

# Thomas Knyvett College – Weekly Newsletter

**9 WEEKS UNTIL GCSE EXAMS BEGIN**

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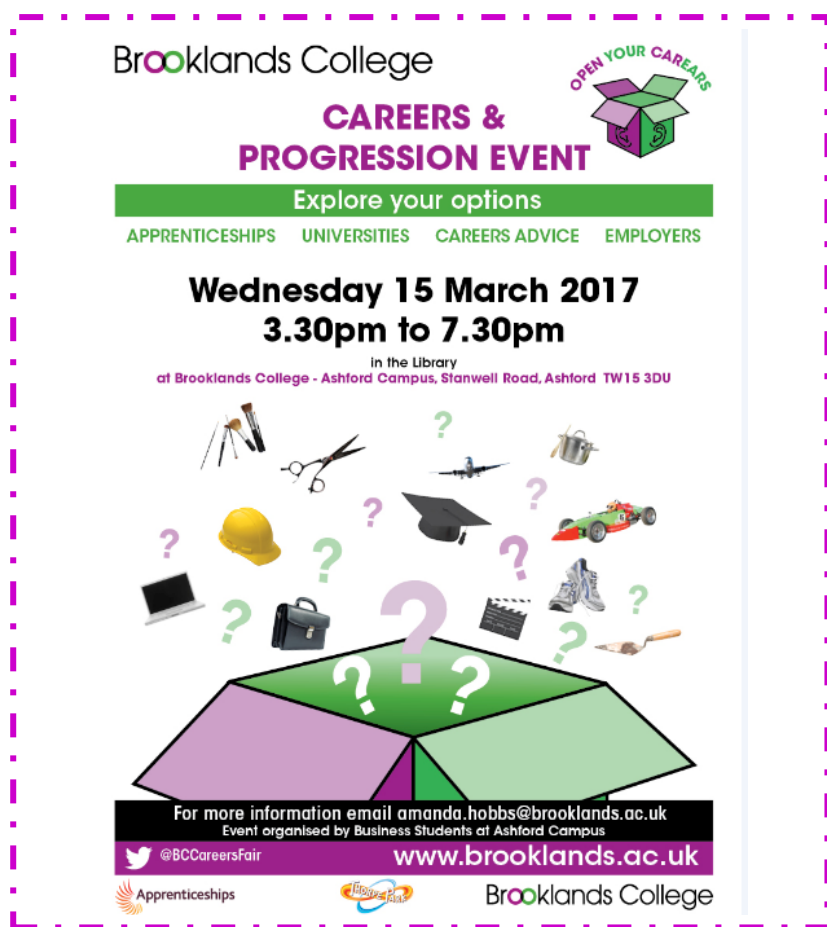
## CAREERS FAIR @ BROOKLANDS COLLEGE ASHFORD


Brooklands College Ashford are holding a Careers Fair on Wednesday 15 March. Their event is 3:30pm-7:30pm and on the same evening as their Open Evening (5:30pm-7:30pm). They have invited our students in Years 10 and 11 to attend.

This is a fantastic opportunity for Year 10 students to visit the college as well as the Careers Fair and to speak to teachers and existing students of the college, a careers advisor, businesses that offer apprenticeships and higher education providers.

For Year 11 this is a good opportunity to visit a careers fair, particularly for those still unsure about their career path. For any who are interested in apprenticeships, there will be employers such as Thorpe Park, who may well be looking to fill vacancies.

The college have asked for rough numbers of those students who are interested in attending, so if your child would like to go please ask them to let Mrs Manning know.



Brooklands College  
**CAREERS & PROGRESSION EVENT**  
Explore your options  
APPRENTICESHIPS UNIVERSITIES CAREERS ADVICE EMPLOYERS  
**Wednesday 15 March 2017**  
**3.30pm to 7.30pm**  
In the Library  
at Brooklands College - Ashford Campus, Stanwell Road, Ashford TW15 3DU  
For more information email [amanda.hobbs@brooklands.ac.uk](mailto:amanda.hobbs@brooklands.ac.uk)  
Event organised by Business Students at Ashford Campus  
@BCCareersFair [www.brooklands.ac.uk](http://www.brooklands.ac.uk)  
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## PARENT FORUM



The Parent Forum can be found on the homepage on the VLE, each week various members of staff will post a different topic for discussion. Just click on the Parent Forum button (image above) and reply to the post from the school.

This week's topic is:

[Do you have any suggestions as to how the Languages Department could help your child learn and practice their language skills at home?](#)

## YEAR 7 FLEECE CUSHIONS - TEXTILES



Year 7 have been busy making applique fleece cushions.

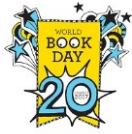
The theme was 'sea life' and they really enjoyed learning basic sewing skills to produce the brightly coloured products.

Well done year 7!



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## WORLD BOOK DAY IN THE LRC



Thank you to everyone who bought books at our World Book Day book sale. We raised over £80.00 for Great Ormond Street Hospital!

Well done to the winners of the Roving Book Quiz, *We're Going on a Book Hunt*; who win a £5.00 WHSmith voucher. The Year 7 winners are George Bower and Innaya Dias-Choudry, and the Year 8 winner is Adam Khan.

## WANTED! PTA MEMBERS

### Wanted!

Enthusiastic parents for the PTA

Everyone welcome but we also have two important roles to be filled ASAP:

### Chair and Treasurer

Do you want to help raise money for extras for the students at TKC?

Can you come to a meeting once every two months?

Have you got fab fundraising ideas?

Contact the PTA on [pta@thomasknyvett.org](mailto:pta@thomasknyvett.org) for more information, without any commitment.

Next meeting dates:

10/5 & 12/7

at 6:30pm

Come along and meet us

## Dates for your Diary

13 March:	Year 11 Drama Performance 6:00pm in the Drama Studio
15 March:	Aspire Career Lab with British Gas – All Year 8 students
16 March:	Brooklands College, Weybridge 12 x Year 10 students
20 March:	<b>INSET Day</b>
21 March:	Face Up Theatre Trip 30 x Years 7-9 students
23 March:	TKC Live Lounge
28 March:	GOAL Celebrations 11:05am in A04
29 March:	Young Singing Leadership Evening Workshop 3:30pm-4:45pm 15 x Years 9 & 10 students
31 March:	Bedfont Lakes 'The Hobble' Walk (whole school)
31 March:	Last day of term
w/c 3 April:	EASTER HOLIDAY
18 April:	Start of term
19 April:	Kingston University Trip 40 x Year 7 students
w/c 24 April:	<a href="#">Work Experience</a>
26 April:	Young Singing Leadership Evening Workshop 3:30pm-4:45pm 15 x Years 9 & 10 students
27 April:	Year 8 Parents Evening
1 May:	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
4 May:	TKC Careers Fair
5 May:	Readathon Selected Year 7 & 8 students
11 May:	Year 7 Parents Evening
w/c 15 May:	<a href="#">GCSE Examinations begin</a>
16 May:	<a href="#">Year 10 Geography Selsey Trip</a> 45 x Year 10 students
17 May:	Young Singing Leadership Evening Workshop 3:30pm-4:45pm 15 x Years 9 & 10 students
26 May:	Last day of term
w/c 29 May:	HALF TERM
5 June:	Start of term

## LITERACY CHALLENGE

### SYNONYMS

Write as many synonyms for the word below as you can.

Bad



Synonyms for good:

- Decent
- Respectable
- Moral
- Upright
- Virtuous
- Noble
- Worthy
- blameless

## ABSENCE CONTACT DETAILS

If your child is unwell please contact Mrs Canton on 01784 243824

(then select '1' on the keypad which will then divert directly to the absence line)

and follow the instructions or via email

[canton\\_v@thomasknyvett.org](mailto:canton_v@thomasknyvett.org)

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# MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

Mental Health Charities, all provide amazing support and resources.



## PUNCTUATION OF THE WEEK AT TKC

Full stop ( . )

Full stops are used:

1. to mark the end of a sentence that is complete statement:

My name's Beth and I was 18 in July.

2. In some abbreviations, for example etc., Dec., or p.m.:

The coffee morning will be held on Thursday 15 Sept. in the Waterfront Restaurant.

3. In website and email addresses:

www.oup.com

4. If an abbreviation with a full stop comes at the end of a sentence you do not need to add another full stop:

Bring your own pens, pencils, rulers, etc.

## CHEWING GUM REMINDER

In recent weeks there has been an increase in the number of chewing gum incidents. Please be reminded that chewing gum is not permitted in school and will result in a **D2 chewing gum sanction**. If a student receives this sanction, they will have a **lunchtime detention** the following day.

If a student receives three or more chewing gum sanctions in a half term their parents/carers will be invited in for a meeting and the student will sign a contract, agreeing that they will receive no chewing gum sanctions. If this contract is broken it will result in the student receiving a **1-hour community service detention** after school.

Successful and unsuccessful people do not vary greatly in their abilities. They vary in their desires to reach their potential.

- John Maxwell

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## HAIR CUT REMINDER

Please be reminded that hair should not be cut shorter than a **grade 2**, and that students are not permitted to have **undercuts, tramlines** or **unnatural hair colours**.

These styles go against the school's uniform policy and will result in the student receiving a **D4 uniform sanction**.

Parents/carers will be notified via a phone call and the student will spend time in insolation. Parents/carers will also receive a letter to inform them of this sanction with a reminder regarding correct uniform.

## NATIONAL AWARENESS DAYS

On Saturday 18 March, the world will unite against Child Sexual Exploitation, highlighting the issues surrounding CSE and encouraging everyone to speak out. Social media will be scattered with photos and personal accounts using the #helpinghands.

<http://www.stop-cse.org/national-child-exploitation-awareness-day/>

[Mental Health Awareness at www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com)

Below is a list of this month's online forums, running Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 7:30pm–10:00pm:

- Friday 10 March - Apprenticeships and Getting into Work
- Monday 13 March - Fictional Characters
- Wednesday 15 March - Victims of Crime Project: Digital Footprint
- Friday 17 March - Fun Science: British Science Week
- Monday 20 March - Happiness (International Happiness Day)
- Wednesday 22 March - New Season: Spring Clean
- Friday 24 March - Equality
- Monday 27 March - Autism Awareness
- Wednesday 29 March - Bipolar Disorder
- Friday 31 March - Social Forum 'Takeover'

## MATHS CHALLENGE



Fonia noticed that her phone number read the same when viewed upside down.

Her number began 081 and was followed by seven digits.

The two-digit number formed by the fifth and sixth digits is divisible by eleven.

The two-digit number formed by the fourth and fifth digits is divisible by nine.

The two-digit number formed by the sixth and seventh digits is a square number.

What is Fonia's phone number?

[Last week's solution:](#)

$$14 \times 65 + 3 = 913$$

A reminder of the NHS guidelines regarding illness, absence and medication procedures. Please contact school if you have any queries regarding any of the information below.

It is inevitable that these seasons will bring many bugs with them! This information will hopefully be useful for you in terms of guidance around absence and whether you should send your child to school or not if you are unsure about their illness.

## Medication

Children can attend school even if they are taking medicines, including antibiotics. Mrs Canton can administer any medication to your child as directed, as long as the necessary consent form has been completed by the parent/carer. Please send in any medication with your child, clearly labelled with your child's name and how often they should take it.

## Coughs and colds

Children should be given a paracetamol, plenty of fluids to drink and can be sent to school. If your child is asthmatic, remember they may need their blue inhaler more often.

## Headache, earache and stomach ache

Children with headache, earache or stomach ache can attend school – just let school know that they have felt unwell. Give them a paracetamol and plenty of fluids to drink. If headache or earache persists, seek medical advice.

## High Temperature

Give a paracetamol and plenty to drink. After paracetamol, if your child feels better, bring them into school. If the temperature persists for three days or more, seek medical advice.

## Sore throats, tonsillitis and glandular fever

Children should be given paracetamol, plenty of fluids to drink and can be sent to school.

## Measles, Chicken Pox and German Measles

Measles – children should go back to school four days after the rash has started.

Chicken Pox – children should go back to school five days after the rash has started and the rash has visible scabs.

German measles – Children should go back to school six days after the rash has started.

Please let the school know as soon as you have any of the above diagnosed as pregnant members of staff may be affected.

## Mumps

Children should go back to school five days after the start of the swollen glands.

## Conjunctivitis

Children can attend school. They should be encouraged to wash their hands regularly to prevent further spread of infection.

## Head Lice

Children can go to school with head lice but they must be treated for the condition to prevent further spreading. Parents/carers should treat their children and other family members also.

This information has been taken from the Health Protection Agency document "Guidance in infection control in schools and other childcare settings". For further information go to [www.hpa.org.uk](http://www.hpa.org.uk)



You can't connect the dots looking forward; you can only connect them looking backward. So you have to trust that the dots will somehow connect in your future. You have to trust in something - your gut, destiny, life, karma, whatever. This approach has never let me down, and it has made all the difference in my life.

- Steve Jobs

## PE DEPARTMENT CLUBS

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH	Badminton CSP  (MUGA-ABL)	  (MUGA-HBO)	Badminton ABL  (MUGA-HBO)	Indoor cricket HBO  (MUGA-CSP)	Goldhawk's Basketball DRA  Gymnastics CSP  Hockey (MUGA-ABL/KPU)
AFTER SCHOOL	Department meetings	Girls Football JTA/Ashford  Table Tennis Ashford TT club	Boys Football DRA/HBO/ABL/KPU Ashford Town	Netball HWA/CSP/JTA  Rugby boys and girls (Staines Rugby) HBO/ABL	Indoor Cricket HBO

## SPORTS FIXTURES

Month	Date	Fixture	Year Group	- Vs -	Venue
Mar	14	Netball	Year 9	Thomas Knyvett	Thomas Knyvett
	21	Netball	Year 8	Thomas Knyvett	Thomas Knyvett
	23	Netball	Year 7	Thomas Knyvett	Thomas Knyvett
Apr	20	Football Finals	Year 10 Boys	Matthew Arnold	Matthew Arnold/T Knyvett
	21	Football Finals	Year 7 Boys	Matthew Arnold	Matthew Arnold/T Knyvett
	24	Football Finals	Year 9 Boys	Matthew Arnold	Matthew Arnold/T Knyvett
	25	Football Finals	Year 8 Boys	Matthew Arnold	Matthew Arnold/T Knyvett
	26	Football Finals	Year 8/9 Girls	Matthew Arnold	Matthew Arnold/T Knyvett
	27	Football Finals	Year 7 Girls	Matthew Arnold	Matthew Arnold/T Knyvett

## TERM DATES – ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017

**Please note these dates are subject to change.**

END OF TERM	31 March 2017
EASTER BREAK	3 April 2017 – 17 April 2017
SUMMER TERM 2017 STARTS	18 April 2017
HALF TERM	29 May 2017 – 2 June 2017
END OF TERM	21 July 2017

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