

# BEYOND THE BLUE LINE



## **BROOKSBANK'S FIRST SUMMER SOIREE:** *A Celebration of Community and Achievement*

This week we hosted our first Summer Soiree event dedicated to celebrating everyone who has supported Brooksbank and its students over the last year.

From volunteers and workshop leaders to those who have contributed to our fundraising efforts, this event was a heartfelt thank you to our community.

The afternoon was filled with amazing performances by our talented students followed by a delightful afternoon tea, providing a perfect setting for mingling and reflection on our shared successes.

This celebration was not just about looking back; it was also about looking forward. We are incredibly proud of what we've accomplished together and we are excited to continue our efforts in giving back to our local community.

The support we've received has been instrumental in driving our initiatives and it's clear that our achievements are a testament to the collective spirit of our supporters.





# BROOKSBANK'S APPLICANTS DAY: A SNEAK PEEK INTO AN EXCITING SIXTH FORM JOURNEY

This week, Brooksbank hosted an exciting Applicants Day for prospective students interested in joining our Sixth Form this September.

The event was packed with engaging activities designed to give students a taste of what life at Brooksbank is all about.

From Bright Sparks to a sporting afternoon, there was something for everyone to enjoy.

The day provided a perfect blend of academic and extracurricular experiences, showcasing the diverse opportunities available at our Sixth Form.

The Applicants Day was not just about activities; it was also a valuable opportunity for students to make new friends and meet our amazing Sixth Form team.

The event fostered a welcoming environment where prospective students could connect with their future peers and get to know the staff who will support them throughout their Sixth Form journey.



# YEAR 13 PROM NIGHT

Last week, we had a fantastic time at the Year 13 Prom held at Berties in Elland.

The whole year group gathered to commemorate the end of two years at Brooksbank Sixth Form.

It was wonderful to see everyone dressed up and having a good time. The highlight of the evening was undoubtedly the dance floor, where students showcased their best moves to some classic hits.

In between dancing, there were plenty of opportunities to capture the moment with friends at the photo booth, complete with fun props and backdrops. The resulting pictures will surely be cherished keepsakes for years to come.



As the night drew to a close there was a bittersweet realisation that this chapter of their lives was ending.

It was a night filled with joy, laughter and a touch of nostalgia, marking the end of an era and the beginning of new adventures for the Year 13 students.

We wish them all the best of luck in the future and we can't wait to catch up again soon!



# YEAR 7 PSHCE DROP DOWN DAY: WATER SAFETY

This week our Year 7 students were joined by West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service who hosted fantastic workshops focussing on water safety and drowning prevention.

With the summer holidays and rising temperatures approaching, the timing couldn't have been better.

Our students were very engaged and were left with valuable, potentially life-saving information.





## INTRODUCING WEST YORKSHIRE GIRLS CRICKET CAPTAIN

We are incredibly proud to share the news that Year 11 student Maia, has not only been selected as Captain of the West Yorkshire Girls Cricket Hub, she will also be Captain at the National Finals, hosted at the iconic Lords cricket ground.

This is a huge achievement and we could not be more proud of Maia's hard work and dedication to cricket. We know she will smash it!

What is Lords?

Around the world, Lords is known as the "home of cricket" and of cricketers.

## DART-ERMINED TO LEARN SOMETHING NEW

This week, some of our students got to experience something a little different as part of their extra curricular activities. Mr Oldroyd took some of our students to Greetland Social Club where they are currently setting up for the local tournament this weekend. It provided the perfect opportunity for students to take part in a friendly Darts competition.

It was a great experience for the students to see how an event of this size is pulled together as well as peaking their interest in a new sport.



## SWEET TREATS AT THE LINK

At The Link, students have been busy cooking up a storm with a variety of delicious sweet treats this week, from butterfly buns to cheesecake. Well done McKenzie, they look amazing!



## ARTWORK OF THE WEEK

This week's Artwork of the Week is a graffiti inspired wall art. Our Year 9 students have had a great time exploring with different colours and styles to create these brilliant pieces. One particularly stood out and that was Alicja from 9S.

Well done Alicja!

## NEW FOR SEPTEMBER...

To improve how we manage payments we have made the decision to move from ParentPay to Arbor Pay making payments and booking trips, tickets or paying for meals easier than ever.

Further details to follow shortly.



### KEY CALENDAR DATES

Year 7 & 8 Sports Day	Wed 10 Jul
Year 9 & 10 Sports Day	Thu 11 Jul
KS3 Awards Evening (invite only)	Thu 11 Jul
Year 10 Awards Evening (all)	Tue 16 Jul

### KEY HOLIDAY DATES

Summer Break Begins @ 12:10pm	Fri 19 Jul
Year 7, 11 and 12 Term Commence	Tue 3 Sep
Year 8, 9, 10 and 13 Term Commence	Wed 4 Sep