
News, Events and Updates at Brompton Academy

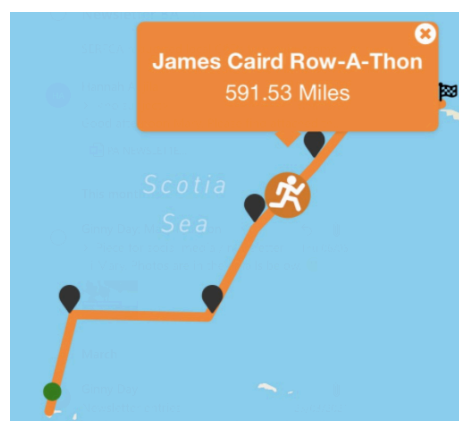
Rowing Achievement for Year 8 Students Silas and Seb



On Friday 30th April 2021, Year 8 brothers Silas and Seb were part of a team from all over the country, raising funds for a Kent Scouts Antarctica project. During the row-a-thon the teams clocked up 1,500km to help raise funds. So far the teams have raised over £1,200. Donations are very welcome. If you would like to make a donation please click on the following link:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/ReQuest2021RowATHonTeam>

The boys took part in an 8 hour launch event, rowing alongside the famous James Caird lifeboat, in which the great polar explorer Earnest Shackleton and his team made the epic journey of the same distance 100 years ago.



Congratulations to Silas and Seb!

Lights, Camera, Action - Performing Arts

Term 5 has flown by, and the Performing Arts (PA) department are still going full steam ahead.

With lockdown restrictions easing and some normality returning, the PA team are eagerly awaiting the day we get the nod to return to our amazing studios for practical lessons.

Phase One students continued to impress us this term, with their versatility and approach to their learning. Even with the restrictions of a classroom, they still managed to engage in practical workshops and have fun along the way.

The department would like to say congratulations and welcome to the company, to those Year 9 students who picked Performing Arts as one of their options. The journey you are about to embark on is an exciting one and we are looking forward to starting it with you in September.



This term, some of our Year 10 dancers got to experience an online workshop with a professional dancer from the musical, Hamilton. The students were taught choreography from the show and then had a Q&A session where they were able to find out lots of information about what it is like to be a dancer in Hamilton. The students thoroughly enjoyed this experience, and it supported their understanding of the performing arts industry. The PA department is very proud of how these students engaged with the workshop and we are working behind the scenes to offer more experiences like this in the future!



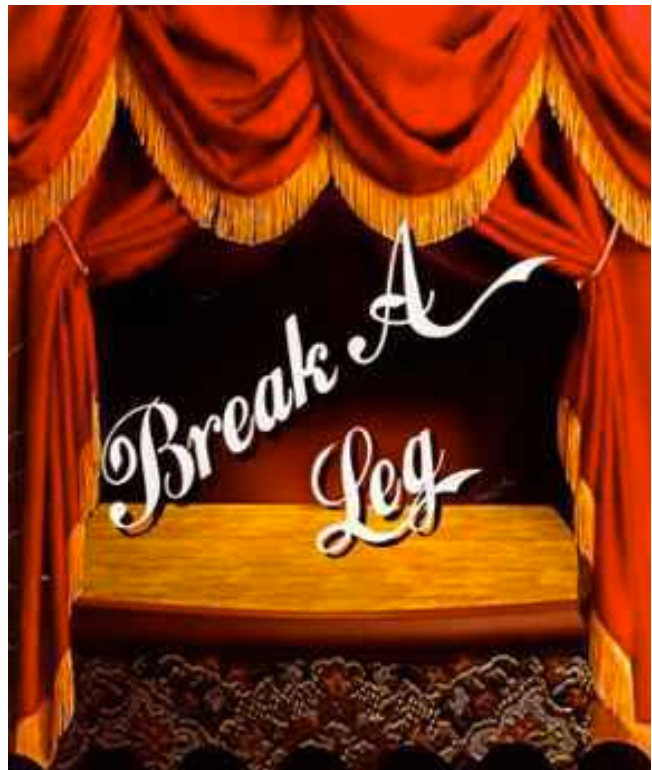
The Sixth Form PA students have worked hard over the last few terms rehearsing and preparing for their final performance assessments. It has been challenging adapting to the new ways of working, but our students showed outstanding professionalism and commitment throughout this process. We have been so impressed by the development of their skills and the way they have embraced their characters. The students hard work was evident in their final performances, and we are so proud of all they have achieved.

Not the end, just an intermission...

We have reached the point in the academic year where we must say a few goodbyes. The department are extremely proud of the hard work and dedication our students have for the subject and we wish them the best of luck for their next steps, whatever they may be.

11E, it's been a long journey, but you made it! You have all worked so hard and have achieved so much this year. Your final performances were fantastic and I'm extremely proud of you all. I wish you all the best of luck for the future. And remember...it's ok to use soft voices sometimes! Best wishes, Miss Aujila

Well Year 11, the curtain is closing on your time with us, and you deserve a huge round of applause for all you have achieved over the last few years. From 'Dancing Queen' to 'Summer Nights', and all that was in between, you have danced and sang your way through the years! It has been so much fun teaching you and seeing you develop. I wish you all the best for the next stage of your journey – 'we are all in this together!' From, Miss McMenemy



11C GCSE Dance, I am extremely proud of each and every one of you! You have jetéd over many different obstacles this year and you have faced each and every one of them with positivity, humour and determination. It has been an absolute pleasure to teach you and I wish you all the very best! From, Miss Mulvihill

To Domi, Lucy, Sancia and Sandra

Well done for all you have achieved since starting your level 3 training. As a team, we commend your resilience and professionalism over the last two years. You have always been willing to take on any challenge you are faced with from naturalistic acting, jazz technique and even Miss Aujila's HIIT (high-intensity interval training) sessions!

Every one of you has been a role model to the Year 12's who really appreciated how welcomed you made them feel way back in September, as well as the support and guidance you are always willing to give them. The team wish you the best of luck on the next steps of your journey and are going to miss you tremendously. Good luck! From Team PA.

Combined Cadet Force - New Recruits



We are excited to announce that we currently have 37 students attending the Combined Cadet Force (CCF) at Brompton Academy.

Students can join the Academy's CCF from the age of 12 years; if your child would like to find out further information about joining please visit the CCF page on the Academy website by clicking on the following link: <https://www.bromptonacademy.org.uk/combined-cadet-force> and completing the contact form at the bottom of the page. Students can also download the CCF Joiner Pack which will provide them with lots of useful information.

SERFCA - Podcast

SERFCA have recently invited local CCF's to provide some cadets to take part in a series of podcasts to promote the CCF, cadets were chosen based on previous hard work and dedication towards the CCF within their schools/academies. Cadets were required to write their own biography to introduce themselves and what they have done with the CCF.

It is with great pride that Cpl Cameron was selected to participate. We will post the podcast on the CCF page on the website when complete.

Congratulations Cpl Cameron!

To find out further information on SERFCA, please click on the following link: <https://www.serfca.org/>

Year 10 Instrumental Study

During Term 5, our Year 10 Music students have started work on Unit 204 – Instrumental Study. This unit is all about students analysing their strengths and weaknesses on their instruments and undertaking rehearsals as a means to improve. To help students improve, they have each been given instrumental lessons with Darren Currington, where they have been learning new, challenging pieces, developing good technique and gaining more confidence in their abilities as performers.



University Music Funding Success

The Brompton Academy Music department have written a very successful bid with Universal Music Sound Foundation and have secured a grand total of funding for £3,000.

The funding will be divided into the following:

- £1,500 - Updating the recording studio and classroom equipment for more music technology based lessons.
- £1,500 - Free one-to-one instrument lessons for our current Year 10 music students to support and develop their performance techniques as they prepare for their final year.



Our students have benefited immensely from the generous donations over the years and the funding will continue to provide musical tuition and recourses, as well as develop new opportunities and ventures as lockdown eases and live music can be enjoyed again.

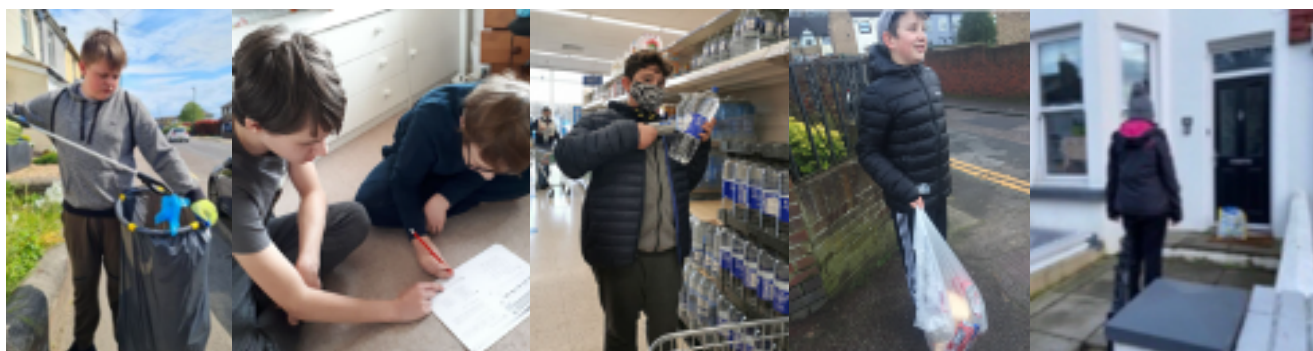
Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Our exciting news this term was that we were able to announce DofE expeditions are going ahead!

Year 9 Bronze participants and Year 10 Silver participants will be heading out on their expeditions in the next academic year.

The current Bronze cohort have been taking part in expedition training where they have been learning all about meal planning and cooking on an expedition along with map reading skills.

The participants have been making a great effort and sending in lots of evidence with many students well on their way to completing their sections. We have seen lots of inspiring pictures of students volunteering in all different ways.



University of Kent Summer School for Year 10 and 12

The University of Kent is running virtual programmes for Year 10 and 12 students during the summer break. Students will focus on developing their knowledge, skills building and academic content - all valuable experience to help them stand out in their job, sixth form, college and/or university applications.

Year 12: Tuesday 20th to Friday 23rd July 2021

Year 10: Tuesday 27th to Friday 30th July 2021

For further information and to apply, please click the following link:

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/outreach/summer-schools>



Please click the following link for more information on this exciting virtual summer school:

<https://animoto.com/play/mRA98j7F0rnbspcMeTmlqQ>

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.

Jump Into Spring Photography Winner!

This term we announced the winner of our Jumping Into Spring Photography Competition as Silas in Year 8. Silas won a £10 Amazon voucher for his beautiful photograph.



“I took this in natural light using my mum’s iPhone in the portrait setting. No filters were used, all I did was crop the image so the butterfly is in the centre of the frame. I took this in a friend’s garden. He is a wildlife expert so he was able to tell me what it is whilst social distancing. This is a female orange tipped butterfly sitting on a hyacinth.”

Brompton Academy Associates - New Members

The Brompton Academy Associates meet once a term (currently via Zoom) and their next meeting is due to take place on Tuesday 8th June at 6pm.

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. For further information please email: joprice@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk



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Online Instrumental Lessons

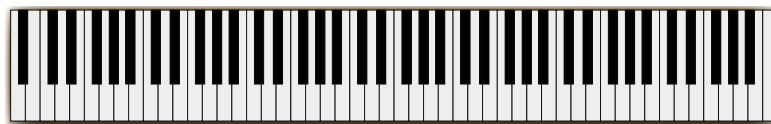
Online one-to-one instrumental lessons available



During the pandemic, our professional, DBS-checked Instrumental tutors are currently delivering online lessons.

The Instrumental tutors are as follows:

- Beverley Prankard (trumpet and flute)
- Paula Shoobridge (clarinet and saxophone)
- Danielle Hartley (piano)
- Chris Garth (guitar and bass)



For further information or to book, please contact Miss Coupé Head of Music by emailing: ChloeCoupe@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk

Access to Higher Education Diploma and GCSE

Do you want to develop your learning skills or return to learning after a break? Would you like to enjoy learning in a supportive atmosphere, and keen to gain a valuable qualification? If the answer to any of these is 'yes' then the University of Kent's Access to Higher Education Diploma, together with the GCSE Maths and English courses could be suitable for you.

The Access to Higher Education Diploma is designed for adults and focuses on coursework and discussion. Helpful University of Kent tutors, inspiring sessions and regular guidance are designed to help you reach your full potential.

You can study a range of subjects, including Psychology, Creative Writing, Sociology, Politics with Law and English Literature. You can also gain skills in research, essay-writing and presentations, and you can even get GCSEs in English and Maths.

The part-time Diploma course will be offered at Chatham Grammar from September, and you are required to take at least three subject modules spread over two years to complete the qualification.

For further information or to register for the courses starting in September 2021, please click the following link:

www.kent.ac.uk/courses/access

Virtual taster sessions are available to adult learners, which give a flavour of the subjects that the University of Kent offers on the Access programme. To sign up for the taster activities, please click the following link:

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/access/brompton-academy/study#taster-sessions>



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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.

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