
News, Events and Updates at Brompton Academy

Mini School News

What a fantastic first year it has been for the new Mini School system! Students have really felt a sense of belonging to their Mini School (MS) and this has shown during our events throughout the year, in particular during the sports days.

Massive congratulations to Woolf MS students and staff who have been crowned the overall Mini School Champions 2021/2022.

Woolf MS were handed the MS trophy after the Year 9 and Year 10 sports day on Thursday 14th July 2022. All Woolf MS students took part in the Reward Day on Thursday 21st July 2022.

Congratulations to all students and staff in Woolf MS!

Term 6 Leader Board

Mini Schools	Position
Woolf	1st
Turning	2nd
Rutherford	3rd
Keynes	4th
Darwin	5th

Mini School Competitions and Events

Sports Day 2022

Sports Day 2022 took place across two days, with the introduction of Year 7 and Year 8 competing against each other and Year 9 and Year 10 competing on a separate day.

The Year 7 and Year 8 Sports Day took place on Wednesday 13th July and Year 9 and Year 10 took place on Thursday 14th July 2022. This was the first year that students were taking part in their Mini Schools (MS), and sports day was the final event for students to battle it out to win the overall Mini School Reward Day.



Students had the opportunity to take part in field events such as shot put, high jump, javelin and discus, together with track events from 1500m down to 100m. Students also had the opportunity to compete in a game of tug of war which was a roaring success.

Students enjoyed a BBQ, ice cream van, and other refreshments throughout the day.

It was fantastic to see the whole Academy come together and support each other. The students absolutely loved sports day, there were some amazing sporting performances on show. Overall, Turing MS came out on top, winning sports day for all four year groups!

Throughout the day, Turing MS students put on various fundraisers to raise money for Carers First, which is a charity that provides respite care for young carers. Students planned their fundraisers during MS time.

Carers
First

For further information on Carers First, please click on the following link: <https://www.carersfirst.org.uk/>

Well done to everyone involved in the day, you were all amazing!

And that's a wrap!



'The Play that Goes Wrong' - but it went right!

Our Year 10 actors have been working hard over the last few terms to prepare for their performance of 'The Play that Goes Wrong'. The play follows a fictional troupe who are aiming to put on their annual show called 'Murder at Haversham Manor', a 1920s murder mystery. However, as you can imagine from the title of the play, it is not so easy, and things keep going wrong! When we first watched the professional version of the performance, the excitement from the students was evident, and as soon as rehearsals began, they impressed us with their professionalism and commitment. During our comedy workshops, students worked extremely hard to develop their improvisation and characterisation skills, which enabled them to put on an incredible final performance. It takes a huge amount of skill to master a comedy performance like this and we are so proud of what the students have achieved!

'Jamie'

Year 10 GCSE Dance students have been working equally as hard on their component 2 performance piece, 'And You Don't Know It', from the hit musical Everybody's Talking about Jamie. The story follows Jamie, who supported by his mum and surrounded by his friends, overcomes prejudice, beats the bullies and steps out of the darkness and into the spotlight! The dancers did Miss Mulvihill proud when they performed in front of amazed Phase One students. Their sass, energy and enthusiasm shone through. The Year 10 students were also invited to perform at this year's Sports Awards - what a way to end the year!



'High School Musical'

The Year 10 Performing Arts students have also been working hard on planning and preparing for their final performance of 'High School Musical'. Everybody's guilty pleasure, the musical tells the tale of students overcoming fears and adversity and breaking boundaries with a little bit of cheese for good measure! Class 10C have been working tirelessly to develop their musical theatre skills and techniques over the last few terms and it paid off! Miss Aujila has been extremely impressed with the enthusiasm and commitment from the students and is immensely proud of how much their confidence has grown since starting this process.

Arts Award



This term, we invited some Year 7 students to be involved in the completion of the Bronze Arts Award. These students have been recognised for their work both in lessons and during extra-curricular Performing Arts activities. As part of the award, students engaged in a range of arts activities, and reflected on their experience throughout. So far, students have taken part in tap dancing workshops, photography workshops and have begun exploring how

movie musicals are filmed and choreographed. We have been impressed with the continued enthusiasm shown by the students involved and are excited to continue and expand this offer during the next academic year.

A Final Farewell to Year 11

The Performing Arts department would like to say a final farewell to you all. Your Performing Arts and Dance journeys have finally ended, and we just want to say... Bravo!

The road has been tough and sometimes challenging, but we hope you have enjoyed it as much as we have. We have loved seeing you grow into confident and ambitious performers, allowing your creativity to take the lead.

We wish you all the best in your future endeavours and we know you can achieve anything you set your minds to. Just remember, deep breathe, power stance, a 5, 6, 7, 8, and you are ready for anything!

District Athletics - Secondary School Games

The biggest sporting competition of the year, Secondary School Games (SSG) District Athletics, took place on 23rd June 2022 at Medway Park, Gillingham. After missing it for two years due to the pandemic, we were so excited to show off our athletes from Brompton Academy!

The day was incredible; every student came together as one and their performances were something to be proud of. We are always the school that's cheering for each other, and the students have a great relationship between year groups. The boys had their best performance to date and finished 2nd overall - a huge achievement!

The togetherness and dedication from all our athletes have been outstanding this year, and this is shown from the end of year SSG results where both the girls and boys teams finished 2nd overall, out of 14 schools in Medway, making the Academy the most talented mixed school to date.



Congratulations to all the students who participated, we are so proud of you!

Cricket on the Rise at the Academy

During Terms 5 and 6, the PE department has introduced a range of new cricket opportunities for students. In addition to featuring cricket in PE lessons, there have been a number of competitive opportunities available to our students to participate in.

The girls Year 10 team entered a Kent Cricket 'Chance to Shine' competition for the first time and finished 3rd place in their group against a very strong opposition featuring many county players. The team were able to record a victory over Maplesden Noakes School to leave them third in the group. The Year 10 girls team have performed fantastically over the past term and have improved their all-round cricket ability immensely.

The Academy's Year 7 boys and girls teams also entered the Secondary Schools Games (SSG) competition which was held at Lordswood Cricket Club in June. The performance and sporting conduct of our students during this competition was something to be proud of, as they played every game within the spirit of cricket! The students have shown huge improvements in their cricketing ability in these past two terms and we are very proud of their performances.



Wheelchair Basketball Event



This term, Brompton Academy were lucky enough to be selected to attend a Wheelchair Basketball event run by Kent Sport. This event was in partnership with the 2022 Commonwealth Games, and allowed students to try a new sport and learn lots of new skills. Students loved the day and demonstrated resilience and determination, picking up wheelchair basketball really quickly!

Students received coaching looking at different skills used in the sport. At the end of the day they had the opportunity to play some matches against other schools. Well done to all the students involved.

Sports Awards 2022

On Tuesday 19th July, Brompton Academy hosted their Sports Awards 2022. Students were nominated for this prestigious event by the PE department for their successes and achievements in sport. Students and staff had the opportunity to vote for their winner in the run up to the event.

We are pleased to announce our Sports Awards 2022 winners:

Award	Student and Year Group
Year 7/8 Sports Personality Male	Josh S, Year 7
Year 7/8 Sports Personality Female	Ellie P, Year 7
Year 9/10/11 Sports Personality Male	Christopher H, Year 11
Year 9/10/11 Sports Personality Female	Erika S, Year 10
Year 12/13 Sports Personality	Rio V, Year 13
Year 7/8 Special Achievement	Harley B, Year 8
Year 9/10/11 Special Achievement	Abi N, Year 11
Year 12/13 Special Achievement	Katelyn J, Year 12

Award	Student and Year Group
Teams of the Year	Year 7 Boys Athletics and Years 7 - 10 Rowing Team
The Cassie Russell Award	Harley G, Year 10
The Marge Miller Award	James M, Year 12

Congratulations to our winners and all students that were nominated.

Year 11 Leavers Events

To start off the celebrations of Brompton Academy Year 11 students, we hosted an end of year barbecue. Students got to enjoy some great barbecue food cooked by Mr Goode and some Year 10 students. Whilst saying their goodbyes to staff and their friends, students were able to enjoy some free ice cream and shirt signing.

Following the barbecue, students attended their Leavers Assembly where many awards were handed out. Academy staff were asked to nominate students for the various awards over a period of time. Mr Greenwood gave a legendary speech using his classic lines of 'crystal clear' and 'just one more slide'!

The assembly rounded off with a video showcasing our Year 11 students throughout the years and a few tears were shed by both students and staff. Students also had the opportunity to order a Yearbook, which was put together by the Yearbook Committee. The committee was made up of Year 11 staff and students who all worked hard during the last few months to put the book together. The final product was very well received by students, parents/carers and staff.



Year 11 Prom

The Year 11 Prom was held at the St George's Hotel, Chatham, on Thursday 23rd June 2022. 150 students attended the event with 40 members of staff also joining them to say their goodbyes in style.

All of our Year 11 students dressed to impress, with some absolutely amazing outfits on show. Students were able to enjoy the selfie mirror photo booth that provided a memento of the night, together with a sweetie cart that was kindly donated by the Associates of Brompton Academy.



At the close of the night, we awarded our prom royalty with their well-deserved crowns. It was a fantastic night that we're sure to remember for a long time.

We would like to wish our Year 11 students all the best for their next steps.

Personal Development at Brompton Academy

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Term 6 has been another busy time for the DofE, and our Year 9 and Year 10 students have been working hard to complete their outstanding sections for volunteering, physical and skill.

We would like to wish all of our students good luck with finishing their outstanding sections during the summer break.

Information assemblies for Year 8 students to start the Bronze Award took place this term, which has created a huge buzz for our new cohort starting the DofE from September. We currently have 40 students signed up, which is amazing!

Congratulations to the following students who have completed the skill section of the Silver Award. They are all fully qualified for Emergency First Aid after passing their exam:

Ava, Chloe, Denislav, Ellie, Orla, Shannon, and Nesha.

Also well done to Reagan, Year 8, for attending and completing your certificate.

The DofE Award Ceremony took place on 18th July 2022 for our Bronze and Silver Award cohort from 2018 to 2021, a long-awaited event due to the pandemic. The prestigious evening started with a drinks reception and then a speech from the DofE Manager, Mr Webster. All students were individually presented with their certificate and badge and congratulated for their commitment and resilience for completing the Award during a pandemic.



Combined Cadet Force - A Centre of Adventure Training

We are excited to be able to announce that Brompton Academy's Combined Cadet Force (CCF) has been successful in securing an additional grant to become a Centre of Adventure Training!

We are extremely grateful to the Combined Cadet Force Association (CCFA) for supporting our application. The cadets and potential cadets are going to benefit greatly from the kit, equipment and trained staff to deliver a wide range of activities across the Trust.

For further information on the CCFA, please click on the following link: <https://combinedcadetforce.org.uk/about-the-ccf/the-ccfa>



CCF Overnight Exercise



Brompton Academy CCF took part in an overnight exercise in June, learning basic fieldcraft skills such as cooking in the field, basha building, bushcraft and night navigation.

The hot weather did not stop us from building a shelter from surrounding materials. Salis and his team made an excellent shelter and they were very pleased with the outcome. They learnt camouflage, concealment, and patrolling before splitting up to try and find each other without getting caught. Later that evening, they learnt to make fire safely and very much enjoyed cooking marshmallows.

For further information on how to join the Academy's CCF, please click on the following link: <https://www.bromptonacademy.org.uk/combined-cadet-force>

Personal and Professional Development

We were delighted to see the return of our face-to-face presentations with Kent Fire and Rescue, who spoke to Year 7 and Year 8 students about fire safety, risks, and consequences of arson.

Anyone who is concerned about someone who deliberately starts fires can contact Kent Fire and Rescue anonymously using the number below.



The focus for Year 8 and Year 9 students has been about online safety and awareness. Year 8 learned about age restrictions, online communication, online grooming and how to protect their personal information, whilst Year 9 learned about how to protect themselves from cybercrime.

Year 9 also looked at healthy eating habits, factors that influence food choices, different types of eating disorders and how to access support for them.

Should parents/carers require any information to further support their child, please see the links below:

Think-U-Know (online safety)

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

Beat Eating Disorders

<https://www.beateatingdisorders.org.uk/get-information-and-support/support-someone-else/worried-about-a-friend-or-family-member/>



Summer Safety

With the summer holidays fast approaching, many of our young people are looking forward to beach days, bike rides, road trips and spending time with friends. It's a fun season but also brings the potential for our young people to get into dangerous situations, which we should be mindful of. Please use the links below to help keep your child safe and happy over the summer holidays.

Water Safety

Water safety can be an area of risk in rising temperatures, with around 400 people dying from drowning as a result of an accident in or around water. Most of these incidents can be prevented with awareness and education.

<https://rnli.org/safety>



Road and Cycle Safety

Road and cycle safety are another area of risk for young people over the summer break. 78% <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/road-accident-and-safety-statistics-factsheets> of young people involved in road accidents are the result of failing to look properly when on or around the road.

<https://www.think.gov.uk/>

Online Safety During the Summer

With more time to spare, young people may want to chat to their friends through social media. It's a good time to make sure your child is using age-appropriate sites safely.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/staying-safe-online-in-the-summer-holidays>



National Online Safety Certified School

We are delighted to announce that Brompton Academy has been designated as a National Online Safety School, highlighting our continued dedication to safeguarding our entire community.

This is a fantastic opportunity to remind all stakeholders that you all have access to the nationally acclaimed resources by National Online Safety presenter Myleene Klaas, covering a range of topics including:



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online Relationships • Online Bullying • Online Grooming • Child Sexual Exploitation • Sexual Harassment & Violence • Sexting • Live Streaming • Online Identity • Screen Addiction • Social Media Platforms | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online Gambling • Radicalisation, Terrorism & Extremism • Age-Inappropriate Content • Copyright & Ownership • Hacking • Fake News • Online Fraud • Personal Data • Pornography • Games & Trends |
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We recommend reading the material and courses available to parents/carers in line with current trends and seasonal behaviours. To create an account, please click on the following link and complete your details. When you're set up, you will be able to set 'Parent/Carer' as your user type:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/brompton-academy>

We are looking forward to the academic year 2022/2023 when we have plans to continue our online safety practices and education within the Academy.

Green Recycling Uniform Project

We are pleased to announce we will be launching our new Brompton Academy Green Recycling Uniform project in Term 1. This project will enable our parents/carers to have an alternative choice when purchasing branded uniform items for their children.

This exciting new project means we are working towards becoming more environmentally friendly and encouraging a greener uniform offer, and at the same time we can offer a more affordable range to families looking to save some money and support our Mini School rewards system.

Parents/carers will be invited to purchase recycled branded uniform items from Term 1 via ParentPay, so please keep a look out regarding this project via emails and our social media platforms, as we will be posting news and updates very soon.

All profits raised for this project will go back into the Mini School system, so we are creating funds for future student projects. We are now looking for donations of clean, good quality items of branded uniform. If you can help us get this project started, please contact us by emailing recyclinguniform@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk to arrange for a convenient drop off time for your donations.

Associates of Brompton Academy



The Associates of Brompton Academy are a motivated, keen, and determined group of parents/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.

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:

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Twitter: @BromptonAcademy
Instagram: @BromptonAcademy



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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 lettings@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk, alternatively, click the the following link: <https://www.bromptonacademy.org.uk/facilities>

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