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Confirmation

It has been a great pleasure to lead Confirmation Assemblies this week for year 8, 9 & 10. Many students are keen attend preparation and to be confirmed this year. Confirmation is a time to become a fully active church member and to embark on a mature journey with God.

Walking with Jesus in the strength of the Holy Spirit is such an exciting and meaningful decision in the lives of our young people.

Students registering for Confirmation will attend classes in our Chapel to prepare them for the Confirmation service and they will have the opportunity to ask questions and meet other students who have decided to consider this opportunity.



We pray for all our students, those who are to be confirmed, and those who are undecided, or have chosen not to. We pray that God will bless them in all things and guide them to carry forward our Mercy Values in all they do, Amen



Weekly Prayer

Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

Thanks be to you, my Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits which you have given me,
for all the pains and insults which you have
borne for me.

O most merciful Redeemer, friend and
brother,
may I know you more clearly,
love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly,
day by day.
Amen.

Top Attendance Forms

| | | |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 94.5% | 95.8% | 92.4% |
| 7FRA | 8THO | 9MAX |
| 92.3% | 90.6% | 99% |
| 10NIC | 11CAT | 12FRA |

From our Archive



Sixth Formers at Colomendy March 1969.



**Liverpool
Called**

Confirmation for Year 8 Students and also older students who may have missed the opportunity in recent years

Dear parent/guardian,

The archdiocese of Liverpool is inviting young people in year 8 (*and above*) to receive the sacrament of confirmation.

Confirmation is a sacrament through which we receive the Holy Spirit to make us stronger and more perfect Christians and true witnesses of Jesus Christ.

The preparation for the sacrament will begin in school with an introduction to the sacrament from Animate, the archdiocesan youth ministry team.

Year 8 pupils will then study the subject of confirmation in their RE classes.

After the registration deadline has passed your child will be invited to preparation sessions in your local area (*parish / deanery*).

Following these local preparation times young people will be invited to be confirmed.

If your child would like to receive the sacrament of confirmation this year it is essential they register online at:

<https://liverpoolcalled.co.uk>

Registration must take place before the 17th March.

Please complete the form that can be accessed through clicking the button at the top right-hand side of the webpage (*'Register for Confirmation'*). If you are unable to do this at home please inform the school chaplain who will be able to help.

When a young person has registered, and after the deadline of the 17th March, they will be contacted by your local confirmation co-ordinator who will take you through the next steps of the preparation process.

Parishes will run their preparation at different times and you should contact your parish priest if you feel your child has not been invited to preparation meetings.

More details about the preparation scheme can be found on the liverpoolcalled.co.uk website or at animateyouth.org

If you have any questions, please contact Fr Simon Gore on s.gore@animateyouth.co.uk or your parish priest.



Disneyland Paris – Business and iMedia

We had 42 of our Y10 Business Studies and iMedia students visit Disneyland Paris this week. The students had the opportunity to attend the Business LIVE and Media LIVE conferences, hear from speakers from the business world and had a talk from the social media executive at Disney!

Students also had two days in the parks, Tuesday students spent the day at Disneyland Paris and on Wednesday they attended Walt Disney Studios.

It was a absolute pleasure to make memories that will last a lifetime for them and I am sure for many years the students will speak about the great time that they had.

All students where a credit to Broughton Hall and a big well done from us all.

From Mr Hesketh, Mrs Rock, Miss Flynn, Mr Halewood and Miss Anderson



Year 8 Attendance Reward

On Wednesday 12th February 70 year 8 pupils received their attendance reward. All have over 97% attendance! They enjoyed a pastry and a hot chocolate and got to spend time with their friends. Well done to you all!



Congratulations to Eva D Year 8

Eva D Year 8 is a member of the Liverpool Youth Bank which is part of the Alder Hey Youth Forum.

The forum were nominated to receive a Special Acknowledgement Honour in recognition of outstanding work in Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

This is a National awards ceremony for the NHS and the event took place in Sheffield on 13th Feb under the category of 'Children and Young Person Voice for change'.

The forum actually won the award !! – and Eva and the other young people have worked so hard to achieve this – we are so proud of her at Broughton Hall and wish the forum well on all of their future projects.



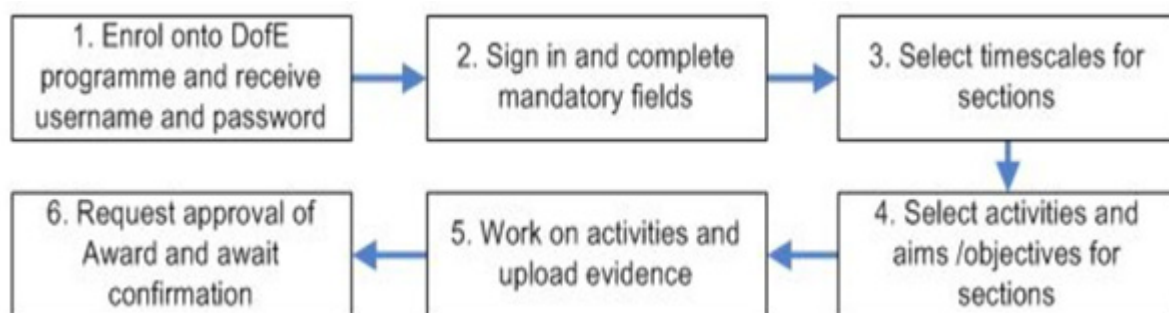
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Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award

Thank you to those parents and carers who have paid the initial £30 deposit for their daughters Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. If you have yet to pay, you should still find this payment item (Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award 2025 Enrolment) still open on Parent Pay. It reads as a trip (for administration purposes) although the Duke of Edinburgh Award is actually an additional qualification your daughter has the potential to achieve.

There is a cost for each new participant place. The deposits I have now received has allowed me to create their online e-dofe account. If your daughter returned her signed enrolment form, please ask her to check her school e-mail for her log in details.

On Thursday 6th March, I will be having a quick meeting with pupils in D9, after school, to take them through the initial log in process and explain to them what they need to do next.



More information about the Duke of Edinburgh can be found at dofe.org. Alternatively you can e-mail me any questions at halewoodj@broughtonhall.com

Mr Halewood – D of E Manager

Job of the WEEK



Safer Internet Day

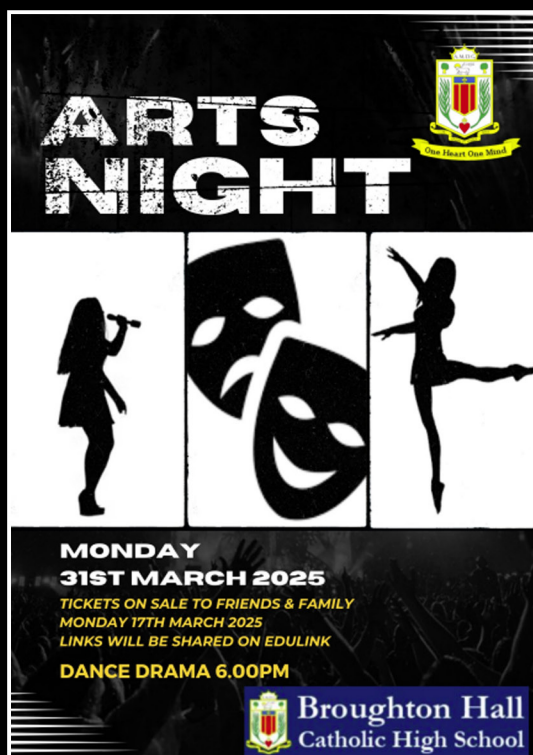
February 11th was Safer Internet Day around the World. The theme for this year was 'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online'.

On Thursday February 13th, all BH year 9 students attended an assembly given by Merseyside Police's CDCU (Cyber Dependent Crime Unit). They covered a range of topics from 'the internet never forgets', 'never using free public wifi', 'phishing' and 'oversharing'.

After the assembly, the twenty girls who achieved the best scores in their recent summative assessments were invited to take part in an 'Escape room' style activity. They had to try and clear a high ranking police officer of a crime she didn't commit through unlocking brief cases, decrypting codes and using ultra violet torches.

All our key stage 3 students did their usual half termly dip into ESafety in their computing lessons. One of the strands of the computing national curriculum is that our students need to understand a range of ways to use technology safely, respectfully, responsibly and securely, including protecting their online identity and privacy, recognising inappropriate content, contact and conduct and know how to report concerns. Below is the topics we currently cover.

| Year | Half term | ESafety Theme |
|------|-----------|--|
| 7 | 1 | Understanding and preventing identity theft |
| | 2 | Setting Strong Passwords |
| | 3 | Importance of Online Privacy |
| | 4 | Parenting and the Internet |
| | 5 | Inappropriate Online Content |
| 8 | 3 | Securing Your Online Content |
| | 4 | Cyberbullying |
| | 5 | Inappropriate Online Content II |
| 9 | 2 | Artificial Intelligence (AI) |
| | 3 | Generative AI & Merseyside Police Safer Internet Day |



AUDITIONS!

All singers & musicians!

There are a few places for soloists/groups for our upcoming Arts Night.

Auditions will be held for these on **Monday 10th March, 3.00-4.00pm** in Dance Drama or MU2.

Please make sure your parents sign you up on Edulink before attending audition.
Good luck



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YOUNG SONGWRITER COMPETITION 2025

1st February - 31st March

STAR JUDGES INCLUDE

**TOM GRENNAN
NINA NESBITT
MIRANDA COOPER
MNEK
CALUM SCOTT
EG WHITE
TOBY GAD
GAYLE
FREDDY WEXLER
CONNIE TALBOT
DAN GILLESPIE SELLS
PLESTED
HANNAH V
EMILY PHILLIPS
NAUGHTY BOY
KENNY BARBER**




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