community. Ideas we have considered so far are the setting up of a clothes bank, charity events that might be put on and how we might support those in need in the community. If you would like to get involved, then please email Helen Warner (PA to the Principal) on hwa@brockington.embracemat.org.

Year Group Awards Evenings 3-6 July

A new addition to our calendar of events is our Year Group Awards Evenings. Throughout this year we have increased the ways in which student successes (in their very many forms) can be celebrated. This has included highlighting students in the newsletters, the change from Rewards Points, to Values Points so that staff can nominate students when they have demonstrated any of our values, not just in their learning. We have introduced termly year group awards assemblies during the school day as well as the Brockstar awards for students in Years 7-8. We have introduced the weekly WOW Awards which have been well received by students and staff.

At the start of the year, we invited parents and carers to attend the Young Leaders' Awards evening where we were joined by the Bishop of Leicester and Loughborough as we celebrated students in Years 8-10 who had achieved this award through the demonstration of real leadership.

At the end of this academic year, we are holding an awards evening, which parents and carers can attend, for those students who have been nominated for an end of year award. We will contact those families directly to invite them in a couple of weeks' time should your child be receiving an award, but these are the dates for your diaries:

Year 7 – Monday 3 July 6pm

Year 8 – Tuesday 4 July 6pm

Year 9 – Wednesday 5 July 6pm

Year 10 – Thursday 6 July 6pm

Last week of Term 10-12 July

During the last few days of term, we have some exciting events taking place. Our new Year 7s will be visiting us for their transition days on 10-11 July. Equally, we have the end of year enrichment trips for the current Years 7-10 – details of which have been sent out separately. On the final day of term, we will be finishing at 12.30pm. Details will come out closer to the time, however parents will have received a letter about our Fun Run taking place on this morning. We are really excited about this, and staff have already started planning their costumes. Tutors have begun telling students about it and our Values in Action session this week will launch this more widely. We expect this to be a really lovely final event as students head off for their summer break and we hope to raise a great deal of money for Cancer Research at the same time.

I hope this gives parents a good overview of upcoming dates and events. These are alongside the ongoing Duke of Edinburgh training and expeditions that have been taking place, and our sporting events and final sports day (which has numerous dates in the diary as it is weather dependent!).

I really do look forward to seeing you at one of the many occasions outlined here. Towards the end of the term, I will contact you again and give you more details about the start of term arrangements, but just so that you have it in mind and for your planning, Years 7 and 11 will return on Tuesday 29 August and Years 8, 9 and 10 will return on Wednesday 30 August.

Yours sincerely



Sadie Batstone
Principal