

# **NEWSLETTER**

20th September 2024

## **Message from the Head of School**

At the end of week three, I wanted to express how proud I am of the majority of our students whose dedication, perseverance, and commitment to studies have been truly remarkable. Each day, I see them putting in the effort, whether it's in class, completing assignments, or participating in discussions, and it's inspiring.

I also want to thank you for the support and encouragement you provide at home which plays an essential role in their success. Together, we are helping these students build the skills and confidence they need to thrive.



Mrs K Gardner Head of School

#### **Sport at DBK**

#### **KS4 Girls Football**

The KS4 Girls football travelled to Wright Robinson in Gorton on Thursday evening to take part in the first of 5 league tournaments. The girls played 5 games, winning 4 out of the 5, losing narrowly to Wright Robinson in the first game of the night.

Goals came from Year 9 student Eva R and Year 11 student Phoebe G. Well done girls!



#### **British Taekwondo**

The Y11 core PE Girls classes are taking part in a community safety project with British Taekwondo. Learning about how to stay safe in the community, with the use of self-defense. This week was their first session and the girls learnt lots of different skills.



#### Sale Sharks' Project

Our Year 7 girls are working with Sale Sharks this term, as they develop their Rugby Union skills.

This week they developed their passing and special awareness skills. They are had a great time and already cannot wait for next weeks session.

### **Celebrating our Curriculum**

#### **Hospitality and Catering**

Year 10 Hospitality and Catering students have been developing their sauce making and knife skills

this week with red onion and bacon pasta bakes. All students did fantastically but special mentions go to Evie P, Reis S-B and Ruby G who also plated up their dishes to a particularly professional standard...

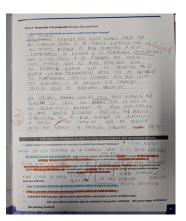






#### **Morning Meeting**

Special recognition goes to Larice P and Alisia H in Year 10 for their outstanding focus in Morning Meetings this week...







#### Spanish

Alana-Mae B in Year 9 is already producing GCSE standard written work in Spanish! Well done Alana! The Spanish department are so proud of you!

#### Local Offer Drop-In: Tuesday 1st October, 4.30-7.30pm

Join us for refreshments and freebies from a number of representatives bringing their stalls to our 'Market Hall' on **Tuesday 1^{st} October**.

There will be representatives from a number of establishments including:

- Early Help
- Disability Advisors
- Manchester City Council SEND
- Information for local job opportunities Hubs plus many more.

We look forward to seeing you there.





#### Timetable Information

Monday 23rd September: Week 1

Monday 30th September: Week 2

#### **Brooklands Library**

We are lucky enough to have Brooklands Public Library on our doorstep, so here is an overview of some of the amazing events and activities they have on offer:

#### Weekly:

**Tiny Tots and Toddler Time:** On Mondays during *term time only*, 11.00am - 12.00pm, for families with a child under 5. Join in for stories, songs, rhymes and crafts.

**Drop-In for Basic ICT Support:** Wednesdays, 2.00-3.00pm

Lego Club: Saturdays, 10.00am - 12.30pm

Opening Hours				
Monday	10.00am - 1.00pm	2.00 - 5.00pm		
Tuesday	10.00am - 1.00pm	2.00 - 5.00pm		
Wednesday	10.00am - 1.00pm	2.00 - 8.00pm		
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Thursday Friday	10.00am - 1.00pm	2.00 - 5.00pm		
Friday	10.00am - 1.00pm	2.00 - 5.00pm 2.00 - 5.00pm		

Email: brooklandslibrary@manchester.gov.uk

Website: www.manchester.gov.uk/libraries

#### Monthly:

**Booky Brooky Brew Stop:** Visit on Friday 27th September and/or 25th October and tea, coffee and biscuits will be served to all customers.

**Reading Club:** Adult reading club meet on the last Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be Wednesday 25th September , 6.30-7.30pm. New members always welcome, light refreshments included.

#### **Special Events:**

World Alzheimer's Day: Saturday 21st September, 2.00-4.00pm. Join in with some forget-menot flower crafting.

School holiday crafts available during opening hours Monday 21st to Friday 25th October.

Free movie on Wednesday 23rd October, 3.00pm. Free popcorn and drink too!

Spectacular Wise Owl Show\*: Saturday 26th October, 2.30-4.00pm. Come and see these magnificent birds fly around the library! \*Booking required.

Black History Month: Monday 28th October, 11.00am, join Ruth and Stella for a fabulous telling of Handa's Surprise with lovely puppets for this Black History themed Story Time.

Please note, children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult to all library activities.

For more information, please see a member of the Library staff or email brooklandslibrary@manchester.gov.uk



#### **New Staff at the Academy**

We have a number of new staff who have joined the Academy this year so we would like to introduce them to you.

This week, it's the turn of Ms Zhou, Maths Teacher

We've asked new staff the same questions to find out a little bit more about them.

#### Ms Zhou - Maths Teacher

#### What is one of your hidden talents?

I speak Mandarin and I play semi-professional badminton.

What's the best thing about your role?

Making students love Maths!

If you could take the students on a field trip to anywhere in the world, where would you take them?

My hometown - Shanghai!

What would you like students to remember about you?

Maths is fun!



# **Dates for your Diary: September/October 2024**

**Thursday 26 September** 4.30 - 7.30pm: Open Evening

Monday 30 September 8.10-9.10am: Parent Forum - Keeping children safe online

**Tuesday 1 October** 4.30-7.30pm: Local Offer Drop-In

**Thursday 17 October** 3.30-6.00pm: Year 11 Exam Evening and Futures Event

**Friday 18 October** 2.20pm: Students finish for half term break

Monday 4th November 8.15am: Students return for half term 2

# **MENU**

### Week Commencing 23 September 2024

Monday	Beefburger with fresh	Homemade cheese and	Panini selection:
	green salad or coleslaw	onion slices	cheese, ham, pepperoni
			or cheese & beans
Tuesday	Sausage and creamy	Macaroni cheese with	Panini selection:
	mashed potatoes with	garlic break and fresh	cheese, ham, pepperoni
	garden peas and gravy	salad	or cheese & beans
Wednesday	Creamy chicken korma	Roast vegetable rolls	Panini selection:
	with yellow rice and	with sweet chilli	cheese, ham, pepperoni
	garlic naan	noodles	or cheese & beans
Thursday	Beef chilli-con-carne	Cheese and spring	Panini selection:
	with rice and garlic	onion potato skins with	cheese, ham, pepperoni
	bread	fresh salad	or cheese & beans
Friday	Donner kebab or		Danini aalaatian.
	Chinese chicken on	Cheese and tomato	Panini selection:
	crusty baguette with	French bread with salad	cheese, ham, pepperoni
	fresh salad		or cheese & beans

Every day the salad bar plus a variety of sandwiches and baguettes are available, as well as a choice of cold or hot desserts.

We follow best practices in safe food handling to prevent cross-contamination. However, we cannot guarantee our products are 100% free of any specific allergen. Allergens are listed on the front counter, which refer to the ingredients we use. We also cannot guarantee an allergen-free environment where some of our ingredients from suppliers or products may have been produced in an environment with other allergens.

Please double-check with a member of staff.

