

Welcome to Broughton Hall Catholic High School

Year 6 Parent and Pupil
information 2021



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Year 7 Team

Key staff

Mrs Davies

Form tutors

Year Head Ms Kirkham

Support Manager Mrs Rock

Mrs Greenhouse (Educational welfare and attendance officer)

SENCO – Mrs Marteau



Pastoral Care



Broughton Hall is founded on the principles of Catherine McAuley.

We are a catholic, caring community. Our chaplain is a lay person and she works with all pupils across the school. This year she has visited all our year 7 form classes and did transition activities in early September.

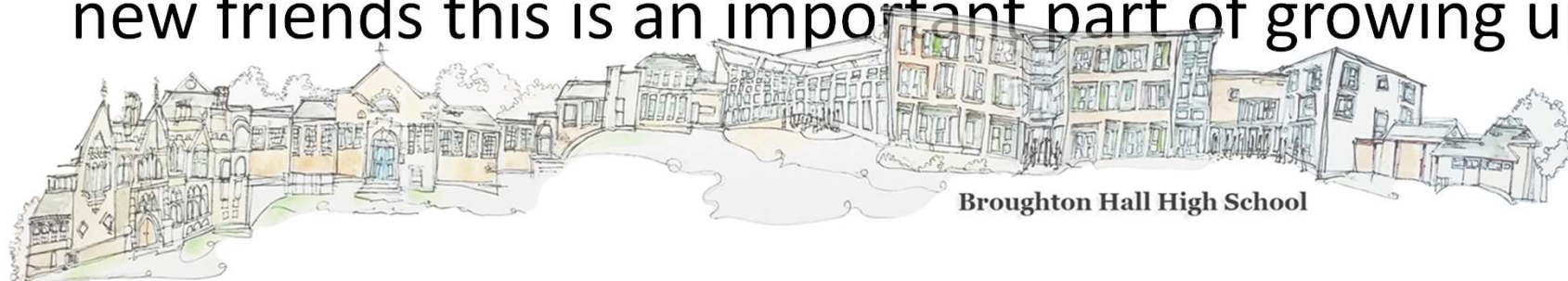
The chapel is a quiet place for pupils to go to when they need space to think or just to be quiet with their friends.

Be ever ready to praise, to encourage, to stimulate, but slow to censure “ ~ Catherine McAuley



Pastoral and Academic

- There will be 213 pupils in the year
- The year is split into 2 bands B and H
- Pupils are then split between 8 form classes, Mrs Rock has been in touch with nearly all our primary schools and has spoken to our colleagues about your daughter so that we have as much information as possible. We try to place your daughter with a friend from primary school where possible. Please remember that pupils will make new friends at secondary school, it is a time to meet lots of new people, we are confident that you will find lots of new friends this is an important part of growing up.



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Teaching and Learning



- The curriculum is broad and balanced
- Pupils will be set in some subjects and this will happen following a term at Broughton Hall
- We will do the CAT4 test on arrival which is a test of your daughter's cognitive ability. You cannot revise or prepare for these tests. These tests are designed to help us understand how you learn and what your academic potential might be.
- Tasks involve thinking about shapes and patterns (Non-Verbal Reasoning), words (Verbal Reasoning), numbers (Quantitative Reasoning) and some questions are answered by mentally generating and transforming visual images (Spatial Ability).
- You will also do progress tests in English and Maths as well as a reading and spelling test.
- Progress is monitored throughout the year and ability sets are reviewed regularly to ensure you are in the right group.



Curriculum

- Maths – 3 lessons per week
- English – 3 lessons per week
- Science – 3 lessons per week
- Spanish – 3 lessons per week
- RE – 2 lessons per week
- Technology – 2 lessons per week
- PE – 2 lessons per week (dance in this rotation)
- Music – 1 lesson per week
- Geography – 2 lessons per week
- History – 2 lessons per week
- Computing – 2 lessons per week
- Reading Development – 1 hour per week
- PSHE – 1 lesson every two weeks



8.35 am	Get READY for Registration
8.45 – 9:00	Registration
9.00-10.00	Lesson 1
10.00-10.30	Lesson 2
10.30-10.45	BREAK
10.45-11.15	Lesson 2
11.15-12.15	Lesson 3
12.15-12.45	Lunch
12.45-1.45	Lesson 4
1.45-3.00	Lesson 5

Positive Learning Environment



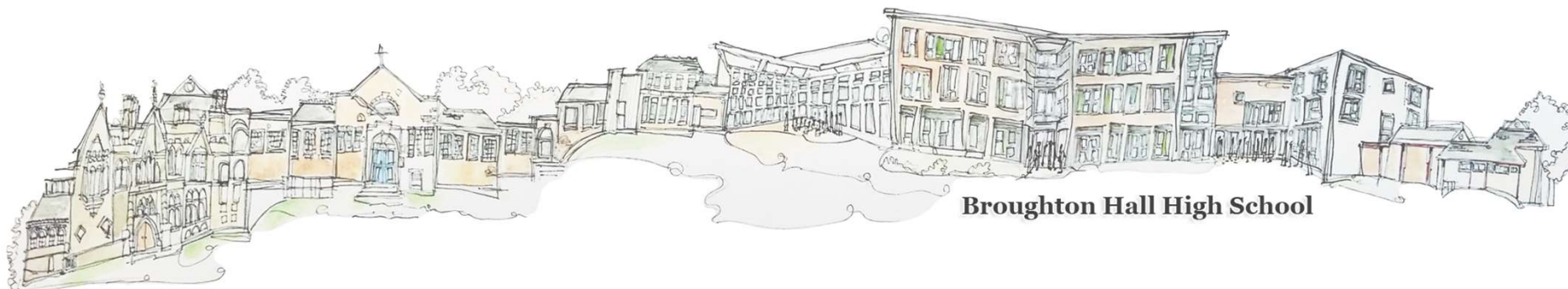
We have high standards, it is important that we maintain our standards so that all pupils can learn and do their best.

We make our expectations of all pupils clear from the outset.

It is essential that we build our year group on respect, respect for each other, respect for staff and respect for ourselves. We must all take responsibility for our own behaviour.

As part of our behaviour Policy we use Class charts, we will provide you with log in details in September so that parents can see exactly how their daughter is performing in school on a daily basis, negative and positive points are recorded.

Teachers will also set homework via classcharts



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ATTENDANCE

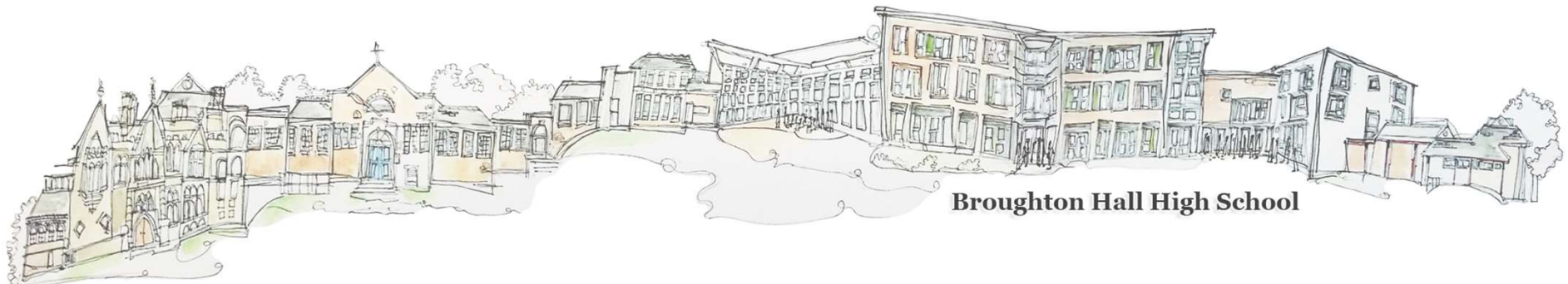


Target 100%

Minimum expectation : 97%

Holidays in term time will not be authorised for any reason

All absences below 97% will trigger intervention



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Punctuality

Pupils to arrive at school by **8.35am**

Morning registration begins at 8.45am

If your daughter is late she will have detention on a designated day – to be confirmed in September

Pupils are dismissed at 3.00p.m

Pupils may be kept at the end of the day for 10 minutes without notice, 1 hour no notice detentions may also be given however we do try to give 24 hour notice



ILLNESS IN SCHOOL



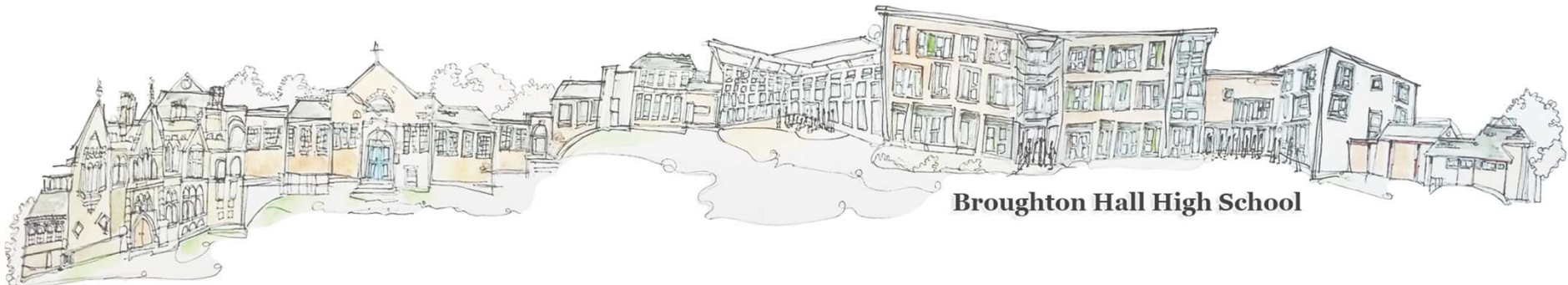
If you are ill in school then you will report to Mrs Rock who will decide whether she needs to contact home

If you are injured then a first aider will assess you and we will contact home

It is important that parents ensure that we have up to date information for at least 3 contacts as we will contact you via phone if your daughter is unwell. Other messages are sent via Edulink, most of you have this app if not please let us know and we will help you access it.

It is the parents responsibility to inform school of any changes to data – please remember this can be updated via Edulink

If you are ill in school then you must be collected by a parent / carer you are not allowed to leave school at any point in the day unaccompanied.



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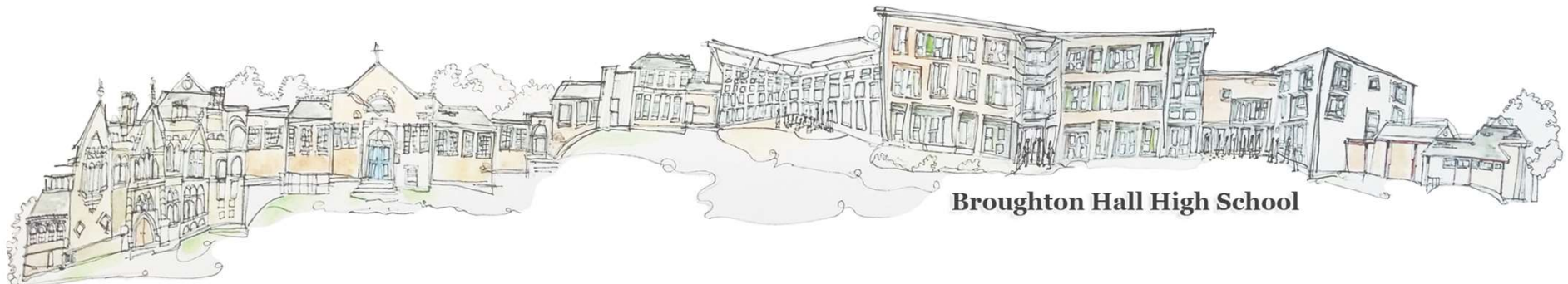
MOBILE PHONES



We strongly advise that mobile phones are not brought to school.

If you do though it should be switched off and handed in to Mrs Rock during morning registration.

If these procedures are not followed then the phone will be confiscated and placed in the school safe and returned to a parent / carer 24 hours later



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MOBILE PHONES



- Don't share your number with new friends immediately.
- Take your time and get to know people, be sure that they are your friends.
- Do not join social media groups with people you do not know well, remember there are age limits on some social media platforms for good reasons.

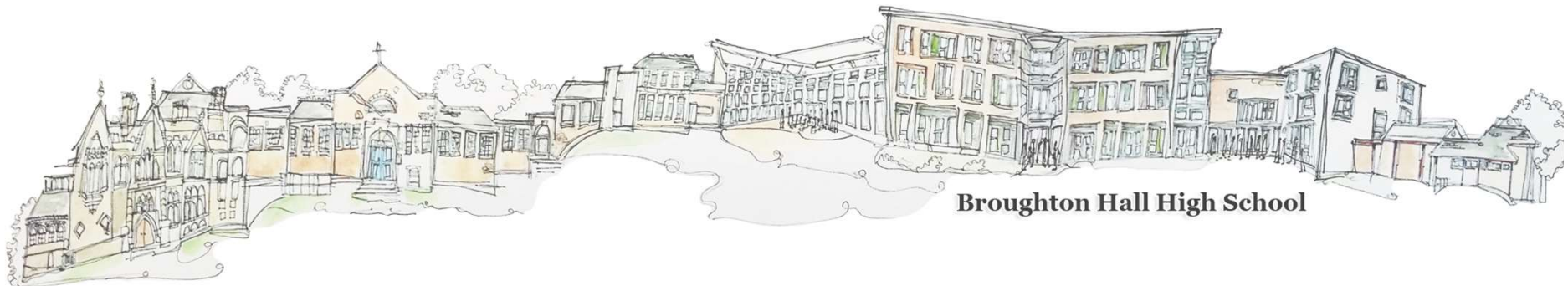


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UNIFORM & APPEARANCE EXPECTATIONS



- Full uniform to be worn correctly at all times
- No jewellery other than a small pair of plain studs and a watch
- No make up or nail varnish
- Hair is tied back with a black/blue bobble or ribbon
- No bows, headbands, hair clamps, diamond clips
- Stockists are found on uniform list
- Polishable black shoes



Parent pay

- You do not need to bring cash into school for school dinners or trips.
- Parents will be issued with a parentpay account. This information will be sent to parents via edulink app.
- If you already have a parent pay account then this will simply transfer across

EQUIPMENT



- School bag – plain blue or black to be bought from school £3 (these will be available from Summer School, please bring cash).
- Fully stocked pencil case (please provide your own, the office has emergency supplies which may be purchased).
 - Calculator – Casio **FX-83GTX**.
- Apron for technology (these may be purchased from school)



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DAILY EQUIPMENT CHECKS

Desk Layout: Equipment for the Day

School bag
Black / blue pen
Green pen
Pencil
Rubber
Ruler



Developing your daughter as a Whole Person.....



At Broughton Hall there are many opportunities for your daughter to experience activities that are extra to her classroom learning. There are lots of clubs and teams she can be part of.



Helping your child



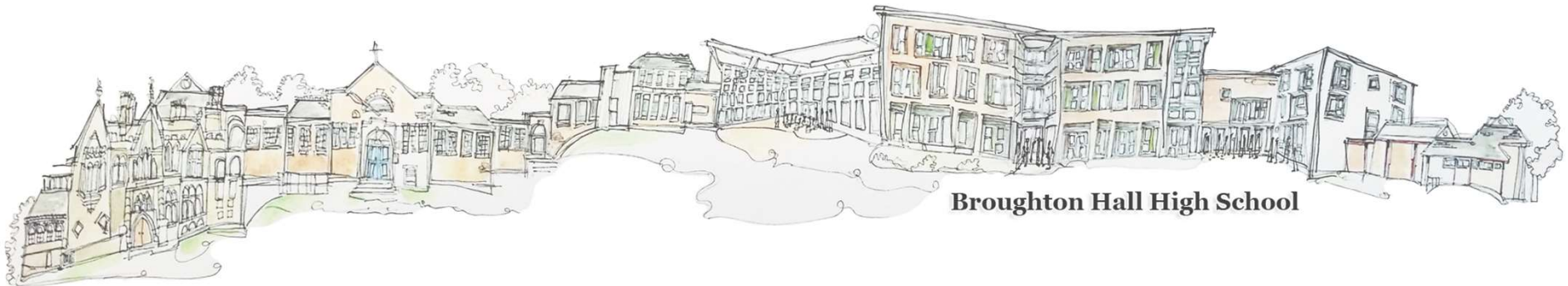
How can you help your child to make a good start to her secondary education?

Talk to her

Ease her fears

Help her be organised

Make sure she is in school



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Effective Transition

Aspects of successful transition.

- developing new friendships and improving self esteem and confidence once at secondary school;
- having settled so well in school life that there are no concerns to parents;
- showing an increasing interest in school and school work;
- getting used to new routines and school organisation with great ease;
- experiencing curriculum continuity, i.e. they found work completed in Year 6 to be very useful for the work they will be doing in Year 7

We hope to contact each of you by telephone over the next 2 weeks to talk about your daughter in more detail.



We are looking forward to meeting you all and hope that your time with us at Broughton Hall will be positive and successful.

Pupils start school on Thursday 2nd September and should be in school by 8.35 - please enter via Monastery Lane entrance. On this day pupils will finish at 1.45. Friday 3rd September is a 8.40 start and 3pm finish.



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Parent questions

On Thursday 2nd September Year 7 pupils along with Y12 are the only pupils in school. This means that they are able to have a full induction programme on this day – they will spend most of the day with their form tutor meeting their new classmates and doing a tour of the school to familiarise themselves with the layout of the building. To support pupils we line them up for each lesson and staff collect them to take them to class to avoid anyone getting lost. They are given a map of the school. Form classes are on one floor.

Summer school: Thank you to all those who have registered for Summer School. Due to primaries finishing on different days we extended our summer school to 2 weeks so that everyone who wanted to participate was given the chance to. There are lots of activities planned and we hope you will enjoy your time with us. The theme is space – art, literacy, numeracy, Spanish, textiles, wellbeing, music, ICT

Extra curricular activities: We have had some extra curricular activities this year. We have had debate club for Y7s along with sports and dance clubs in the Summer term – we intend for these to continue in September and hope that no further restrictions are put in place.

Forms: As I mentioned earlier on Mrs Rock has visited either in person or virtually all our primary colleagues, pupils are put into form classes with at least one other person from their primary school. We will not set pupils until they have been with us for a least 1 full term.

Bubbles: Y7 are in form class bubbles. They will be taught in form classes for the first term. We will then set according to ability in Maths, Science, MFL, Computing, all other subjects are taught in mixed ability groups.