

News, Events and Updates at Brompton Academy

Year 11 Science



It has been an extremely busy time for Year 11 - the study club programme has continued its success into Term 3, following on from the bowling reward trip at the end of Term 2, which over 70 students attended! Currently over 90% of Year 11 students have attended revision sessions this academic year. The upcoming reward trip will be chosen by students and announced next term.

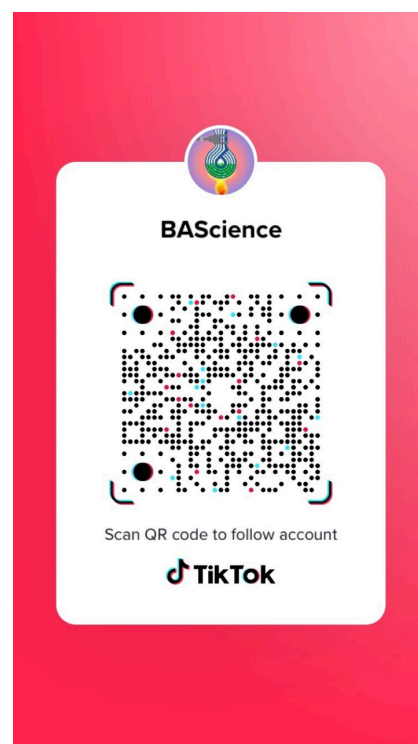
A group of Year 11 students have also enjoyed the second round of the Escape Rooms. The Higher Attainer students have used this time to develop their higher level problem solving and teamwork skills. All groups have made improvements with 50% of the groups escaping!

The Year 11 team have appointed a new member of the group, Mr Squires, who will be helping to support Mr Greenwood and Miss Smith with Year 11. Mr Squires will also be working closely with Year 10 students.

Science TikTok Milestone

The Science department have been running the @BAScience Tiktok for only 8 months and they have had amazing success! Last term they hit a staggering 100,000 followers and this term they have smashed it by doubling their followers to 200,000! The Science department have started using students in their videos, with one video reaching over 3 million views in less than 24 hours! The TikTok account is used to promote the student work and what they are learning during their Science lessons.

To follow the BA Science TikTok, please scan the QR code



Annie Jr. Act 3 Complete!



It has been a busy term for all involved in the Annie Jr. production - with each week bringing us closer to opening night! The cast have continued to amaze us with their incredible talent and hard work!

Our cast members are from Year 7 through to Year 13; whether in the show or being involved backstage, it has given students the opportunity to meet other students in different year groups and learn alongside them. There has been lots of singing, acting, and dancing along the way and it has been brilliant to watch our students confidence grow.

As we head into the final stages of rehearsals, the Performing Arts Department would like to say a big Thank You to everyone who continues to support the students involved in the show and, of course, the cast themselves! It is a big commitment and we appreciate the effort that goes into attending rehearsals and learning lines, lyrics, and choreography to 'wow' the audience.

The performances of Annie Jr. are on Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th March. Tickets can be purchased via the QR code below. We hope to see you there!



The PA Department would also like to recognise the hard work of our Level 2 and 3 students, who have been working tirelessly since the start of the new year on various units and components. We are so impressed with their conduct and enthusiasm and are very excited to see the final products of their hard work. Keep it up!

And last, but not least, to all our students from Phase One through to Year 13, we hope you have a much earned and relaxed half term.

Year 12 and 13 Criminology

Year 12 Criminology students have completed their Unit 1 coursework, Campaigns for Change, which saw them explore a range of crimes and the impact they have on society, how individuals and charities campaign for changes in laws and justice, as well as creating their own campaign for change. At the beginning of Term 3, students embarked on their learning of Unit 2, Theories of Criminality. Students specifically look at the social constructions of criminality, exploring theories and causes of criminality and investigating policy changes.



Whilst completing their Unit 3 coursework, Crime Scene to Courtroom, Year 13 students have been exploring how criminal cases progress through the Criminal Justice System, which includes reviewing criminal cases. Students are now working towards Unit 4,

Crime and Punishment. Students will study how laws are created, made, and implemented, and the role the Criminal Justice System plays in society. This includes the measures taken to maintain social control.

Year 13 Business Studies

Year 13 Business Studies students were given an amazing opportunity to find out about the Waitrose recruitment process when their HR Manager came in for the afternoon.

The purpose of this visit was for the students to examine the recruitment and selection process to support their current unit of work. Students found out information on how to apply for a position, what a company looks for in an employee and lots more!



Presentations like this, and others that Brompton Academy provide - enables students to quickly gain substantial amounts of information in order to make their work life decisions easier.

Music Lessons

During Term 3, KS3 (key stage 3), students have been studying music from various genres and decades including Beat Music, Grime, EDM, Protest Music and Programme Music. Students have used music technology to create compositions, as well as various instruments, to compose and learn a variety of pieces which they have performed to their peers.

Year 10 and 11 GCSE Music students have been working hard to complete the course, with Year 11 also preparing for their performance exam in March. Miss Connor and Miss Fox have been so impressed with the rehearsals and are looking forward to seeing students showcase their hand work! Year 10 have been working on a variety of skills while completing Unit 201, which required them to complete an in-depth genre comparison and analysis of their chosen song.

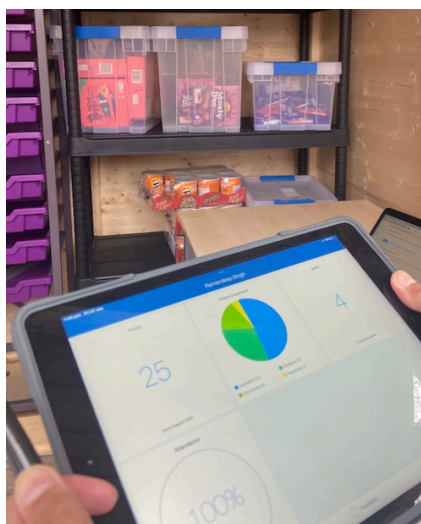
Year 12 and 13 students have been working hard to complete a variety of units that have been tailored to their ideal careers in the industry. For Unit 349, Year 12 students recently had a guest lecture on careers in the industry delivered by LCCM, one of the top UK contemporary music institutions. Our Year 13 students have now all applied for universities, ranging from BIMM Institute to De Montfort University, to study a variety of courses such as Music Production, Songwriting, and Musicology. Good luck to all students awaiting their university offers!

Rock School has also been a very popular extracurricular activity, with students from both KS3 and KS4 attending, in which the students work in bands to perform a variety of songs. Our peripatetic music teachers have been extremely busy teaching students from all year groups and are thrilled with the fantastic progress students are making in their instrumental lessons!



If you're child would like to learn to play a musical instrument or would like vocal lessons, please email lesleyconnor@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk

Launch of the Academy Reward Shop



We were really excited to open the new Academy Reward Shop this term - over 300 purchases were made in one week with purchases from the previous week being only 100!

The Academy Reward Shop is available during lunchtimes and students are able to purchase items from their ePraise accounts using their REACH points.

The ePraise app encourages students to make good financial decisions based on the level of REACH points that they have earned in their lessons. Students can exchange these tokens for either physical items from the Academy Reward Shop, such as confectionaries and treats, enter raffles for larger termly items, such as Apple AirPods, or donate a proportion of their points to a cash value for charity. We feel that by giving students these

options, we are again ensuring that the positive reinforcement and student responsibilities are being continuously developed. Students can also make suggestions for prizes and items they wish to see.

Mini School Student Ambassadors

The Mini School Sixth Form Student Ambassadors are now in post and are responsible for supporting Heads of Mini Schools and their students. The Student Ambassadors will be supporting the organising of events, Mini School assemblies, school council and much more!

Introducing the Sixth Form Student Ambassadors:

Role	Rutherford	Keynes	Woolf	Darwin	Turing
Lead	Ellie	Molly	James	Faith	Charlotte
Vice Lead	Maya	Ben	Rio and Katie	Nim and Hannah	Katelyn and Olivia
Vice Lead & Wellness		Ryleigh			

Term 3 Mini School Scores

Congratulations to Rutherford Mini School for winning Term 3!

1st place - Rutherford

2nd place - Woolf

3rd place - Turing

4th place - Keynes

5th place - Darwin

Table Tennis Success

On Saturday 15th January, five of our Year 8 students travelled to London to represent Brompton Academy in the National Table Tennis Team tournament. Having previously won the Kent Finals, students made it through to this prestigious event. This is the first time any students from Brompton Academy have ever reached this stage of the competition!



The students demonstrated resilience and determination throughout the event and were excellent representatives for the Academy. The whole team should be extremely proud of their achievements!

SSG Sports Hall Athletics Champions!



Term 3 saw the PE Department take a group of Year 7 and 8 students to represent the Academy in the Secondary School Games (SSG) Sports Hall Athletics competition.

The students competed in various track and field events, demonstrating brilliant attitudes throughout the day.

The final results saw the Boys Team finishing in 1st place for Medway and the Girls Team being placed 4th.

A huge well done to all students involved.

Gym Club

Every Wednesday morning, throughout Term 3, the PE Department have been running a gym club for all students. This has proven extremely successful and popular with our students, who have been developing their health-related fitness.

Renovations for the gym will undertaken in the upcoming months, where it will be transformed with new equipment for both students and staff to take advantage of.



Eliot Centre Mini School Badminton

Every term, the Academy holds a Mini School competition for Eliot Centre students, with the Term 3 event being Badminton!

Students from Years 7 to 11 represented their Mini School fantastically, competing in a series of games to see who could be crowned the Badminton Mini School Champions!

The final results are as follows:



1st Place - Woolf
2nd Place - Rutherford
3rd Place - Darwin
4th Place - Keynes
5th Place - Turing

A huge congratulations to all students who participated in the event. You should be so proud of yourselves!

Mini School Table Tennis Tournament

This terms sports based Mini School competition saw students competing in table tennis. On Tuesday 1st February students from Year 7 and 8 battled it out in an attempt to score points for their Mini School. The event was very well attended and there were some fantastic table tennis shows!

Thursday 3rd February was the turn of Year 9, 10 and 11 students - this tournament was always going to be an exciting event, with some experienced table tennis players across all Mini Schools.

The final results are as follows:

Years 7 and 8

1st Place - Darwin
2nd Place - Rutherford
3rd Place - Keynes

Years 9, 10 and 11

1st Place - Turing (winning 11 out of their 16 games!)
2nd Place - Rutherford
3rd Place - Keynes

Well done to all students involved, it was fantastic to see so many students enjoying taking part in competitive sport!

Brompton Academy Smash Rowing Competition!



In the last few years Brompton Academy have secured many titles in Rowing competitions across Medway, Kent and Nationally. We are super excited to announce that there has been no change this year! Students from Years 7 to Sixth Form entered into the Secondary School Games (SSG) Virtual Rowing competition.

Students completed rowing time trials during the Academy day, which were sent off to compete against other schools across Medway.

Overall, the Girls Team placed 1st in Medway and the Boys Team placed 2nd. This is an absolutely outstanding achievement for our students and is testament to their hard work and

dedication! Well done to all students involved, who have received medals for their contributions to the event.

LGBTQ+ Club

The LGBTQ+ Club continues to be a roaring success, with around 20 members attending weekly. This term the club have started to research LGBT+ History month, which is being celebrated across the Academy, and students will be continuing to sell rainbow laces to raise funds for the LGBT+ charity Stonewall. So far £180 has been raised by students and staff through rainbow lace sales.

The LGBTQ+ Club have also been working on designing badges for a national LGBT+ badge competition. Students have produced some brilliant entries which will be submitted.

The LGBTQ+ Club is always open to welcoming new members and is a safe space for everyone. Please feel free to join us on a Monday from 3pm to 4pm in the Science lecture theatre.



LGBT+ History Month Rainbow Cake Competition

We are pleased to announce that entries for our annual Rainbow Cake competition, to celebrate LGBT+ History Month 2022, are now open!

Students are invited to make a rainbow cake or cupcakes and submit their recipe and a photo of their baking by Friday 18th February 2022. To enter students are required to use their UKAT email address and email: BAcompetitions@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk

Terms and conditions are available on the Academy website:

1st Prize - £20 Amazon voucher

2nd and 3rd Prizes - £10 Amazon voucher

The winners will be announced on Thursday 24th February 2022.



LGBTQ+ MONTH 2022

RAINBOW CAKE COMPETITION

Students are invited to create a
'Rainbow' cake or cupcakes to
celebrate
LGBTQ+ month 2022.

Students will be required to submit
a photo of their cake/cupcakes,
together with the recipe by the
closing date of
Friday 18th February 2022,
by using the link in the description.

Winner will be announced:

Thursday 24th February 2022

**PRIZE: £20
AMAZON VOUCHER**



Academy Nurse

We would like to introduce our new Academy Nurse, Mrs Bell, who joined the Academy this term. Mrs Bell's role is to support our students with first aid and any medical issues (such as medical care plans).

Student Services

We would like to advise that the Academy's Student Services is open from 8am to 4pm each day. Miss Morley, who has recently joined us on a Business Administration Apprenticeship, is able to assist students with timetables, general issues, queries, and locker keys.

Lost property queries should also be directed to Student Services. We currently have a large amount of lost property. We kindly request that if your child has misplaced an item of their Academy uniform (e.g. BA badged items, coats, water bottles etc) that they check with Student Services on

their return to the Academy after the February half term, as we will be disposing of unclaimed items during Term 4.

Sport Clubs - Term 4

Day	Sport and Venue	Year	Time	Coach
Monday	Basketball Sports Hall	Year 7-10	3:00pm-4:00pm	Crusaders
Tuesday	Table Tennis Sports Hall	ALL	3:00pm-4:00pm	Miss Foster
	Trampolining (Until 8 th March) Sports Hall	Invite Only	3:00pm-4:00pm	Mr Webster
	Dodgeball Sports Hall	Year 7	3:00pm-4:00pm	Mr May Mr Ghale
	Netball Courts	ALL	3:00pm-4:00pm	Miss Pedelty
	Boxing Activity Studio	Year 9, 10, 11	3:00pm-4:00pm	Olympia Boxing
Wednesday	Gym	ALL	7:45am-8:30am	Mr Yeowell
	Badminton Sports Hall	Year 7&8	3:00pm-4:00pm	Medway Badminton Club
Thursday	Tennis Sports Hall	Year 7&8	3:00pm-4:00pm	Frindsbury Tennis Club
	Rugby Field	Year 7&8	3:00pm-4:00pm	Mr Ghale
Friday	Football Astroturf (Boys and Girls)	10 & 11	3:00pm - 4:00pm	Soccer Elite

Duke of Edinburgh Award - Expedition Training

This term we embarked on expedition training - students have been learning navigation and how to read a map and route plan in their teams. They have also covered camp craft (building a camp), equipment and hygiene (what they need; walking boots, trangia, tent etc) along with menu planning.

All the students have submitted their activities for each section and have started some great work. Year 9 students, Max and Jack, have made brilliant progress with their cooking skills ahead of the DofE Cooking elective starting next term.



Bronze Award Skill Section - Cooking Elective

We are excited to be able to offer the Bronze Award students the opportunity to participate in an online cooking elective, which will enable students to complete their Skill section of the Award.

The cooking sessions will run in Terms 4 and 5; videos will be posted every Wednesday via Edmodo from the 23rd February 2022 until the 30th March, then again from the 20th April to the 25th May 2022. There will be 12 sessions in total.

There will be a small one-off fee of £10 per student, which will go towards the tutor costs. Students wishing to participate are required to sign up via ParentPay by Friday 18th February 2022. Payment towards the cooking sessions is non-refundable. By making payment via ParentPay, parents/carers are giving permission for their child to participate.



Registration for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award 2021/22 has now closed. For further information on the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, please click on the following link: <https://www.bromptonacademy.org.uk/duke-of-edinburgh-award>



UKAT's New Therapy Dog - Aslan

We are really pleased to announce the arrival of our new UKAT dog! Aslan is the latest addition to the Community Team helping with the wellbeing of our students and staff.

Aslan has been enjoying socialising with many young people and is a super friendly, super furry and a super chilled out pooch. Aslan loves playing with a ball and carrying his teddies around. Aslan will be training in February for his initial stage one for

his dog mentoring qualification, and then has plans to train as a Pets and Therapy dog. Hopefully, if all goes well, he will train as a recovery assistance rescue dog. Aslan looks forward to meeting you all; he is growing quickly and is also very excited to be working with our fabulous Librarian's as we are looking at the exciting arrival of Aslan's corner! Watch out for more updates.

If you would like to know more about Aslan and maybe meet him, then please contact his human carer Miss Price by emailing joprice@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk

Ofsted Parent/Carer Survey Results

Thank you to our parents/carers that responded to our Ofsted survey.

We picked up that you wanted to know more information about the curriculum; please click on the following link which will take you to our Academic page on the Academy website: <https://www.bromptonacademy.org.uk/british-values-1>

Individual year group curriculum guides can be selected from the menu on the right-hand side.

You also wanted to know what the Academy offers to support your child's wider personal development. Here is an example list of support on offer at the Academy:

- Mini School Challenges
 - Electives Programme - Terms 2 - 5 free of charge to Phase One
 - PE Clubs
 - Duke of Edinburgh - available for students 14 years+
 - Combined Cadet Force - available for students 12 years+
 - Mindfulness
 - Counselling
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Year 10 and 11 Strategy Team

We are pleased to announce that Mr Squires will be joining the Year 10 and 11 Strategy Team, supporting Mr Greenwood. Mr Squires will be working on subject specific and non-subject specific (e.g. metacognition and study skills) with the aim of boosting student progress.

Current News and Information - Social Media

For the most current news and information at Brompton Academy, we invite you to follow our social media pages:

Facebook: @BromptonAcademy

Twitter: @BromptonAcademy

Instagram: @BromptonAcademy



We regularly promote competitions for our students, parents, and carers on our social media channels.



The Associates of Brompton Academy

The Associates of Brompton Academy are a motivated, keen, and determined group of parents and carers whose primary focus is to raise funds through fundraising events. These go back into the Academy to enrich the education and learning experiences of students. We meet once a term to discuss our progress, talk about where our funds should be put, and about what exciting events we have coming up.

The Associates need you!

No matter how limited your time, we appreciate any help, and we are always looking for motivated and friendly parents/carers to join the Associates of Brompton Academy. If you are interested, please email joprice@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk for further information.

The Associates next meeting is due to take place on Wednesday 16th March at 6pm.

Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction Course



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MINDFULNESS COURSE

A SIX WEEK COURSE FOR ADULTS

The six week program will focus on Mindfulness based stress reduction, and good health and wellbeing to help us build resilience to allow us to face life's difficulties with self-compassion.

No prior Mindfulness experience required.

Starting Thursday 9th June 2022
6.30pm to 8pm
at Brompton Academy
(Marlborough Road, Gillingham, ME7 5HT)

Fee: £100 per person

For further information, please call 01634 583548.

Payment for the course is required a week before the first session on the 9th June 2022. Payment can be made via the Academy merchandise shop by clicking on the following link:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Uniform/Default.aspx?shopid=714>

Free Talk Therapy for Adults

For further information or to book an appointment, please email
Counsellors@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk

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University of Kent Academies Trust **Counselling Service**

FREE Talk Therapy for Adults
Monday to Thursday,
4pm - 8pm

During these uncertain times, you may find yourself feeling anxious or stressed. The dedicated team of volunteer Counsellors in training, are able to offer you confidential and non-judgemental support.

Counselling offers opportunities to look at other ways to manage difficult situations.

For further information or to book, please email:

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Facilities for Hire

We are pleased to announce that Brompton Academy's facilities are available to hire. For a full list of facilities, further information or to book, please email office@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk, alternatively, click the the following link: <https://www.bromptonacademy.org.uk/facilities>

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Conference Facilities

Assembly Hall

Therapy Rooms

Activity Studio

Fields

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