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Remembrance Day

At the heart of our Remembrance day activities was our recognition for those have served us all so bravely in World Wars, and many other conflicts. A big thankyou to our volunteer Poppy Sellers over the week, all our students have been keen to support. Year 7 Council representatives gave a fantastic assembly about Female war veterans and spoke eleguently like professional newsreaders. Head of year 7 Ms. Strefford spoke to Yr. 7 about discrimination and living together in peace and with respect for all. Form Time on Tuesday 11th was also dedicated to reflections on female war veterans, who served in so many significant ways, especially during WWII.



For twenty minutes leading up to the 11 O'clock silence we held a service of remembrance in our school canteen. A total of 24 students came to represent their Cadet squadrens. Fourteen students wore their cadet uniforms and looked incredibly smart indeed. We had representatives from Air Cadets, Army Cadets and Sea Cadets. Holly from Yr. 13 used her skills as sergeant in Merseyside Army Cadet Force, to organise our students ready for the service. After prayers were read by Year Form Ambassadors, dedications were given by senior staff, head girl Ava and deputy head Girl Izzy. Mrs. O'Rourke and Mrs. Mills laid poppy wreathes on our altar in respect of all who have fallen.



At 10:59 the last post rang out all around our school and a two minute silence followed. During our service, the rest of our students wrote 'I would like to Remember' dedication cards for anyone they wanted to actively remember, or anyone who has been a significant role model to them. It is very heart warming when the whole school community comes together so respectfully to honour, those who deserve our upmost gratitude.



Weekly Prayer

The Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
for he has looked upon his handmaid in her lowliness;

for behold, from this day forward,
all generations will call me blessed.
For the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

His mercy is from age to age
for those who fear him.
He has made known the strength of his arm,
and has scattered the proud in their conceit
of heart.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones
and has exalted those who are lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
and has sent the rich away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel,
mindful of his mercy,
even as he promised to our fathers,
to Abraham and his descendants for ever.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.

Top Attendance Forms

97.3% 96.8% 93.9%
7THO 8THO 9THO

92.7% 94.2% 98.4%
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Year 7 Readers

Last week, every pupil in Year 7 was given the gift of a brand-new book! They were given the opportunity to choose their own book as part of the Bookbuzz initiative. We are encouraging pupils to read as many of the sixteen books as possible by opening a 'Swap Shop'. Once they have read their chosen book, pupils can see Mrs Harkin in E3 to swap it for another choice. Prizes will be available for pupils who join the challenge. Happy reading!



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2025

Monday 10th to Friday 14th November



Every year, bullying impacts the lives of countless young people and silence helps it grow. That's why, this Anti-Bullying Week, we're empowering young people to use their Power for Good to safely speak up and raise awareness when they see bullying, face to face or online. Lasting change needs all of us. From playgrounds to parliament, our homes to our phones – we all have a part to play. Together, we can use our Power for Good to end bullying – for good.

WHAT IS BULLYING?

Anti-Bullying Alliance's Definition:

The **repetitive, intentional hurting** of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an **imbalance of power**. Bullying can be physical, verbal or psychological. It can happen face to face or online.



POWER FOR GOOD

Anti-bullying is about standing up for others and making school a safe, respectful place for everyone.

Bullying hurts people and can leave lasting scars, but each of us has the power to stop it. By choosing kindness, speaking out when we see unfairness, and supporting those who are struggling, we use our power for good.

We can actively create a positive environment where everyone feels included and valued. When we work together, we can make a real difference and show that respect and empathy are stronger than hate.

For further support see – <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/>



If You See Bullying

Don't Join In – Avoid laughing or encouraging.

Support – Ask, "Are you okay?"

Speak Up Safely – If safe, say, "That's not cool."

Report – Tell a teacher or trusted adult.

Include – Invite them to join activities.

If You're Being Bullied

Stay Calm – Don't give a reaction.

Tell Someone – A teacher, parent, or friend.

Keep Evidence – Save messages or note incidents.

Avoid Fighting Back – It can escalate.

Know Your Worth – Bullying reflects them, not you.





WICKED Cinema Trip

Students Celebrate Success with Magical WICKED Cinema Trip

Students who have shown outstanding improvement in attendance and behaviour this term were rewarded with a special cinema trip to see WICKED — a film that celebrates friendship, courage, and staying true to yourself.

The reward trip recognised students who have made a real effort to grow, persevere, and make positive choices both in and out of the classroom. It was a chance to celebrate those who have, in the words of the film, learned to “defy gravity” and rise above challenges.

As the story of Elphaba and Glinda lit up the big screen, students were captivated by the movie’s powerful messages of acceptance, bravery, and doing what’s right – even when it’s difficult.

One student said afterwards, “It was such a great day. The film showed that everyone deserves a chance to change and do better – just like we’ve been trying to do this term.”

Mrs. Marteau, who helped organise the trip, commented:

“We’re so proud of our students and the progress they’ve made. This trip was a way to celebrate their hard work and remind them that every small step forward counts. They’ve truly earned this experience.”


The outing was filled with smiles, popcorn, and a wonderful sense of achievement.

12 Days of Christmas Foodbank Challenge

Many within our school and local community are faced with the challenge of managing rising living costs and as a result, struggle financially. This can have a significant impact on the emotional well-being and welfare of those families. To support members of our community during times of struggle, we are launching the 'Broughton Hall Foodbank'. This service will be available all year round, whenever families and other members of our community need our support.

Whilst Christmas is a time of joy and celebration, for many in our community, the festive period is particularly challenging. It is for this reason that we are choosing to launch the foodbank's opening with our '12 Days of Christmas Foodbank Challenge'.

Details on how students can get involved and support this community project can be found on the posters below.



Broughton Hall Catholic High School

'12 Days of Christmas Foodbank Challenge'

IT'S TIME TO SPREAD SOME CHRISTMAS CHEER - AND FILL UP OUR BRAND-NEW BROUGHTON HALL FOODBANK!



FOR 12 DAYS, WE'RE COLLECTING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD AND ESSENTIALS TO HELP MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY.

STUDENT MISSION:
BRING IN THE ITEM OF THE DAY, EVERY DAY!
THE FORM IN EACH YEAR GROUP THAT COLLECTS THE MOST ITEMS WINS FESTIVE TREATS IN THE LAST WEEK OF TERM!

LET'S SHOW WHAT THE BROUGHTON HALL SPIRIT IS ALL ABOUT - GIVING, KINDNESS, AND COMMUNITY!

STARTS: 25TH NOVEMBER
ENDS: 10TH DECEMBER

DROP OFF: IN YOUR FORM ROOM EACH DAY



'12 Days of Christmas Foodbank Challenge'

HOW TO TAKE PART:
BRING YOUR ITEMS INTO FORM EACH MORNING
KEEP TRACK OF YOUR TOTALS - EVERY TIN, BOX, AND PACKET COUNTS!
CHEER ON YOUR FORM AND HELP YOUR YEAR GROUP TAKE THE CROWN! 👑


THE 12 DAYS OF GIVING

DAY 1: TINNED SOUP
DAY 2: PASTA OR RICE
DAY 3: CEREAL OR PORRIDGE
DAY 4: TINNED FRUIT/PUDDINGS
DAY 5: TINNED VEGETABLES
DAY 6: TEA BAGS OR COFFEE

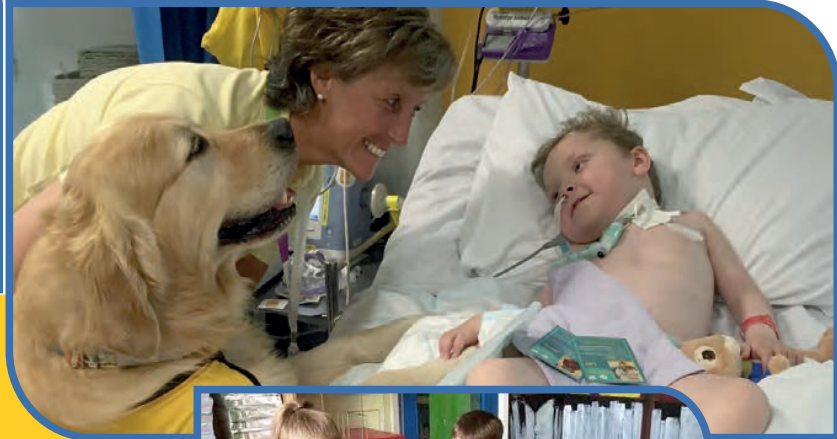
DAY 7: CRISPS OR CRACKERS
DAY 8: TINNED MEAT OR FISH
DAY 9: PASTA SAUCE OR OTHER COOKING SAUCE
DAY 10: LONG-LIFE MILK

DAY 11: TOILETRIES (SOAP, TOOTHPASTE, DEODORANT, ETC)
DAY 12: TREATS! (CHOCOLATES, MINCE PIES, SWEETS!)

GOOD LUCK!



We are looking for our own PAT Volunteer. Could it be you?



Become a volunteer with your pet and you will:

- 🐾 Help your local community
- 🐾 Bring joy to those you meet
- 🐾 Make days a little brighter
- 🐾 Boost your own wellbeing

There's no minimum commitment – we can't
wait to welcome you as our PAT Team!



For more information or help:

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☎ 01865 671440

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