



News, Events, and Updates at Brompton Academy

Summer Showcase

On Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th July 2023, the Academy's Assembly Hall was filled with laughter and excitement for the Summer Showcase!

The days leading up to the showcase were very busy with many rehearsals taking place. To prepare for the evening performances, rehearsals were performed for various classes throughout the Academy day. Students left the Assembly Hall with huge smiles on their faces after watching the flawless performance.

Students that participated really enjoyed the experience and said they had a great time. It really was a fun fuelled experience for everyone involved. Parents, carers, friends and family loved the show. Wow, what a great event to end Term 6!

Thanks to all the students, dancers, singers, cheerleaders, actors and bands who took part in the showcase. Special thanks to Miss Conner, Miss Fox, Miss Augila and Miss Hough for putting together such an amazing night. Finally, a thanks to our wonderful audience for being so respectful throughout the show.







Academies Trust (UKAT)







Mini School News

During the last academic year, the Mini Schools (MS) have enjoyed an amazing array of competitions, challenges, and charity events. Students have taken part in the activities with enthusiasm and camaraderie, embodying the ethos of the Mini School system.

Congratulations to Rutherford MS students and staff who have been crowned the overall Mini School Champions 2022/2023! A special well done to Mr Webster (Head of Rutherford MS). The MS trophy was handed over to Rutherford MS during the Sports Day competitions.

There have been many amazing achievements, as a team and from individual students, from each MS.

Term 6 Leader Board

Mini Schools	Position
Rutherford	1st
Darwin	2nd





Woolf	3rd
Turing	4th
Keynes	5th



Sports Day 2023

Sports Day 2023 took place over two days, with Year 7 and Year 8 competing on Tuesday 18th July, and Year 9 and Year 10 on Wednesday 19th July. Students participated in their Mini Schools, battling it out to win the prestigious sports day trophy!

Students had the opportunity to take part in field events such as shot put, high jump, javelin, discus, and track events from 1500m down to 100m. In between heats, students also took part in a fun game of tug of war which was a roaring success!

Here are the results:

Year 7 and Year 8

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

Year 9 and Year 10

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

Overall Winners 2023 - Woolf Mini School!

It was amazing to see the Academy come together and support each other - the students absolutely loved it!

Throughout the day, students were able to purchase ice creams and food from the BBQ. All profits were donated to Woolf Mini School's chosen charity, The Laurence Plummer Foundation, which supports children from disadvantaged backgrounds to access sport.

If you would like to find out further information about The Laurence Plummer Foundation, please visit the following link: <u>https://thelaurenceplummerfoundation.org.uk/</u>



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Eliot Centre Sports Day

On Tuesday 11th July 2023, the Academy hosted their first ever Eliot Centre Sports Day, which was a huge success! Over 50 students competed for their Mini Schools in a range of field and track events, all showing resilience and enthusiasm.

Woolf Mini School hosted charity stalls selling a range of refreshments and sweets, and all proceeds went to The Laurence Plummer Foundation.

Here are the results:

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









Secondary School Games Cricket



On Thursday 15th June 2023, eight Year 7 students were selected to represent the Academy at Cricket at the Secondary School Games event, which was held at Lordswood Cricket Club.

The team started the tournament by winning back to back games against Rochester Independent College and St John Fisher. Although eventual winners, Rainham Mark, proved too strong, Brompton Academy finished the group in second place and went through to play for the bronze medal. This match took place against Thomas Aveling and was a very exciting game, with Thomas Aveling narrowly winning to claim the bronze medal. The Academy finished in fourth place out of eight schools.

Overall, it was an excellent days cricket, with our students

showing high levels of team work, individual skills, and good sportspersonship.

On Tuesday 20th June 2023, a combined Year 9 and Year 10 team took to the field to play Sir Joseph Williams Maths School B team. This was the first time that a Brompton Academy team had played hard ball cricket. The team won the toss and elected to bowl first, and under Captain Felix, restricted the Maths School to 104 from their 15 overs.

With some excellent bowling from Joel, Dawud, and Felix, the team gained confidence in their fielding and took some really good catches. Wicketkeeper Romeo was also in fine form behind the stumps, communicating with his team to great effect. As Brompton Academy commenced their run chase, there was some fantastic hitting from Felix and Dawud to get to the scoreboard, moving towards the total required to win.

Brompton Academy batted exceptionally well, and managed to hit the winning runs with two overs to spare thanks to Alfie and Romeo. Player of the match was Dawud for his wicket taking bowling and excellent batting.

The team represented the Academy to their finest ability, showing respect to the opposition, and playing the game in the right spirit.

Congratulations to both the Year 7, Year 9, and Year 10 teams!

Secondary School Games District Athletics

During Term 6, 53 students represented Brompton Academy at the Secondary School Games District Athletics competition. This is an extremely prestigious event, where one student is selected per year group for each discipline.





This event is the biggest sporting competition of the year for Brompton Academy, with approximately 15 Medway schools taking part. It was our most successful District Athletics in history, with 19 medals won by our Academy students. Some of our students have never competed at an event of this scale before. Our students were a credit to the Academy and their behaviour and sportspersonship was exemplary.

The PE Department are very proud of all the students who took part.

Here are the results:

Overall, the Academy boys team were placed fifth and the girls team were placed eighth.

Here are results for our individual medal winners:

Year 7

100m - 1st Place - Amiyah 800m - 1st Place - David Javelin - 2nd Place - David Discus - 2nd Place - Ramat High Jump - 2nd Place - Mylan Girls Relay - 3rd Place

Year 8

High Jump - **1st Place - Aaron** 100m - **3rd Place - Aaron** 200m - **1st Place - Pixie** Shot Put - **2nd Place - Adnan** Discus - **3rd Place - Maja**



Year 10

Long Jump - **1st Place - Daniel** 200m - **3rd Place - Daniel** High Jump - **1st Place - Jegboi** Javelin - **1st Place - Felix** 400m - **1st Place - Felix** 400m - **1st Place - Lennon** Discus - **3rd Place - Dylan** Discus - **3rd Place - Polly** Boys Relay - **2nd Place**

In addition to the District Athletics, Brompton Academy students have also been competing in a range of sports events.

The series of events is highly valued across Medway and is extremely competitive. The PE Department would like to congratulate all students that have been selected for an SSG event throughout the year and have represented the Academy.

Here are the final results for schools in Medway:

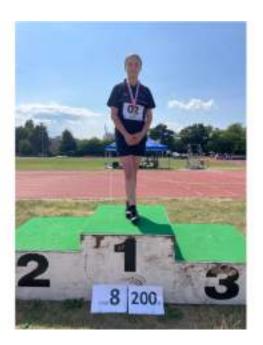
BA Boys Team - 2nd Place overall (for the second year running!) BA Girls Team - 5th Place overall

Congratulations to all students who were involved.













Year 11 Celebration BBQ

Brompton Academy recently held its Year 11 End of Year BBQ and Celebration Assembly to honour the accomplishments of its Year 11 students. The event was a celebration of their journey and achievements.

The celebrations began with a BBQ, where students and staff enjoyed delicious food and shared in the joy of their journey throughout the Academy.







This was followed by the Leavers Assembly, where the outstanding achievements of the Year 11 students were acknowledged. Their hard work, growth, and contributions to the Academy community were celebrated with pride.

A special video presentation took everyone on a trip down memory lane, reminding them of the friendships, challenges, and milestones experienced throughout their educational journey at Brompton Academy.

The Year 11 Team would like to express their deepest congratulations to the Year 11 students on the completion of their GCSE exams, and we wish them the best. We look forward to seeing a lot of them returning in September to continue their educational journey in the UKAT Sixth Form.

The Year 11 End of Year BBQ and Celebration Assembly was a meaningful moment to honour the accomplishments of the 2023 class. Brompton Academy is proud of each student's achievements and excited for the positive impact they will make as they move forward into their chosen pathways.

Year 11 Prom

Brompton Academy recently hosted an unforgettable Year 11 Prom at the Priestfield Stadium, where students bid farewell to their secondary school journey in style. The event was a night of glamour, laughter, and treasured memories.

The evening began with a two-course meal that included a main meal and dessert. The beautifully decorated venue set the stage for an unforgettable evening. Adding to the evening, a sweet cart was provided by the Brompton Academy Associates for the promgoers, filled with an assortment of treats.

A professionally arranged photo booth provided the perfect opportunity for students to capture the magic of the night. With a plethora of fun props and backdrops, students posed, smiled, and struck poses, immortalising their friendships. Students were provided with their own digital copies to take home to enjoy and share.

Our Year 11 students took to the dance floor with enthusiasm with an assortment of different styles of dancing, impressing our Prom judges. The evening ended with several awards with the highlight of the evening being the announcement of the Prom Queen and King. Among the deserving candidates, Hannah and Harry were crowned Prom Queen and King, symbolising their outstanding character, leadership, and contributions to the Academy community.

The Year 11 Prom at Priestfield Stadium will forever hold a special place in the hearts of our students. It was an evening of celebration, camaraderie, and reflection as they marked the end of one chapter and embraced the beginning of another.





We would like to thank the staff who helped put together such an amazing night for our Year 11 students.





We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all our Year 11 students for their achievements, and wish them success and happiness in their future endeavours. The memories created at the Year 11 Prom will serve as a reminder of their time at Brompton Academy, forever cherished as they embark on their new journeys.



Year 11 Alton Towers Residential Trip

During the course of Year 11, we set our students the challenge to attend at least 100 revision sessions in our new after school study programme. A large amount of our students reached this target, with many even exceeding it. As a reward, 48 Year 11 students went on the end of year Alton Towers residential trip for three







days. Students arrived for an early 6:30am start to arrive at the Alton Towers resort, ready for the first afternoon being spent in the Splash Landings water park. This was followed by a quick round of crazy golf before dinner back at the hotel resort.

The next day the group spent time at the Alton Towers theme park, with our students enjoying many of the big rides throughout the day. In the evening we travelled to Stoke for an all you can eat Chinese buffet dinner for our final meal all together. On the final day students had time exploring and enjoying the rides and experiences before heading home late afternoon. We all had a great time at Alton Towers and it was a great final send off to our Year 11 students who worked very hard this year.



Personal and Professional Development

During Term 6, Year 9 students have been looking at healthy eating habits, factors that influence food choices, different types of eating disorders and how to access support for them.

Should you need any information to further support your child, please see the links below.

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.

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.

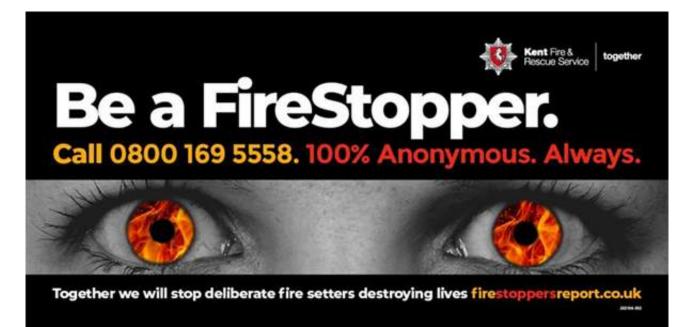
https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/staving-safeonline-in-the-summer-holidays

Think-U-Know (online safety)

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

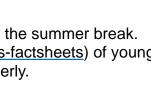
Kent Fire and Rescue

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





RESPECT











Open Road

Throughout June and July, Open Road (charity) visited the Academy to provide an information stand in the Refectory. The information stand is designed to empower young people, families, and communities to lead healthy and more meaningful lives.

Students were able to find out how different addictive substances such as vapes, and how they can affect different parts of your body, and they were able to ask lots of questions.





Book Donations Wanted!

The History Department are looking to set up a classroom library of history books in order to encourage wider reading and interest in the subject. Our GCSE and Sixth Form students also greatly benefit from this when studying for their exams and completing their coursework.



If you have any unwanted history books at home that you would like to donate, please drop them off at the Academy reception. No amount is too big or too small!

Year 8 Camping Trip

Year 8 had a wonderful camping trip in June. 50 students took part in rock climbing, canoeing, abseiling, rifle shooting, zip wiring and all sorts of other challenges.

As well as these activities, the students set up their own tents and some students were involved in cooking and the washing up!





Students attitudes were positive, supportive of each other, and good humoured despite the hot days and cold nights. Thankfully though, the rain held off!

Food fussiness disappeared as the students tucked into breakfasts and lunches, improvised from the previous evening's leftovers, and all survived the four days and three nights without their phones or any social media!



All in all, the staff and students had a fantastic time and a big thank you to Mr Grimes, Ms Hough, Ms Fox, Mr Mesure, Mrs Toghill and Mr Swan for supporting the trip.

Library News

Literacy Sessions with University of Kent

Our Literacy activities with Ambassadors from the University of Kent continue - we have followed up our daily literacy activities with a weekly session to embed and reinforce the skills we practised in Terms 3 and 4. The Ambassadors are a great source of inspiration for our students and help them practise essential skills.





New Chess Club

Our Chess Club has been newly launched in Term 6 and has been a rousing success! Students from all ages learn from play and coach each other, as well as taking a few moments in between strategising to socialise!





Myths and Legends Theatre Visit

With the kind support of our Trustee and Chair of the Local Governors, Richard Ebanks, a group of Year 7 students enjoyed a trip to the Orchard Theatre, where they saw amazing puppetry as the cast enacted mythical creatures from different cultures around the world.



Duke of Edinburgh Award



It has been another busy term for our students participating in the Duke of Edinburgh Award (DofE). Year 9 and Year 10 students have been working hard to complete their outstanding sections for Volunteering, Physical, and Skill. Good luck to our students who are finishing their sections over the summer!

Letters have been sent out inviting students to sign up for the next level of the Award in September 2023. Parents/carers will be able to sign their child up via ParentPay from Monday 4th September and registration closes on Friday 15th September 2023.





Information assemblies for Year 8 students to start the Bronze Award took place this term, which has created a buzz for the new cohort wanting to start in September.

Congratulations to our Year 9 students who attended the DofE Cooking Elective, which took place in Chatham Grammar's brand new Food Technology room, with external tutor Lisa Malone. Students who completed the Cooking Elective have completed the Bronze Skill section of the Award.





Congratulations to the following Silver Award students who opted to participate in the Emergency First Aid Elective to complete their Skill section of the Award. They are now all fully qualified for Emergency First Aid:

Tyler, Timmy, Liberty, Daniel, Max, Lacey, Adam, William and Divine







Huge congratulations to Natalia and Aaron, Year 9 students, who have completed all sections of the Bronze Award.

Careers Corner Term 6

The Careers Hub has had a busy few months, with the Careers Business Networking Breakfast in June, our Brompton Academy Careers Fair, and a visit from a Veterinary Surgeon to Year 10 and Year 12 students.



Our visitors for June's Careers Business Networking Breakfast were Anil Chauhan (RAF), Alina Sacalus (Bowmer & Kirkland Construction) and Richard Ebanks (Dental Surgeon and one of our Trustees and Chair of the Local Governing Board). The 20 students who attended were engaged with all the speakers, asking some fantastic questions, which was great to see.







Career of the Month

Each month the Careers Team display posters and information around the Academy, with information about different careers. The key skills required are highlighted, along with available apprenticeships. Our 'Career of the Month' for July was an 'Air Quality Consultant'.

Careers Fair

On Wednesday 5th July 2023, we held our annual Careers Fair for all our students. We invited over 28 employers and training providers to attend, and the students were interacting with all of them, asking questions, finding out about the different career options available to them, as well as different college and university courses.

The Careers Fair was a fantastic opportunity for all year groups, and the employers' feedback has been so positive, complimenting the students on their impeccable behaviour.



Our Year 10 and Year 12 students also had the pleasure to talk with a Veterinary Surgeon, who spoke about university applications and life working as a vet. The students gained so much useful information from the talk to help them with their next academic journey.







Nature Grant Success!

Brompton Academy has been successful in applying for a Local School Nature Grant to support the Gardening Club.

The grant is open to schools and early years settings in England, Scotland, and Wales. This outdoor learning grant fund has two elements – \pounds 500 of outdoor equipment chosen from a catalogue of over 100 items, and an outdoor learning training course for our staff.

Jennifer Pound and James Whitehead worked together on the application and were successful in the latest round. We have been awarded the equipment below which will benefit all our students to increase the bio-diversity at the Academy.

The Gardening Club is also run within the Eliot Centre Garden and the equipment below will allow this to grow.

The Easi-Scope cameras will be used by various departments to study close up images. The Wildlife camera will be used to map and chart activity across the site and the data can be used within the Maths Department for practical lessons. The seeds will be planted within our nature pockets and will self-seed, year after year, supporting the bio-diversity of the site.

We also have two hours of training on Gardening for Biodiversity, which will be arranged with all those involved in the Gardening Club. This training module will give us some practical tips for getting going and will include content around growing, nurturing, harvesting and eating produce we have grown.











Brompton Academy Associates Need You!



Brompton Academy Associates are a small team of super friendly volunteers, dedicated to raising valuable funds for the sole benefit of Brompton Academy students.

However, we do need more help from parents, carers, grandparents, aunts and uncles to enable our young people at BA to flourish, enjoy, and maximise as many opportunities as possible while learning.

Here are some examples of what we have been able to support and fund so far.....

Library resources - including books, SEN Christmas event, and games

Trip costs – paying for the coach costs £500 for the World Challenge Trip

Year 11 Prom – donated £500 towards the cost of the event

Music resources – allocated £700 towards the cost of microphones and music electrical leads for students

We are extremely proud of what we have achieved and we want to achieve so much more but, if we cannot get more help, we may not be able to continue this great work!

We currently meet online by Zoom in the early evening, six times throughout the academic year for about one hour, to review and plan our actions for some great events and activities for the young people at Brompton Academy.





If you have a small amount of spare time and feel like "giving something back", why not contact Jo Price (joprice@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk)

and find out more about how we work and how you could help.

It is very rewarding and a lot of fun!

Best wishes, David Taylor - Chair

Hawaiian BBQ

On Friday 9th June 2023, Year 7 and Year 8 students attended the Hawaiian BBQ - the final event of the year hosted by the Brompton Academy Associates. Students enjoyed the warm weather, and were singing, dancing, eating BBQ food and ice creams and having lots of fun! Another impressive sweetie hamper was also raffled, and a great afternoon was had by all.

The Hawaiian BBQ is a fundraising event organised by the Associates of Brompton Academy. Our next event will be the Year 7 and Year 8 Halloween film night in October 2023. Follow our social media pages for the latest updates.

This term, our BA Associates were able to offer funding to support the Year 11 Prom, and also provided a sweet cart at the event for the 176 students that attended. Our fabulous Associates, Debbie and Terry, came along to serve the students the sweets they had generously provided.









Free Talk Therapy for Adults

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







Facilities for Hire

We are pleased to advise that Brompton Academy's facilities are available to hire. For a full list of facilities available and to book, please visit <u>https://schoolhire.co.uk/</u>



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







Kids Eat Free (or for £1)



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023



COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day. Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

TESCO

Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

TRAVELODGE

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays & up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast

PREMIER INN

Buy I Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 & get one free kids meal all day, every day.

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

BILLS

2 kids eat FREE all day, every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

SA BRAINS PUBS

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays

FUTURE INNS

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

YOI SUSHI

From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

TO BE CONFIRMED ...

M&S and Farmhouse Inns

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Free Places for Icon Theatre Club







Join Icon's action-packed Theatre Club this summer

Mon 7 - Fri 11 Aug, Mon 14 - Fri 18 Aug, Mon 21 - Fri 25 Aug, 10am - 3pm

Explore the exciting worlds of acting, dance, music, craft and storytelling. Plus, play games and make a theatre show in a week to share with friends and family.

Icon's Theatre Club is part of MedwayGo's Holiday, Activities and Food programme and includes a daily, healthy hot or cold meal.

Taking place at:

The Academy of Woodlands New Horizons Children's Academy The Robert Napier School Strood Academy

Sign up for one day, one week or more.

www.icontheatre.org.uk



*This opportunity is free and open to young people aged 8 to 14 who receive free school meals.









Icon Theatre Club is a Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) enrichment programme funded by MedwayGo.