



# Brookfield Community School

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Dear Parent/Carer

## Welcome back – Summer Term

I hope you had a restful Easter break and that you are looking forward to the new term and the promise of the lifting of some restrictions. Currently, school still operates with many safety measures in place, including regular Covid-19 testing by students and staff, the wearing of face coverings in school, one-way systems, heightened cleaning and ventilation arrangements and staggered break and lunchtimes. The hope is that as we progress through this term some aspects can begin to be relaxed. For example, extra-curricular clubs have started running this week. This week has seen the start of assemblies half year groups, the first time we have been able to hold 'face-to-face' assemblies for over 12 months. Some staff meetings are also taking place in person.

## Lateral Flow Testing – reporting of results

A reminder that students, where parents have agreed, should continue to test twice each week – each Sunday and Wednesday. Results from these tests should be reported to the NHS and to school. The links to report these tests are included below:

- NHS reporting page link is [here](#)
- School reporting form link is [here](#)

## Year 11 and 13 – arrangements for GCSE and A Level results

The Year 11 and 13 official leaving date will be **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021**.

Further guidance has been given to schools by the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) on the procedures leading to awarding of GCSE and A Levels this summer. We have included the link to an overview for parents/carers with information about how grades will be awarded this summer. This includes a timeline of what is happening and when. It also describes the process of how schools will determine grades and when you will receive your results. Teachers will not be able to share overall grades with students and all grades are subject to approval by examination boards. Later in the term we will share with parents/carers the details for results day and enrolment into Brookfield Sixth form.

<https://www.jcq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/JCQ-Guidance-for-Students-and-Parents-on-Summer-2021.pdf>



## Expectations – uniform

Having high school uniform standards helps to promote Brookfield Community School's 'Commitment to Excellence' ethos. I am sure you will agree that our uniform is very smart and reflects well on the school and our students. The vast majority wear the correct uniform at all times. On the rare occasions our high expectations are not met, staff use the conduct card system for minor infringements. For more serious transgressions, students may be asked to go home and return to school as soon as possible in correct uniform.

Please could I remind parents that artificial nails, facial jewellery, hoodie-style jumpers, excessive makeup and white socks are not allowed. Students should also remember to bring their PE kit for all lessons (even if excused from PE due to injury). Also, shirts should always be tucked in, skirts should be a sensible length and also worn with black/opaque tights.

## House System and Vertical Tutoring - update

Planning is well underway for this important development, which comes into effect from September 2021. A letter with full details will be sent to parents shortly.

## Reports and parents' evenings

The unanticipated partial closure during the Spring term meant that our normal reporting timeline was affected. This has now been rescheduled and details of when reports will be published, and parents' evenings, are shown in the section below.

## Key events/dates – Summer term:

### BROOKFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL - CALENDAR DATES (SUMMER TERM)

Monday 3 May 2021	Bank Holiday (school closed)
Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June 2021	School Holidays
Monday 7 June to Friday 18 June 2021	Year 12 mock exams
Friday 11 June 2021	Year 11 and Year 13 Official Leaving Day
Thursday 17 June 2021	Year 8 Parents' Evening
Monday 21 June 2021	Post 18 Options Evening
Monday 21 June to Friday 2 July 2021	Year 10 mock exams
w/c Monday 28 June 2021	Year 12 Reports
Monday 28 June 2021	Year 12 Induction Day
w/c 28 June 2021	Year 7 Reports
w/c 5th July 2021	Year 8 Reports
Tuesday 6 July 2021	Year 12 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 7 July 2021	Outdoor Performance Evening at 7.00pm
Thursday 8 July 2021	Year 11 Prom (Provisional)
w/c 12 July 2021	Year 10 reports
Wednesday 14 July 2021	Year 7 Parents' Evening

Thursday 15 July 2021	Year 13 Prom
Friday 16 July 2021	Sports Day
Friday 16 July 2021	Post-18 Day for Year 12
Monday 19 July 2021	Year 10 Parents' Evening
Tuesday 20 July 2021	GCSE & A Level Art Exhibition
Friday 23 July 2021	School closes at 13.00pm

### Parent communication

A vital function this year is to update parents regularly on the latest developments and progress at Brookfield, and to actively seek your views to shape school priorities. I am sure you enjoy reading the regular 'Brookfield News' newsletter, which hopefully provides an interesting snapshot of school. As always, we will continue to need your commitment to work in partnership to support your child's learning and to ensure every child succeeds. The date for the next Parent Forum meeting is Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021 between 6.00pm and 7.00pm. We would like to hold this in school but will make a final decision on whether we can meet in person or have to hold it virtually following the Government announcement planned for 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Please can you notify my PA, Mrs Gillian Rhodes, on [g.rhodes@brookfieldcs.org.uk](mailto:g.rhodes@brookfieldcs.org.uk) by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021 if you wish to attend and if you wish to add any items to the agenda.

Everyone at school is excited by the term ahead and look forward to seeing you in school in the not too distant future.

Yours faithfully



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