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Dear Parent/Carer

End of Term letter - Spring Term 2024

Another very full Spring term draws to a close and we reflect once again on how busy and productive the last few months have been. School re-opens to all students on **Monday 15th April 2024**. I would like to remind parents that students should be at school for **08.25am** at the latest. Lessons begin at 08.30am prompt.

A reminder that school will be closed on **Monday 6th May 2024** as this is a designated Bank Holiday.

Attendance

We have had a focus on attendance in assemblies this half term reminding students of the importance of being in school and the links with achievement and well-being. I would like to thank parents for their support in helping to ensure excellent standards of attendance at Brookfield. We have launched attendance rewards this half term and will share results from these with students in their assemblies on Monday 15th April 2024. Further incentives to reward excellent and improved attendance will continue into the summer term.

Co-curricular activity

In addition to the importance we place on academic achievement and what happens in the classroom, we are also very keen to ensure students have opportunities for wider experiences, and this term has exemplified this really well. In the past few weeks alone, the following events have taken place or are planned:

▪ Young Magistrates Mock Trial Competition	▪ A Little Mermaid – whole school production
▪ Evening of Dance	▪ Poetry by Heart
▪ Iceland Trip	▪ World Book Day
▪ Pi Day	▪ Maths Fest
▪ Children's Book Award	▪ GUTS trip to Magna
▪ University & Apprenticeship visit to Uni of Sheffield	▪ Young Enterprise Regional Finals
▪ Rotary Club Public Speaking competition	▪ Various inter-House competitions
▪ Barcelona Sports tour – over 40 students involved in football and netball	▪ KS4 Girls football team – quarter final in county cup

There is lots going on in terms of wider experiences, but this does not mean we are in any way taking our focus away from our core business.

Year 11 and Year 13 – Exam Preparation

Year 11 and 13 students are facing GCSE and A Level examinations from next month. We are striving to ensure that every step is taken to ensure all students are as fully prepared as possible. In addition to revision and tutoring lessons that have been in place for much of this year, our Easter Revision School is available for students for additional revision and support.

There is a strong uptake for this revision opportunity, with over 120 students signing up to sessions next week. Students can still book their place for any sessions at Easter school. On a related note, this year we once again want to maximise the time in school for students working with their teachers, and so will not have an early leaving date for 'Study Leave'.

Easter Revision School

As stated above, students in Year 11 and Year 13 have been invited to additional subject revision sessions that will take place during the Easter break. Please be aware of the start and finish time of these sessions so that students can arrive promptly. School uniform will not be required on these days.

The links for students to book onto these Easter revision sessions are:

- Year 13 <https://forms.office.com/e/ycvFMdk0KM>
- Year 11 <https://forms.office.com/e/EMWvDE0Vq1>

Expectations and Uniform

Over the last year we have shared with you our high expectations regarding students' uniform. Our communication with students in assemblies and reminders on the gates in the morning have led to a noticeable improvement in the number of students wearing the correct uniform.

To ensure we make a good start to next term, could you please take some time over the holidays to ensure that your child is fully equipped with the correct uniform for the start of next term. The full information for uniform can be found [here](#). Please remind your child that any piercings (other than one stud in each ear) and any fake nails, are not allowed in school. Parents will be contacted if their child arrives to school incorrectly dressed and the child will be asked to return home to change. We thank you for your ongoing support for our insistence on the very highest standards from our students.

When summer arrives and we have a return of hot weather, we will make suitable adjustments to the uniform and will communicate these with you.

A Level and GCSE Results Days 2024

An early reminder that results days this summer are as follows:

- A Level Thursday 15th August 2024
- GCSE Thursday 22nd August 2024

Farewell

This week, Mrs Hanson leaves Brookfield as she takes up a position with Pearson Education. Mrs Hanson has played a huge part in the DT department and, on behalf of staff, students and families, I would like to thank her for her contribution at Brookfield and send very best wishes to her in her new role.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support. This is very much recognised and appreciated by all staff at school. Extending very best wishes to you all for a peaceful Easter break.

Yours faithfully



Mr K Hirst
Headteacher