

newsletter

The voice of Broadoak Academy



BROADOAK
ACADEMY

I hope all our students and staff are enjoying a well-earned break after a busy and event packed Term 1. It is real pleasure for me to introduce and launch our new look House Parliament in this edition. The Parliament will be led by our Year 11 House Captains, who are more than up for the job! We will soon appoint our two Senior Captains so watch this space!

Now who doesn't enjoy a curry and a good quiz show? A perfect night in you may say. Well, how about the perfect night out. Read on to find out more.



We have outlined the Mental Health support we have in and out of school for our students in this edition also. Please ensure your child is aware of this support and encourage them to seek it in school should they need it. We know that every child is different and what may seem small to one, could seem like a mountain to climb for another. We are here to help each and every one of our students, to support their well-being.

It was fantastic during October to see the various activities taking place to celebrate Black History Month (BHM). Students and staff took part in celebrating BHM each day in lessons, assemblies and around the Academy. And diversity does not stop here for Broadoak. In November, I will be meeting with members of local groups and organisations to discuss how we as a school community and beyond can celebrate and enjoy the wonderfully diverse community we all live in, in Weston-Super-Mare. More to come on this in future editions.

Finally, this is a very special year for Broadoak Academy. This school year marks 100 years of education provision for Broadoak, across the old school building and our new school building, but all on the current school site. We will be celebrating this momentous occasion with a series of events throughout the year. To kick things off, we have added some introductory information on Broadoak 1922-2022 in this edition. Take care for now, and enjoy all I have mentioned above and much more as you read on.

Mr D McGilloway

Principal

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Introducing our House Captains and Student Parliament



The structure of our Broadoak Student Parliament has been developed this year with House representatives making up committees with specific areas of responsibility.

Each term the committees and House Councils will meet to discuss ideas which will then be taken forward to the House Captains at the full school parliament meeting.

We will also have student representatives for the CLF student Parliament and North Somerset Youth Parliament.

Here are our elected representatives for 2022-23:

	Beech	Chestnut	Spruce	Whitebeam
House Captain	Beth (11B)	Lucy (11C1)	Heliana (11S2)	Filip (11W)
House Captain	Aadit (11B)	Ollie (11C2)	Will (11S1)	Jada (11W)
Vice House Captain	Niyaz (11B)	Phoebe (11C1)	Lexey (11S2)	Matt (11W)
Vice House Captain	Charlotte (11B)	Andrew (11C2) Polly (11C2)	Jess (11S1)	Kaycee (11W)
Community	Lucy (9B)	Kora (9C)	Hiswell (7S)	Scarlett (8W)
Charity	Olivia (10B1)	Myesha (10C)	Alwand (10S)	Vajra (9W)
Diversity	Maria (10B1)	Billie (7C)	Theodore (9S)	Harriet (8W)
Environment	Evan (8B)	Angel (8C)	Ayyub (10S)	Archie (10W)
Behaviour	Immaculate (7B)	Oscar (7C)	Bobbie (7S)	Fred (10W)
Learning	Edie (8B)	Johnny (9C)	Amanda (8S)	Reuben (7W1)
Sports	Ryker (7B)	Stan (10C)	Tomas (9S)	Jess (9W)
Facilities	Scarlett (9B)	Chizitara (8C)	Dragos (8S)	Jacob (7W1)





Year 11 House Captain Teams 2022-23





Free school meals during the holidays

Eat DRINK AND be SCARY 

PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE OCTOBER HALF TERM 2022

COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL

<p>ASDA CAFE Kids eat for £1 all day, every day with no adult spend until the end of 2022</p> <p>TOBY CARVERY The Kids Eat For £1 offer will be available from October 24th to 28th with the App</p> <p>FRANKIE & BENNY'S Adults Eat Free with every under 11 child throughout all the UK Half terms</p> <p>PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm</p> <p>WHITBREAD INNS Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased</p> <p>FUTURE INNS Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays</p> <p>TABLE TABLE Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!</p> <p>THE REAL GREEK Kids eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult</p> <p>SIZZLING PUBS Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.</p> <p>BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!</p>	<p>TESCO CAFES Kids Eat Free with any purchase of fresh fruit by an adult throughout all the UK Half Terms</p> <p>MORRISONS Spend £4.99 after 3pm daily & get one free Kids meal (usually all day during half term)</p> <p>HUNGRY HORSE Kids eat breakfast free with every adult breakfast, daily from 9am - 12pm.</p> <p>PRETO Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto during Half Terms</p> <p>FARMHOUSE INNS Kids eat for £1 when you sign up to their email list before October 26th 2022</p> <p>YO! SUSHI Kid's eat free all day, Monday to Thursday until 29th October 2022</p> <p>SA BRAINS PUBS Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Only valid Wednesdays but on all day</p> <p>IREA From October 11th kids get a meal for 95p or £1.50 from 11am - All day, every day.</p> <p>ANGUS STEAKHOUSE One free children's meal per paid adult meal 12-5pm daily throughout the holidays</p> <p>BELLA ITALIA Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Monday to Thursday</p>
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North Somerset Council are supporting local organisations to ensure no child goes hungry during the school holidays.

Visit their website for a full list of local organisations involved: <https://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/my-services/community-safety-crime/emergency-management/covid-19-north-somerset-together/where-get-support/free-school-meals-during-holidays>

Charity Curry and Quiz Night – Friday 18th November

Broadoak Academy's Year 11 Hospitality and Catering students are hosting a Curry and Quiz Night on Friday 18th November 5.30pm-7.30pm in aid of Children In Need.

Take part in our fun family Quiz as you dine. Tickets cost £7 per person (children under 3 go free), please complete the form below to reserve your place. Details regarding payment will follow upon completion of bookings using this

[Sign Up Form!](#)





Mental Health – where can I get support?



Tutor

Your tutor should be the person you go to in school if you are having any problems. You can see them at tutor time and arrange a further time to talk if you need to.

Off The Record

OTR is a mental health support for all students. Drop in and speak to a member of the team and find out more about the services they offer.

www.otrnorthsomerset.org.uk

Kooth

Kooth is an online confidential service giving help and advice about emotional health.

www.kooth.com

School Nurse

The school nursing team join us at Broadoak on a Wednesday. They support students through 1-1 sessions (please speak to your Head of House to see if this is for you) or through a drop in session.



Wednesday 10:45-11:05 in CO2

Careers, Work or College advice

Drop in and see a range of post-16 providers for advice and guidance about applying for life after Broadoak.

This can include:

Winterstoke Hundred Academy
Weston College
Bridgwater College
and many others



Monday 12:45-13:05
in the Atrium



100 Years of Broadoak Academy (and the BBC!)

You may have seen that the BBC has just celebrated its 100th birthday and now it's Broadoak Academy's turn. A school has been situated on the Broadoak site since 1922 so we will be celebrating 100 years of education and community throughout this school year with a number of events.



Broadoak staff began these celebrations on our recent INSET day with Miss Smith sharing some stories from former Broadoak teachers. We look forward to sharing some of these stories with you as well as looking at the future of Broadoak over the next 100 years.

In September 1971, Broadoak School came into being with a new Headmaster, Dr Hinton. I continued to teach PE and geography and also got very involved with the running of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. I was later appointed to run the Award Scheme in 1972 and this caused me a great many hours of joy and frustration

Tony Morgan, 1969

During one air-raid on Weston, a parachute land mine bomb landed on the promenade near the entrance to the present beach car park. These bombs were designed to cause blast damage. In addition to blowing a large hole in the promenade, it jammed the entrance doors to the school!

When there was an air-raid and the weather was fine, we retired to trenches which had been dug around the edges of the playing field.

In November, we will be inviting the BBC Schools Tour to Broadoak where groups of students will have the opportunity to find out more about the 100 years of the BBC the different career opportunities available.

#100YearsOld





Tutor Reading with 9-Chestnut

At Broadoak Academy, all of our tutor groups read together each week, and this term many groups have started new novels to start the new school year. We have a range of texts that cover issues that help students to consider the world around them and explore different experiences to their

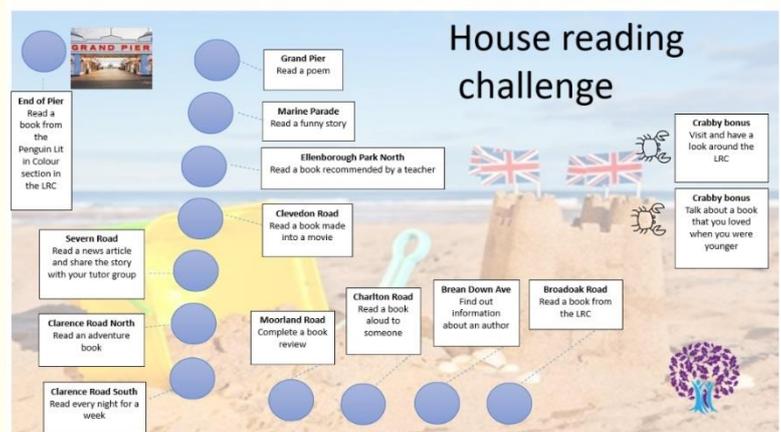


own, as well as considering skills such as resilience, kindness and empathy. It has been lovely to hear about groups really enjoying the books they have been reading together.

In a well-being and resilience tutor time, 9C made their own bookmarks which we all now use as reading rulers to assist when reading together. We are currently totally gripped by the novel FACE by Benjamin Zephaniah which tells of how a young man's life is completely changed when his face is badly scarred in a car accident and tackles some of the personal and social problems around physical disfigurement. It's a fantastic book which has opened some great conversations but somehow, we always seem to end our reading on a cliff-hanger, desperate for some of our questions of what's coming up next to be answered.

Whole School Reading Challenge

A reminder that you can still take part in the House Reading Challenge... details are on Show My Homework, time to get reading over half term!





Feeding our Local Homeless Community



Every student at Broadoak Academy gets the opportunity to learn essential life skills in Food Technology through making a variety of healthy dishes from fruit salad, breads and soup to main meals such as curry, lasagne and stir-fry. In the past, any unclaimed dishes have sadly ended up going to waste and have recently been considering alternative ways to ensure this doesn't happen. Manny in 7-Whitebeam1 is one step ahead of us and upon discovering unclaimed stir-fry at the end of the day, decided to share it among the homeless community in Weston-super-Mare.

Here is Manny ready to go 'above and beyond' to deliver a box of over a dozen unclaimed lasagnes to the YMCA ready for distribution that same evening. If you are involved in any community project or serving the wider community in any way, we'd love to hear about it!

Forest School Pumpkins

Our students in the Hub have been busy in forest school this term, building a shed, composting old plants and this week they have been carving pumpkins and having a smashing time!





Year 10 Work Experience Programme Launch

Parents of Year 10 students should now have received communications regarding the launch of our new Year 10 Work Experience Programme 2023.

We wanted to make sure we launched it early so that all of our Year 10s have ample opportunity to find their placements.

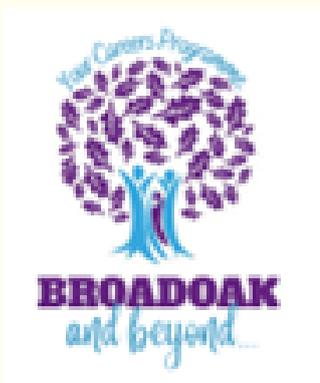
As a reminder the dates are:

Monday 26th June – Wednesday 28th June 2023

Remember: Tutors and Miss Wilde will be assisting with finding placements for those who are struggling, as we have a small bank of contacts, however the ownership is on the student to be reaching out to employers and finding their own placement.

Once you have an employer in agreement, either verbally or via email, please collect a purple form from the Main Admin Office to take home, complete and return. For all enquiries regarding Work Experience, please feel free to contact your child's tutor directly or Miss Wilde on georgia.wilde@clf.uk

[The full Work Experience launch letter can be read on our website here.](#)



Broadoak and Beyond – your careers programme

Details of our careers programme for all year groups can be found on the [careers page of our website.](#)

The programme is led by our Careers and Aspirations Coordinator – Georgia Wilde

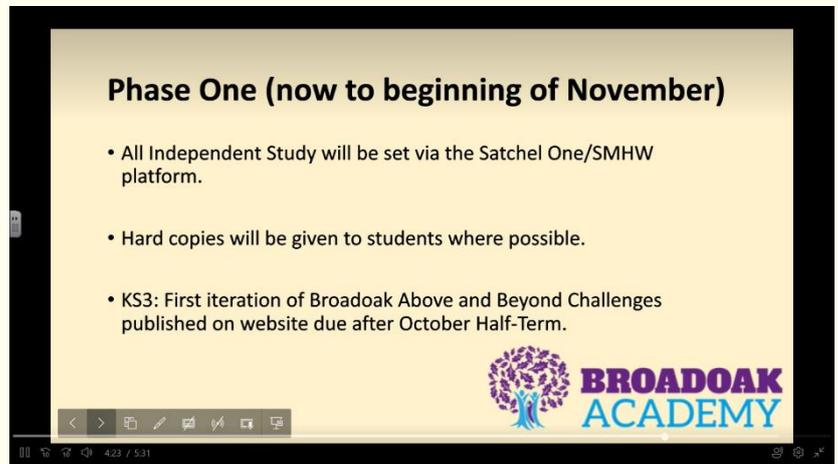


Curriculum Information for Parents and Carers

As you may have read in our last newsletter, our curriculum information for all year groups is now available on our website – [Curriculum Overview at Broadoak](#).

This includes:

- a copy of the presentations from our Curriculum Information Evenings
- a summary video from Mrs Onslow, Assistant Principal
- Year 9 Preferences FAQs



Year 11 Blog and PPE Reminders

A reminder that all the information for Year 11 PPEs has been posted in the [Year 11 Blog section of our website](#).



Autumn PPE 2022

Exam Timetable

	Monday 31 st October	Tuesday 1 st November	Wednesday 2 nd November	Thursday 3 rd November	Friday 4 th November
Tutor Time 0845 - 0905					
Period 1 & 2 0905 - 0955		English Literature (1 Hour 45 Mins)	English Language (1 Hour 45 Mins)	History (1 Hour 20 Mins)	Maths Paper 2 (1 Hour 30 Mins)
Break Time 1045 – 1105					
Period 3&4 1105 - 1245					
Lunchtime 1245 – 1320					
Period 5&6 1320 - 1500	Maths Paper 1 (1 Hour 30 Mins)		Geography (1 Hour 30 Mins)	Science Paper 1 - Biology (1 Hour 45 Mins)	

Autumn PPE Timetable

Monday 31 October – Friday 11 November

See regular updates on our

Year 11 Blog

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

#SimplyTheBest #Year11



Duke of Edinburgh Award – sign up now!

The Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) Bronze and Silver Awards have been launched for Year 9 and Year 10 with a sign up deadline of Friday 11th November 2022.

Year 9 students can now sign up to start the DofE Bronze Award. Students have been shown a launch assembly and staff volunteers held an evening for parents and carers to find out more last week! Full details are on Show My Homework and on our DofE Blog on the website with the first compulsory session on **Wednesday 9th November at 3pm-4.30pm.**

Year 10 students who have completed or almost completed their Bronze award are now encouraged to sign up for their Silver award. Full details can be found on Show My Homework and our website. We have a **weekly drop-in every Tuesday lunchtime to support Year 10 and Year 11 students** to finish their DofE Bronze Award.

We look forward to even more students signing up to DofE this year – if you aren't sure or have any questions here are a few ideas for you:

- Take a look at the [DofE website](#) and [YouTube channel](#)
- Read the letters for information on how to sign up
- Come along to the first session on Wednesday 9th November in C1



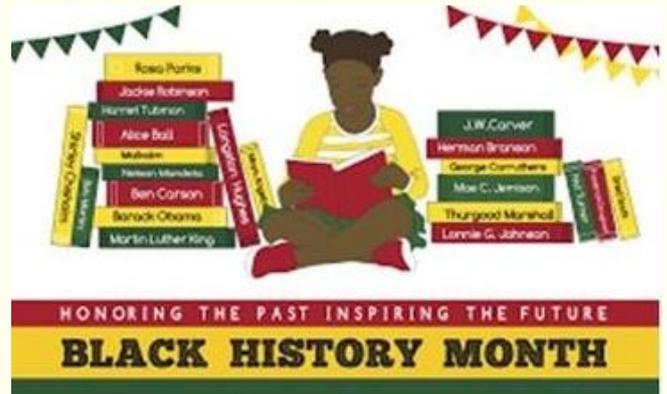
**Sign up on
the form for
[BRONZE](#) or
[SILVER](#)**



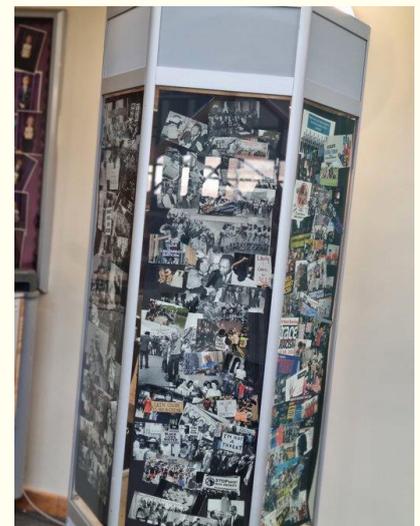
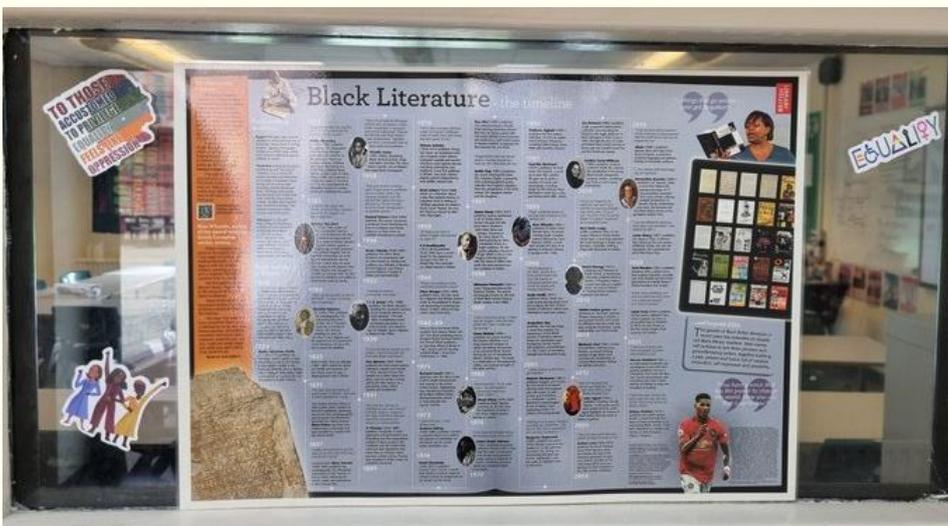
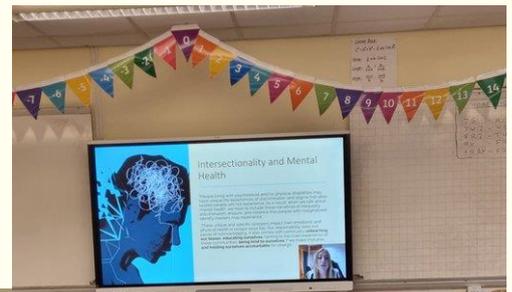


Black History Month at Broadoak

Broadoak Academy celebrated Black History Month throughout October. Staff and students discussed inspirational people at the beginning of each lesson as well as attending special House assemblies and informative displays around the school.



During tutor time discussions took place about intersectionality along with relevant reading including 'A Blood Condition by Kayo Chingonyi'.





Aspens Catering Update

Students enjoy their breaktimes and lunches with food provided by our catering team from Aspens. Here are some of the promotions Aspens are offering in November:

FLAVOUR OF THE MONTH

HACIENDA MEXICANA

Absolutely Spec - Taco - lar!

Enjoy a fiesta of fajitas, tacos and burritos with a choice of tasty fillings, toppers and sides.

Come and choose a Burrito-ful meal!

Aspens

FLAVOUR OF THE MONTH

Plant POWER

GIVE PLANTS A CHANCE!

Exciting plant based dishes that are full of flavour, good for you and good for the planet too.

Grab one of our plantastic meals!

Aspens

School Meals on ParentPay

A reminder that we are a cashless school and all money for school meals, trips and events should be paid on ParentPay.



If you are not sure how to access ParentPay please [see instructions on our website](#) or contact our Finance Team by calling 01934 422000 or emailing parents@broadoakacademy.clf.uk



As seen on Twitter... @BroadoakAcademy

Mrs R Hooke @MissHooke · Oct 10
 Our BHM badges created by the lovely student receptionists at @BroadoakAcademy #BHM #BHM2022 #BlackHistoryMonth



Bristol Bears Community Foundation @BrisBearsCF · Sep 23
 @BroadoakAcademy Bright Sparks group putting in the effort this morning!

Benefits of taking part in sport
 Crossbar Challenge
 Developing communication



Dr Sneezum @lucysneezum · Oct 10
 Look at these happy faces! We learnt a lot about observing and sampling our local environment with @NHM_London and enjoyed discussing sustainable transport options with @NorthSomersetC. Thank you @seemonsteruk for organising these in-school workshops! @BroadoakAcademy



Danny McGilloway @DMcGillowayBA · Oct 20
 Broadoak colleagues loving the CLF Autumn Conference @CLF_Institute @BroadoakAcademy @97SteveTaylor Thanks @BristolBrunel for hosting.

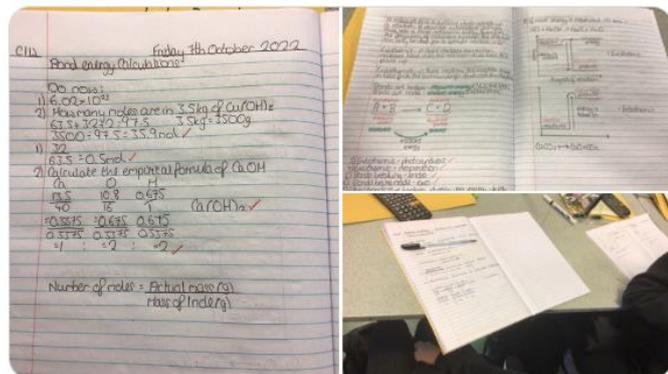


Carina Smith FCCT @CarinaSmith87 · Oct 13
 This young woman epitomises our values @BroadoakAcademy. Make the most of your time; show courage to do hard things and make the right choices. What a star she is! @DMcGillowayBA

Uphill Juniors FC @FcUphill · Oct 13
 So pleased to welcome Jess to training @FcUphill @BroadoakAcademy fundraising for her causes—look at these yummy cakes and cool bracelets and keychains too! The grown ups and kiddos loved a hot chocolate tea and coffee too—we will see you again after half term Jess I'm sure...❤️



BA Teaching and Learning @BALearning · Oct 7
 Year 11 Chemistry: Review and developing endothermic and exothermic bonds with bond energy calculations. #TimeCourageChoice





Broadoak Alumni

We hear from Rachel, an award winning student from the Broadoak class of 2020

"I am currently in my second year at Weston College doing a T level in education and childcare and am going to be applying to do a BA (Hons) in primary education with a QTS at university.

I have started my pre-school placement as part of my course. Last year I did my primary school placement and loved it! I also took my exams, completed my case study project and received an award for the employer nominee of the year which was amazing!

Broadoak were amazing on my journey. The teachers supported me in so many ways and it was clear to see that they all wanted the best for me and my future. They were there to support me with school work and also just life and helped to support me on my transition to college."

We are always thrilled to hear from students who have left Broadoak Academy... you are our ALUMNI. Please do get in touch, whether you have been at Broadoak recently or left a long time ago, it would be great to share your story as part of our 100 year celebrations.

Please email: baalumni@broadoakacademy.clf.uk



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Parent Academy Councillor Elections

Dear Parent/Carer

Academy Councillor Election – Parent Councillor

We currently have a vacancy for an Academy Councillor and you are very welcome to put your name forward should you wish to stand for election.

Academy Councils are responsible for holding Principals and their leadership teams to account for the quality and effectiveness of the academy experience of the students under their care. They do this through monitoring the practices and procedures of the Academy and providing challenge where necessary ensuring the safeguarding of all our children and of academy staff.

We welcome applications from our parental cohort to join our Academy Council – please join us and make a difference.

All parents and carers are eligible to stand for election, except:

- Persons liable to be detained under the Mental Health Act 1983
- Undischarged bankrupts
- Persons recently convicted of a serious offence
- Persons disqualified under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986
- Persons subject to disqualification as a Charity Trustee
- Persons whose employment is prohibited or restricted
- Persons disqualified from being proprietors of independent schools
- Persons on the DfE List 99 (this is a list of people banned from working with children)

If you would like to put your name forward, please complete the form using the following link **by Monday 31st October 2022**: [Nomination Form for Parent Academy Councillor](#)

You will need to write a brief factual statement about yourself (not exceeding 100 words) and include it on this form. You might like to include a little about your background and why you want to be a Councillor. Should an election be necessary I will circulate to voters your statement and those of other candidates. Please do take a look at the Academy Council section of the website for information about our Council. If you have any questions about the role, please feel free to contact me by email at sue.burns@.clf.uk

Yours sincerely

Sue Burns
Clerk to the Academy Council



Key Dates

Dates for the Diary

Upcoming Key Dates
for Term 2

Monday 31st Oct to Friday 11th November	Year 11 PPEs
9 th November	BBC Schools Tour
17 th November	CLF Eco Conference
17 th November	Broadoak Partnership Event
18 th November 5.30-7.30pm	Charity Curry and Quiz for Children in Need
22 nd November 5.30-6.30pm	Year 11 family results evening
24 th November 3.30-6.30pm	Year 7 Parent and Carer Evening
8 th December	Year 11 Futures Event
14 th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day

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 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
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:

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