

newsletter

The voice of Broadoak Academy

20 January 2023



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ACADEMY

Another calendar year is upon us, and I hope all of you have had a positive beginning to 2023! In these challenging times, I am very proud of the courage shown by our students, families and staff, who are working together to do the best for our young people and our community.

Since our return to school in Term 3, there have already been a plethora of events to mention and celebrate – Lunar New Year Assemblies, St. Giles Trust Visit, Into University Trips, Tender Workshops, Letter of Appreciation form our local foodbank for the generous donations of food from our students, Vocational Studies Intense Drop-Down Days, and of course, continued preparation for our school production – Mary Poppins! These are just some of the highlights of the first couple of weeks.

In this edition, there is a real focus on why our community is so important, with some examples of support that is available, as well as just how brilliant collaboration between local agencies and our school are. There is also a focus on careers and next steps which is important for all our students, but particularly our Year 11 cohort as they begin to plan their next steps.

Finally, I need to say how much of a pleasure and privilege it was to stand in front of our students and staff in their House Assemblies during the first few days of this term and welcome them back to school. I reminded all that they are in safe hands, amongst peers and adults who care deeply about each other.



Mr D McGilloway
Principal

#TimeCourageChoice #BecauseWeAreBroadoak #WeAreACommunity



News and Updates from Broadoak Academy...

Read on for news about what our students have been up to so far this term as well as upcoming events within our local community...

44kg of food donated to Weston Foodbank

Throughout December, tutor group 9C collected a reverse advent calendar which was donated to Weston Foodbank on the last day of term.

As a group they donated a whopping 44kg of food!

Weston Foodbank said they were amazed at the generosity of just one class of teenagers. **Well done 9C – house points for Chestnut!**





Broadoak Academy presents Mary Poppins Jr!

It is with great excitement that we can confirm that the two performance dates for Broadoak Academy's whole school production of Mary Poppins are:

Wednesday 8th March and Thursday 9th March 2023

Both performances will start at 6pm. Tickets will be on general sale via parentpay and the main reception from Monday 30th January priced at £5/adult and £3/child.

Our students have been working hard in rehearsals and we look forward to a supercalifragilisticexpialidocious showtime!

BROADOAK ACADEMY PRESENTS

Mary Poppins Jr

By: Disney and Cameron Mackintosh.

Dates:
Wednesday 8th March 2023
Thursday 9th March 2023.

Time: 6pm

Place: Main Hall

Tickets:
£5/adult £3/per child

On sale via ParentPay and Reception.

From Monday 30th January

Poster created by Max 7S



Year 9 South Bristol Youth Thatcher's Trip

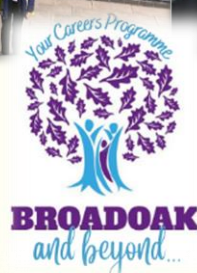
In the first of many South Bristol Youth trips this year, a group of 15 of our Year 9 students had a visit to Thatcher's Cider Makers in Sandford to find out more about all the amazing Careers within the company and their award winning Apprenticeship scheme, the Young Talent programme.

Thatcher's Cider offer apprenticeships fall under either their Cider Academy, so creating and making the Cider, operating the machines and processing, or their Brand Academy which focuses more on Business Administration, social media and Marketing. They had a full tour of the factory (no tasters!) and orchards and even got to see some new lines being produced.

Find out more about Thatcher's Apprenticeships and Careers at their

[Early Careers Open Day on Saturday 4th February 2023,](#)

[for more information visit: https://bit.ly/3iOs38a](https://bit.ly/3iOs38a)





Year 9 South Bristol Youth, The Food Works SW Trip

In the second South Bristol Youth trip, the Year 9 group headed to The Food Works SW, based on the old airfield in Weston Super Mare.

The Food Works helps local start up Food and Beverage services by hiring out professional kitchen and workspace, as well as rentable units to store their produce.

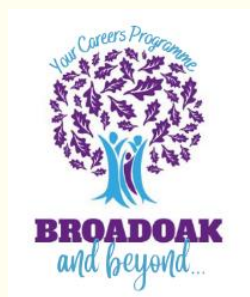
The session centred around 'Communicating with Confidence' something that the Year 9's will need if they were to start their own food and beverage business one day.

They had a tour of the building and saw the Bakery, Commercial and Drinks specialist kitchens. Then finished by learning how best to pitch and present in front of an audience.

South Bristol Youth Project said:

"A fantastic day with the brilliant cohort from [@BroadoakAcademy](#)

We learned all the skills needed for successful communication. It was great to see everyone getting involved and there was some amazing team work on display!"





Tender Workshops at Broadoak Academy

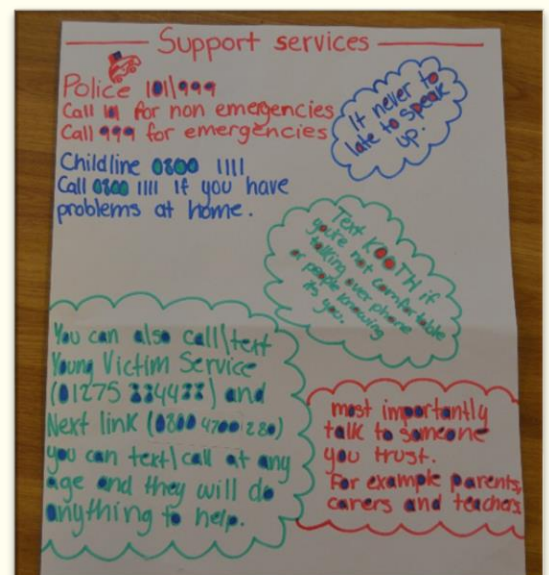
Written by Jake and Kora 9C

Last week, a group of Year 9 students worked with an amazing charity called Tender – a charity that are trying to end domestic abuse.

During the 2-day workshop project, we looked at healthy and unhealthy relationships and how people may feel and act in those different types of relationships. We also looked the 5 different types of abuse (physical, sexual, cyber, financial and psychological / emotional) and how people may also react and feel with those types of abuse.



We watched a short film about a girl who got pressured to send a sexual image and after we watched the film we had a discussion about signs of abuse that we saw in the film. We also worked with scripts and we made an assembly for the rest of Year 9 which we recorded. The scripts were different conversations, sometimes the characters argue or they have done something bad or it's a break up.



Once again a big thank you to Tender for coming to our school and telling us about their amazing organisation and thank you to everything they have done.

Tender representatives said *"We've been delighted to work with a group of Year 9 students at Broadoak. They've shown a great attitude to exploring quite a difficult topic. They've also worked well as a team, supporting each other and sharing their knowledge and ideas across the two-day workshop. Thank you also to the wonderful support staff who have made our visit so successful"*



Realising Talent Programme Year 10, Year 11 and Beyond...

Over the last year, Youth Connect Southwest, through the Realising Talent Programme, has been working with a small group of students at Broadoak Academy as they look forward to their next steps after Year 11.

The programme involves a mixture of group and 1:1 mentoring sessions each term. These sessions have included undertaking some fun challenges, thinking about key employability skills and support for the students while they searched and secured valuable work experience placements at the end of Year 10.



As they have moved into Year 11 the students have been able to chat through their options and have support to make those tricky decisions and applications for post-16 education. During the year the students have also had the chance to have sessions led by local employers including Persimmons Homes and most recently Chris from Babcock who the students were very engaged with as he explained the wide variety of apprenticeships at Babcock and the application process.



The students have been a great credit to the school and several of them participated in interviews with the Behaviour Insights Team from London who are undertaking research into career guidance from a national perspective.

As 2023 progresses, Youth Connect, through the programme, will continue to offer support for these students as they take their first steps beyond Broadoak Academy.



Are you a young person aged 13–16 with views to share?

If the answer is yes, then the NSPCC
would love to hear from you!



NSPCC Young People's Board for Change – Apply Now!

Recruitment is open until Monday 23 January and interviews will be held during February and March 2023.

NSPCC are looking for 15 young people from across the UK to join our Young People's Board for Change. The Board will share their views and ideas with decision-makers like NSPCC trustees, staff and politicians. Members will get involved in fun projects, take part in residential, meetings, and workshops to share what matters most to them.

Why should I join?

- take part in exciting new experiences and opportunities
- develop lots of new skills (we will give you training to support you with this!)
- meet other young people from across the UK who also want to make a difference
- get involved and make change happen at the NSPCC
- most importantly... Have lots of fun!

You can find a more information [on the NSPCC website](#) and Young people can apply by completing the form online at nspcc.org.uk/boardforchange



Reminder about Free School Meals and ParentPay



Free School Meals

If your child is entitled to Free School Meals they have a **daily allowance of £3.40** to spend at breakfast, break, lunch or all three. Any unused balance does not carry over to the next day.

Any spend over £3.40 per day would need to be paid for by the parent/guardian via Parentpay. You will have been given details to access this. A meal deal is £2.40 or items can be purchased separately.

We have a four-week menu and the current menu is displayed in our canteen.

If your child is not currently in receipt of free school meals and would like to see if they are entitled please visit

<https://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/my-services/schools-learning/local-schools/free-school-meals>

Please ensure that your child's Parentpay is Not in arrears as this could impact the service that we offer.

Any questions email:
parents@broadoakacademy@clf.uk

ParentPay is used to pay for school dinners, trips, revision guides, lockers and all other Academy activities. ParentPay offers you the freedom to make payments whenever and wherever you like, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - safe in the knowledge that the technology used is of the highest internet security available.

Please visit www.parentpay.com, click Login and activate your account using a unique code which you can request from the school. Your support by using ParentPay will help the Academy enormously, thank you.



Year 11 Blog and Period 7 Revision Timetable

Visit our Year 11 blog on the website for updates in the lead up to Year 11 exams including the Term 3 Period 7 timetable and weekly Top 10 Successes.

Year 11 are #SimplyTheBest

<https://broadoakacademy.clf.uk/blog/year-11/>

Y11 Period 7 Timetable – Term 3 (Core and Options)

	Week A		Week B	
Day	Core Revision: 3-4pm		EBACC Revision 3-4pm	
Monday	English English Literature – A4/A7 English Language Revision (in PSHE lessons)		MFL Spanish – E2 French – E3	
Tuesday	Maths Maths – B1 Further Maths – B3 Creative Arts – Invite Only (Ewing) Drama/Music - Invite Only (Drama studio)	 	Creative/Performing Arts Photography - E5/6 Art - E5/6 DT – E5/6 Catering – E6 Further Maths – B3 Drama/Music - Invite Only (Drama studio)	
Thursday	Science Science Foundation – G3 Science Higher – G4 Creative Arts – Invite Only (Ewing)		Humanities Geography – D History – D1 Creative Arts – Invite Only (Ewing)	
<p>Year 11 students are expected to attend at least 2 period 7 sessions per week between January and February; this will increase to 3 sessions after PPE 2 (March – GCSE Exams)</p>				

Y11 TOP TEN WC 9th January – 100% Attendance (1/3)

As you may know Broadoak is 100 years old this year! To celebrate this and the success of our awesome #SimplyTheBest Year 11 students every week we will choose the top 10 students and a category. They will receive a reward and 50 house points

Natalia K	Andrew H	Polly J	Dawid P
Lyla B	Heidi B	Amy B	Thomas O
Harrison C	Toby M	Those students with higher attendance can attain up to 4 grades higher than those with attendance less than 90%	

The above students have been awarded 50 house points each of their respective houses as well as chocolate from Miss Smith!

Year 11 Blog



Top 10 for 9th January 2023

Friday 13th January

Top 10 for 9th January 2023

[READ MORE](#)

Top 10 for 12th December 2022

Friday 13th January

Top 10 for 12th December 2022

[READ MORE](#)

See the Year 11 Spring Newsletter linked here!



Post-16 Events and Information - Year 10 and Year 11

Apprenticeships & Technical Education Roadshow

Evening for Parents and Carers

Wednesday 8th February 2023 5.45pm- 7pm

Location: Priory School (Open to all schools)

Apprenticeships have changed dramatically in the last few years and offer such exciting opportunities, but they can seem confusing to understand. These roadshows created for parents and carers, bust myths, inform, inspire and provide the answers you are seeking!

The West of England Combined Authority in collaboration with the Western Training Provider Network are embarking on a series of regional parent and carer roadshows to celebrate Apprenticeship and technical education pathways and all they can offer.

Apprenticeships
& Technical Education

Roadshow
For parents and carers

Interactive panel of expert speakers and guests to bust myths and answer your questions

Apprenticeships sound confusing – where do I start?

What types and levels of apprenticeships are there?

How do I support my child to explore apprenticeships?

T Levels – What are they? When do they start?

Degree apprenticeships, what are they?

How do apprenticeships compare to other forms of study?

Vacancies – are there many? Where do you look for them?

www.wtpn.org.uk

Our panel of expert speakers and guests will answer your questions and bust some myths.



Bridgwater & Taunton College - International Baccalaureate

**Wednesday 25th
January 6pm-7.30pm**

Bridgewater & Taunton College are hosting an International Baccalaureate Information evening on 25 January 2023, 6pm-7.30pm. The event is for academically curious students who are considering applying or have already applied to study the International Baccalaureate.

Weston College Upcoming Events

Thursday 09 February 2023 17:00 – 19:00 Apprenticeship Open Evening, an opportunity for school leavers to meet the Apprenticeship and Traineeship teams at South West Skills Campus, they will be on hand to answer any questions learners may have regarding CV writing, applications and interviewing for an apprenticeship.

A range of employers will also be attending the Open Evening, who will be looking for their next apprentices! Bookable via <https://www.weston.ac.uk/event/apprenticeship-open-evening-1>

Tuesday 14 February 2023 – Thursday 16 February 2023 10:00 – 14:30 FREE! February Half-Term Workshops, open to all Year 10 & 11 learners, across our 3 Weston College campuses, over 3 days of the half term. Learners will have the opportunity to experience a day within a chosen subject, see the facilities and meet the expert staff. Bookable via <https://www.weston.ac.uk/event/half-term-workshops-year-10-11s>

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
INFORMATION EVENING

REGISTER NOW!
www.btc.ac.uk

TAUNTON CAMPUS
25 January 2023, 6pm - 7.30pm

This event is for academically curious students who are considering applying or have already applied to study the International Baccalaureate.

We will help you understand:

- what to expect from the course
- progression opportunities
- career pathways.

To find out more and register, scan the QR code below:

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BRIDGWATER & TAUNTON COLLEGE



Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service

Did you know CAMHS have a website called Happy Maps which specialises in helping parents with children of all ages that have challenging behaviour.

It's called HappyMaps and more information can be found at www.happymaps.co.uk



Broadoak Alumni - Student Features in Mayor of London's Educational Campaign Video

Molly, who left Broadoak Academy at the end of her Year 11 in July 2017, has featured in a video produced by The Mayor of London. The educational video is part of a campaign against males' behaviour towards woman.

We are very proud of Molly for her part in such an important campaign. You can watch the video and find out more about the campaign at: www.london.gov.uk/have-a-word.



We are always thrilled to hear from our Broadoak Alumni about their achievements beyond Broadoak. If you were once a student at Broadoak please do get in touch by emailing enquiries@broadoakacademy.clf.uk



Local Workshops Offering Support

Here we share any events which may support families in our local community.

Tips to improve confidence and save money
Managing your Money, Bills and Debt



Basic budgeting
Meal planning & shopping
Top tips to manage debt & save money
How to find best deals with energy & broadband providers
Communication tips

£20 Shopping voucher on completion of the session



Wednesday
25 January 2023
10 am - 1 pm

Castle Batch Children's Centre,
 Bishop Avenue, Worle
 Weston-super-Mare BS22 7PQ

FREE for adults 19+ living in North Somerset on certain benefits or with few or no qualifications

To book onto the course and for further information contact
 JP Evans at Community Learning
 email: julie.evans@n-somerset.gov.uk
 or phone/text 07795 390 667



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 North Somerset Community Learning

Adult Cookery Sessions

Monday 16th January 2023
Thursday 9th February 2023
At WSM Foodbank Kitchen
9.30-1pm

Places fully funded by the department of education for adults of children who qualify for free school meals.

Email Amy to reserve your space
cooking@wsmfoodbank.org.uk

North Somerset Family Wellbeing Parenting Team

Scan the QR code to view the Advanced Parenting Groups and how to refer



North Somerset Council

The Parenting Village Coffee Morning

"It Takes a Village to raise a child" originates from an old African proverb and conveys the message it takes many people to provide a safe and healthy environment where children can flourish. Our coffee morning is for parents that have either attended our Advanced Parenting groups or those just interested in finding out more about building their tribe.

The drop in is a relaxed and friendly place where parents and parenting specialists will be on hand to offer support, a listening ear and advice. We want you to tell us what you would like your village to look like.

First Friday of every month
starting Friday 13th January 23.
Where? Castle Batch Children's Centre
What time? 09:30 – 11:00

Free Tea and Coffee and cake, children welcome.

For more information, please contact the Parenting Team: parenting.groups@n-somerset.gov.uk



Wonders of Weston – Wellbeing Walks

Why not go out and about around Weston to see the rich history of the town.

Walking is simple, free and one of the easiest ways to get more active, lose weight and become healthier.

Sometimes overlooked as a form of exercise, walking briskly can help you build stamina, burn excess calories and make your heart healthier.

Gems of Weston walk

Stunning Victorian architecture can be spotted all around Weston-super-Mare's town centre.

Discover some highlights of this beautiful seaside town by following this short walk.

This walk was developed by North Somerset Council, in partnership with Weston Civic Society and the Health Walks initiative. Funded by Historic England High Street Heritage Action Zone.

1 Begin the walk at the Grade II listed Weston-super-Mare railway station – opened in 1884 on a new loop which replaced the 1841 branch line. Brunel's Grade II listed signal box is in the adjacent car park as a reminder of the previous trackway.

2 From the station, go over the zebra crossing onto Station Road and note the row of 1930s Art Deco houses on your left. 3 Walk past local architect Hans Fowler Price's French-style depository, which has been a storage facility for

over 100 years. Hans Price was the architect responsible for much of the development of Weston-super-Mare during the Victorian era and much of his work can be discovered throughout the town centre.

Behind the 20m Pennant and Ham stone tower of Victoria Methodist Church is the 190-year-old Whitecross Lodge, former home of Richard Parsley who built Weston's first hotel.

4 As you continue towards the town centre, you will pass the 1934 former

magistrates' court, which has been used for several television dramas. At the road junction look left towards Walliscote Primary School, built in 1897 by Hans Price as Weston's first 'board school'. 5

6 Turn right past the Italianate Town Hall, opened in 1859, extended by Hans Price in 1897, further extended in 'Post Office Georgian' in 1927, and the brick wing added in 1980.

7 Walking towards Regent Street you pass The Centre, a row of recently repainted Art Deco shops and apartments, finishing with Cecil Howitt's modernist 1935 Odeon cinema.

8 Opposite the Odeon, is Alexandra Parade, an elongated open space previously known as The Plantation. This is where Weston's first railway station opened in 1841. The scale replica locomotive North Star, installed in 2006, commemorates the 200th anniversary of Isambard Kingdom Brunel's birth.

9 The original station hotel is now the Tavern Inn the Town pub. From here head towards Big Lamp Corner and Silica, a piece of public art designed by Wolfgang Buttress in 2006. From here you can see several impressive buildings, particularly Costa

Coffee (can you spot the elephants?) and HSBC bank. 10

As you walk along the High Street, look up above shop level at the variety of windows, carvings and other details. At the far end, the newly refurbished Italian Gardens provides a spot to sit and relax among the classical balustrading, fountains and lawns. Spot the 1807 Royal Hotel and Olea restaurant and bar. These were both Weston's first hotels. Also SASS bar, an 1860s former bank in Florentine palazzo style; the new University Centre at the Winter Gardens; and the 1992 Sovereign, a recently renovated mix use space with an attractive cafe, cycle hub, retail and work space. 11

12 Turn right into Waterloo Street and the Boulevard. Spot the former office of the Weston and Somerset Mercury newspaper and adjacent buildings, together with the Constitutional Club (former Masonic Lodge of St Kew), and the row of shops, all by Hans Price in the 1880s. Turn next right into Orchard Street – a busy road of independent businesses: florist, Asian and East European food stores and restaurants, craft and dress shops. In adjacent Burlington Street is Weston Museum, superbly redesigned in 2017. This hub of independent retailing extends into Meadow Street. 13

At the end of Orchard Street you'll find yourself back in Alexandra Parade where steps can be easily retraced to the railway station.

Walk information

Distance: about 1.4 miles/ 2.25 kilometres.

Difficulty: easy – a level walk on pavements. Wheelchair, pushchair and dog friendly

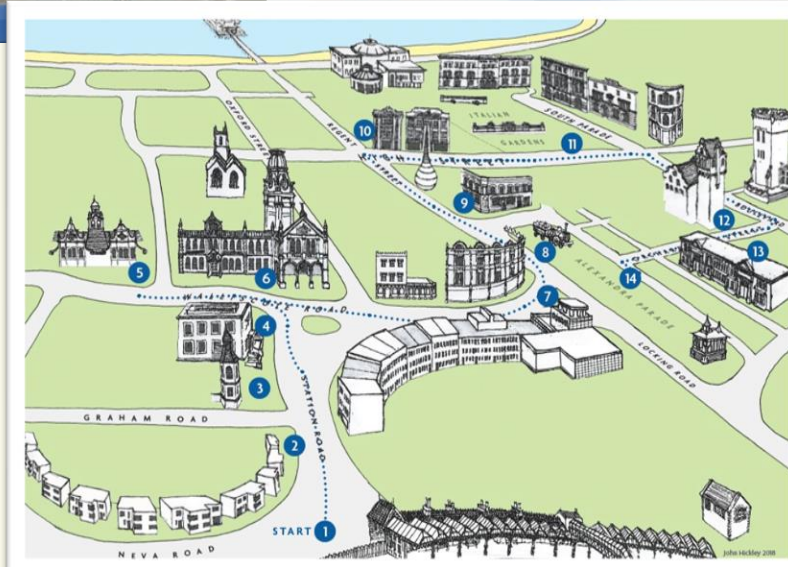
Duration: about 90 minutes at a leisurely pace

How to get there

By car: Weston-super-Mare railway station car park

By bus: services available at the nearby bus interchange in Alexandra Parade

By train: Weston-super-Mare railway station





We are Hiring Exam Invigilators – Hourly rate £11.51

We are looking for Exam Invigilators to join our supportive and talented exams team within Cabot Learning Federation (CLF) and especially at Broadoak Academy.

CLF is a diverse multi-academy trust, looking for professional and ambitious people, with a passion for transforming our students' learning. Our Academies need exam invigilators, readers and scribes to assist with scheduled exams across the Federation.

As this is a casual position you will work when available and will be called upon when required to support the Academies during exam season.



Find out more and apply for the role here:

<https://accesspeople.accesscloud.com/CabotLearningRecruitment/Home/Vacancy?id=198&returnurl=/CabotLearningRecruitment/#.Y8h5L3bP02w>



Key Dates

Dates for the Diary



Key Dates for Term 3

Tuesday 24 th January – Tuesday 31 st January	Year 10 PPEs
Tuesday 24 th January	Big Trip Parent Carer Meeting (Invited Year 9 Students)
Tuesday 7 th February 3.30-5.30pm	Year 11 Futures Event
Thursday 9 th February	Year 9 Preferences Event
Friday 10 th February	Year 10 Into University Business in Focus Bristol Trip
13 th -17 th February	Half Term
Monday 20 th February	INSET Day (school closed to students)
Monday 27 th February – Friday 10 th March	Year 11 PPEs
Wednesday 1 st March	Year 9 Preferences Deadline

Parent and Carer Evenings 2022-23

Year 7 – 24 November 2022

Year 8 – 05 January 2023

Year 9 – 13 October 2022

Year 10 – 19 January 2023

Year 11 – 30 March 2023

All events are 3.30pm - 6.30pm



Term Dates 2022-2023

Term 1	
Last day of term for students	Wednesday 19 th October 2022
INSET Dates	Thursday 20 th October 2022 Friday 21 st October 2022
Term 2	
First day of term for students	Monday 31 st October 2022
Last day of term for students	Friday 16 th December 2022
Term 3	
First day of term for students	Wednesday 4 th January 2023
Last day of term for students	Friday 10 th February 2023
INSET Dates	Tuesday 3 rd January 2023
Term 4	
First day of term for students	Tuesday 21 st February 2023
Last day of term for students	Friday 31 st March 2023
INSET Dates	Monday 20 th February 2023
Term 5	
First day of term for students	Monday 17 th April 2023
Last day of term for students	Friday 26 th May 2023
Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May 2023
Additional Bank Holiday	Monday 8 th May 2023
Term 6	
First day of term for students	Monday 5 th June 2023
Last day of term for students	Friday 21 st July 2023
INSET Dates	Friday 7 th July 2023

Full Term Dates can be found on our website including dates for September 2023-2024:

<https://broadoakacademy.clf.uk/our-academy/term-dates/>