



NEWSLETTER

18th April 2019

Headteacher Message

It has been a strong start back following the Easter break. Events such as a Macbeth performance for Year 10 and both a 3D design and Art exam have set the tone for what is sure to be a term that mixes the all-important Year 11 examinations with great opportunities for our young people. There are only 3 weeks remaining until the Year 11 exam window opens. It is essential that every single pupil attends every single revision session. Now is not the time for excuses or other commitments. The next few weeks can define the lives of Year 11. However, I am pleased to report that they have returned from Easter with a strong work ethic.



Lee McConaghie
Headteacher

In this first summer newsletter, I am pleased to formally announce and launch our now annual summer fair (13th July) in partnership with Partington Central Academy and Forest Gate Academy. This was a significant success last year with what felt like the whole of Partington pouring into our grounds for a great end of term summer celebration. We certainly hope to see you all there once more.

Dates For Your Diary

Friday 19 th April – Good Friday	School Closed
Monday 22 nd April – Easter Monday	School Closed
Monday 6 th May – May bank holiday	School Closed
Monday 13 th May	Start of GCSE Exams

APPOINTMENT SYSTEM



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Please ensure that you make an appointment if you wish to speak to a member of staff regarding your child.

Please do not arrive at school and expect to see a member of staff if you have not made a mutually convenient appointment.

I am sure you can appreciate that staff have busy timetables and duty responsibilities as well as many other daily roles. Whilst staff will endeavour to return your calls or see you in a timely manner it is not always possible to see parents/carers immediately.



Parental Expectations

Broad oak School will not tolerate any violence or verbal aggression towards staff. We are committed to promoting a safe and healthy workplace for our employees.

Our staff come to work to help and support young people, not to become victims of violence, threatening behaviour, verbal abuse, racial abuse or discrimination. Please be respectful at all times.

Any parent or visitor who treats any member of staff in this way will not be welcome on our premises and will be reported to the police.

Year 11 Revision Summer 1 2019

Department Revision Sessions

Summer 1

- Option subjects shared out post 3.00pm Friday
- Form time English/Maths revision Tuesdays/Thursdays

	MON	TUE	WEDS	THUR	FRI
AM 8-8.40	Performing Arts	Performing Arts	Performing Arts	Performing Arts	Performing Arts
Lunch	Triple Science English – key text film showing	History English – key text film showing	English – key text film showing	Art English – key text film showing	English – key text film showing
3.00	English	Business Maths	Business Science Triple Science	Business History Geography MFL	Health & Social, RE, Applied and Creative, Sport
		Business (Invite only)	Business (Invite only)	Business (Invite only)	



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Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to clarify our procedure with mobile devices such as phones and 'smart' watches and to explain how we deal with confiscated devices.

As you are aware, pupils are banned from using mobile devices at any time during the school day, including at break and lunch times. We accept that pupils will have devices with them for use on their way to and from school, but these should be switched off and out of sight whilst they are on the school premises. For the avoidance of doubt, this means anywhere on school premises, whether inside or outside the building. If a member of staff sees (or hears) a pupil using a mobile device, it will be confiscated and kept until the end of the week unless a parent comes into school to collect it.

There are several good reasons for this long standing rule: mobile devices distract pupils from their learning, interfere with lessons, provide access to the social media that is sometimes used for bullying and create opportunities for photographs and videos to be taken of students and staff without their permission.

In practice, we very much hope that pupils will have the good sense not to use their devices in school when they are fully aware of the consequences. We ask for your support in stressing to your child that if they don't break the rule they will not have their device confiscated.

In addition, I must ask that you do not encourage your child to ignore this school rule by contacting them during school hours or asking them to contact you. We have a clear system for parents to contact pupils during school hours via the pastoral secretary and this is much more reliable than contacting a mobile device that may end up being confiscated as a result. Similarly, if a pupil feels ill they should seek first aid at Student Services or speak to their head of year. Pupils should not contact parents directly or they will have their phone confiscated.

I hope that you will support us in tackling the issue of mobile devices in school. National research supports the idea that mobiles can be a real distraction for pupils and we do, as always, have the best interests of all our pupils at heart.

Yours sincerely,

Fraser Mackintosh
Assistant Headteacher

What's on in Manchester this weekend?



Every week the newsletter will be giving you an update on events happening in and around Manchester that the whole family could get involved in. Below are a few activities the pupils may enjoy this weekend.

10th Annual Duck Race! Is happening on the River Irwell on New Bailey Street on the 19th April at 11 am. Watch thousands of ducks enter the canal and even enter a duck yourself!

<https://www.brainwave.org.uk/Event/2019-manchester-duck-race>

Jodrell Bank are holding free walking tours every day at 3.15pm. The tours last 45 minutes and will include a stroll around the famous Lovell telescope.

<http://www.jodrellbank.net/events/telescope-walking-tours-3/>

Dunham Massey are hosting an exhibition this weekend called Faces of Change:

Nature's Champions. See paintings, sculptures and objects from the National Portrait Gallery's collection, alongside objects from Dunham Massey's own collection that link the National Trust place to some of the sitters.

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/dunham-massey/features/faces-of-change-natures-champions>



Murder at the Fuse

Year 10 were treated to a dramatic performance of Macbeth in the Fuse this week. From the sinister drumming beat of the witches' spells to a hysterical spiral into madness, the play was vividly brought to life by players from the Manchester Actors' Company. Although there were only three cast members they managed to deliver the whole breadth of the play with clever costume changes, adept cutting between scenes and even including the audience as part of the feast.

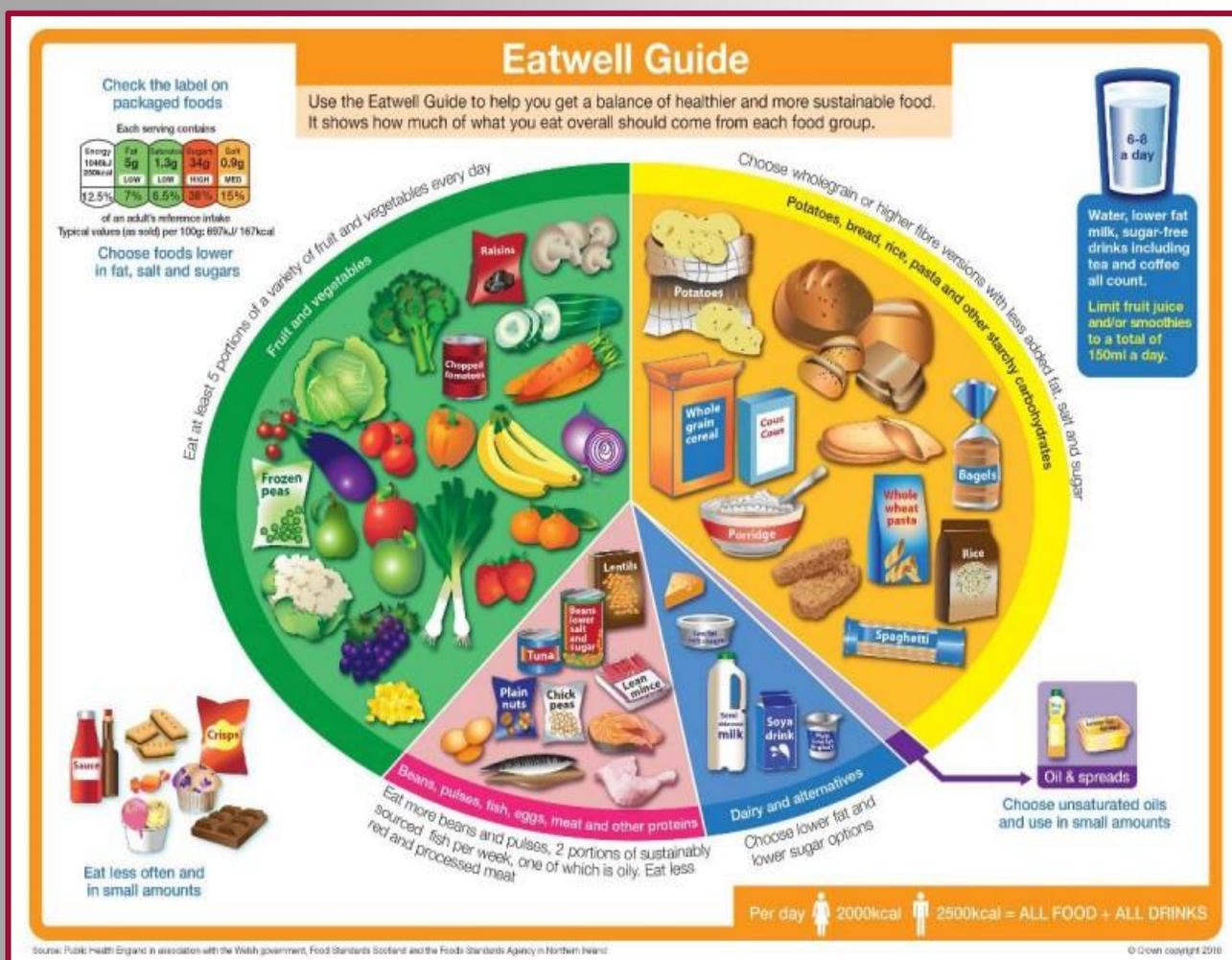
The performance was followed by a Q&A session which enabled pupils to explore some of the key ideas in a play which they don't really know yet. The actors and director expanded on the central themes which make up the discussion and analysis of this complex and challenging text. This was a powerful and memorable introduction to the play and provides the perfect launching point to study it.



Broadoak Active Health

A reminder that all family sized/sharing sized bags of crisps (to include Pringles), sweets, chocolates, whole packets of biscuits and lollipops are not allowed in school and these items will be confiscated and disposed of if brought on site. Please encourage your child to make healthy choices if they are bringing snacks into school.

As you know, it's important that pupils eat healthily whilst at school because nutritious food is essential to a growing child's development and concentration. At Broadoak, we believe that each pupil deserves a choice of foods that are not only appealing, but also good for their bodies and so recently there have been some changes in the canteen to encourage pupils to make healthy choices and we're working on developing the healthy options available in the summer term.





Broadoak School Presents

Performing Arts Club

Do you love to sing, act and dance or want to try something new? Then come and join in the fun!

***Every Wednesday 3pm-4pm in
the Drama room***

Ask Miss Croydon or Miss Werrett for more information

PosterMyWall.com



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SUMMER FAIR

Hosted by Broadoak School, Partington Central Academy and Forest Gate Academy.
In association with parents, pupils, staff and governors.



Saturday 13th July 1-4pm

AT BROADOAK SCHOOL
LIVE MUSIC * GAMES * PRIZES
BAR * HOG ROAST * FOOD * DRINK
& MUCH MORE...

FREE ENTRY