

BEYOND THE BLUE LINE

"BONJOUR, NOS AMIS!"

Our recent French exchange trip with Collège Maintenon from Perpignan was a resounding success, filled with laughter, learning and lasting memories.

We welcomed our French friends to Brooksbank last Friday, kicking off a week packed with activities that showcased the best of our local culture and hospitality.



The week began with a visit to the historic city of York, where we explored its rich heritage and iconic landmarks. From there, the fun continued at Flamingo Land, where students from both schools bonded over thrilling rides. Creative minds were put to work in various craft sessions and a friendly but competitive bake-off allowed us to share culinary traditions – a great British scone.

The week finished with a farewell trip to the bowling alley, followed by a disco at school where students let loose and celebrated the friendships forged over the week. We can't wait to catch up with our friends at collège maintenon in September when a group of Brooksbank students will visit them in France.



YEAR 11: IT'S BEEN A PRIVILEGE!

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The atmosphere was electric as the Year 11 students gathered for their final assembly, marking the end of an unforgettable chapter in their lives.

Head of year, Mrs Bassinder's catch phrase of the year has been "Amazing" and this summed up perfectly all of our Year 11 students.

The assembly led the students' down memory lane as they reminisced on the past 5 years at Brooksbank from nervous Year 7s to confident young adults. From school trips, sporting victories and daily adventures The assembly was a rollercoaster of emotions, with joyful and tearful farewells.

Well done, Year 11. Good luck in all your future endeavours. Remember, you are amazing. We'll see you at Prom!"



TRIUMPH AT THE CALDERDALE ATHLETICS EVENT

This week, our students showcased their exceptional talent and determination at the Calderdale Athletics Event, bringing home an impressive array of medals and making our school proud. The competition was fierce, but our athletes rose to the challenge, achieving significant individual and team successes.



Many students clinched bronze, silver and gold medals in various events. Their achievements highlighted not only their individual successes but also the supportive and encouraging environment fostered by Brooksbank.

The Year 9 team excelled, securing an impressive third place overall. Their combined efforts and sportsmanship were evident throughout the competition, earning them well-deserved recognition. Even more remarkable was the performance of our Year 8 team, who claimed first place across all Calderdale schools. Their outstanding teamwork and perseverance set a high standard and brought gold home.

Our students were true ambassadors of our school, exemplifying our values and spirit. We are incredibly proud. Congratulations to all our participants for their dedication and hard work!

OUR GARDENING CLUB IS FLOURISHING

Our dedicated Gardening Club has been hard at work this week, despite the weather.

This week, they've planted pumpkins and carrots, getting ready for an autumn season as well as tidying up our beautiful rose bed and de-weeding around the school, ensuring our gardens stay neat and vibrant.

We can't wait to see the fruits (and veggies) of their labour!



ARTWORK OF THE WEEK

It's Sweet Week in the Art Department, and Year 8 students have been delving into joyful sweet pop art, drawing inspiration from artist Sarah Graham.

Even though their projects are not finished yet, two of our students' work is showing great progress and have earned the top spot this week.

Congratulations to Skye and Jacob from 8T!



YEAR 11 PROM REMINDER

Friday 21st June, at The Cedar Court Hotel, Ainley Top, HD3 3RH.

Students should begin to arrive from 6:30pm onwards.

Cars should approach the hotel driveway and proceed to the entrance, to drop students off. Cars will then proceed through the car park to the exit.

- Please can we ask that friends and family do not park in or around the entrance area so that the limos have sufficient space to manoeuvre.
- Any photographs students wish to have taken with their transport should be taken before setting off to the venue – there will only be limited time to take formal pictures of students at the hotel.
- Please can we ask that the grassed area at the entrance of the hotel, near to the steps is kept for staff and students to congregate in. Should friends and family wish to have photographs taken with students at the hotel there is ample space in the surrounding grounds.

As the bar is CASHLESS, students will need a money/debit card and water will be provided free of charge.

- The celebrations will come to a close at 10.00pm.

KEY CALENDAR DATES

Year 11 Prom	Fri 21st June
Sixth Form Prom	Fri 28th June
TrustTrek	Thu 4th July
KS3 Awards Evening (invite only)	Thu 11th July
Year 10 Awards Evening (all)	Tue 16th July

KEY HOLIDAY DATES

Summer Break Begins	Fri 19 Jul
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EXAMS TIMETABLES

YEAR 11 EXAM TIMETABLE

W/C 17TH JUNE

Date	Time	Exam
Mon 17th June	13:30pm	Music Component 3 Appraising
Tue 18th June	13:30pm	Polish Writing Test Tier H
Wed 19th June	9:00am	Food Prep and Nutrition Written

YEAR 13 EXAM TIMETABLE

W/C 17TH JUNE

Date	Time	Exam	Year
Mon 17th June	13:30pm	Physics A: Unified Physics Wtn	13
Tue 18th June	9:00am	Chem A: Synths & Anlytcl Tchnqs Wtn	13
Wed 19th June	9:00am	Biology Adv Paper 3	13
Thu 20th June	13:30pm	Mathematics Adv Paper 3	13
Fri 21st June	9:00am	Chem A: Unified Chemistry Wtn	13