

Brownlow Integrated College

Newsletter

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The BIC Samba Band Leads Hallowe'en Celebrations at Rushmere Shopping Centre!!



Loving the outfits and make-up!

Successful Mentoring Day 1 for Senior School

Thank you for the superb attendance from year 11 and 12 pupils and parents on our first Mentoring Day of this academic year. Each senior pu-

pil has a teacher-mentor, and together we looked at each individual pupil's progress and set smart targets for the next few months. We are

very much looking forward to working with pupils and parents again on mentoring day 2, Friday 25th January 2013.

Y8 pupils take part in Peer Mediation lessons each week with June Thornbury, where they investigate dealing with differences and having empathy and respect. Here's what they have to say so far...

"I love doing Peer Mediation with June. She is really nice and she treats us with respect, just how we should treat other people. It is so much fun as well as educational".

"At Peer Mediation we work together to learn about diversity and bullying. We play fun and educational games. We learn to accept everyone because everyone is special in their own way"

"The lessons we have are about people being different.

I love the lessons so much because we get to play games and you learn loads"

Junior 5-a-side football tournament..entries by 30th November

The Junior 5-a-side soccer World Cup is open to all pupils in Years 8, 9 and 10

There will be two competitions if enough people enter, one for junior boys and one for junior girls.

Matches will take place at dinner time and after school.

How to enter:

Make up the name of your team (it must be the name of a country).

Write this and the names of the five players for your team and give it to either Mr. McKernan or to Joseph Grey (y11) or E-mail it to kmckernan636@c2kni.net

Make sure you indicate which player is the team captain/organiser.

Entries close at 1:15 pm on Friday 30th November



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lothus pupils and staff enjoyed a night out to the cinema recently, with some grub steaks beforehand.....Madagascar "Europe's Most Wanted" was the film of choice. Staff commented on the superb behaviour of our pupils.

A pity the same could not be said about Mr McCormack who was seen throwing popcorn!!!!



The next outing planned is our annual trip to Belfast Christmas Markets.

Assessments

A reminder to pupils and parents that Junior school assessment 2 (otherwise known as Christmas exams) are approaching in early December. Subject teachers will inform students of exact dates. Don't forget to check planners!



Staff News

Congratulations to Mr Gordon and his wife on the birth of baby Daisy this month!



Awards Day

Awards day on Friday 23rd November was a great success, well done to all prize winners (past and current pupils)

Christmas Hampers

Each class is collecting for a Christmas Hamper which will be delivered to members of the local community in the run up to Christmas. Don't forget to bring in tins of food and Christmas treats for a very good cause!



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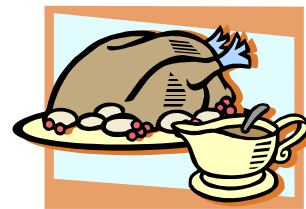
Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is a holiday celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada. Thanksgiving is celebrated each year on the second Monday of October in Canada and on the fourth Thursday of November in the United

States. Because of the longstanding traditions of the holiday, the celebration often extends to the weekend that falls closest to the day it is celebrated. Several other places around the world observe similar celebrations. Historically, Thanksgiving had roots

in religious and cultural tradition.

Today, Thanksgiving is primarily celebrated as a secular holiday.



Remembering in November

All Souls' Day

On this day in particular families remember and pray for loved ones who have died.

Remembrance Sunday

This is the Sunday nearest to Armistice Day, devoted to remembering the dead of the two wars and subsequent wars.

As an integrated school we cater for all faiths and traditions and as such Poppies were available to buy, as usual, for those pupils and staff who wished to purchase them. Thanks to our sellers in y11 and 12 who gave up their free

time. For the first time Brownlow was represented at a Local Remembrance Day service. A wreath was laid on behalf of those in our school community who would wish to be represented on the occasion.

New Integration Website

A new website has been designed to help pupils understand how their identity has been influenced and shaped and to appreciate the perspectives of others. Facing the past: Shaping the Future- www.facingthepastshapingthefuture.com provides internet access to a wide range of resources and approaches which will assist schools in

the commemoration of a decade of prominent anniversaries.

These resources help us to look at contentious events and their contemporary commemorations and are suitable for both primary and post-primary schools and a range of subjects.

Newsletter Team

Special thanks to our Newsletter team Shannon Jefferson, Caolan Mulholland and Daniel Boland who help organise your information and articles each week!