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# GROBY COMMUNITY COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

## ANOTHER BUSY YEAR!



### YOUNG ENTERPRISE 2014 TEAM SUCCESS

See page 3 for the full story....



### ALICE IN WONDERLAND

More performing arts pictures on page 7.



### ANNUAL COLLEGE VISION SHOW 2014

See page 5 for more pictures of students work.

As it is the final newsletter of the year it is time to say thank you and goodbye to students and staff who are leaving us for pastures new, see page 2 for further details.

As the exams draw to a close for the year I would like to thank all our students and staff for their hard work throughout the year. There have been so many extra classes and revision sessions throughout the year that it is hard to count.

The Alice in Wonderland performance was a fantastic example of our students' creativity. The entire production was staged by the students themselves with Ben Letts in Year 13 in the director's chair. In the same week we had the annual Vision Show with Curriculum Leader Mrs Sally Beeston opening the doors to record numbers. The college was able to show off the astounding work done by the students from across the Art and Design Technology area. Year 12 Hospitality students even provided the catering! Pictures of the event are on page 5.

There is much still to be achieved this year with the first Brookvale Groby Campus Band performing early in July and during the induction days for over 240 Year 9 students who will be joining us in September. There is a picture of a few of the performers on page 9.

Thank you to all parents and carers who provide such huge support for our students and the college. Negotiating the tricky journey through GCSEs and A Levels is not always easy and we couldn't do it without your endless support.

**Thank you, and have a great summer.**

Mr Coles  
Principal

### 2014 EXAM RESULTS DATES:

**A Level:** Thursday 14 August 2014 from 9am  
**GCSE Year 10:** Thursday 21 August 2014 from 10am  
**GCSE Year 11:** Thursday 21 August 2014 from 9am

The college will be open from 9.00am - 12.00noon ONLY

### AUTUMN 2014 TERM DATES:

**Open:** Thursday 28 August 2014 (Year 10 & 11 students)  
**Teacher Day:** Friday 17 October 2014 (Students do not attend)  
**Mid-Term Break:** Monday 20 to Friday 24 October 2014  
**Close:** Friday 19 December 2014

For a full listing of 2014 - 15 term dates see page 16.

# THANK YOU AND GOODBYES

The following staff are leaving the college this year.  
I would like to thank them for their hard work and commitment to our students.

- **Nick Ford** (ICT) takes up a Computing and ICT post at Charnwood College
- **Emma Fullbrook** (English) is moving to The Martin School in Anstey
- **Richard Morris** is taking up a teaching post at Marlborough School in Oxfordshire
- **Rebecca Pogson** (PE) moves to Moulton College
- **Eaton Thomas** (Mathematics) takes up a post at Leicester College
- **Sue Woolhouse** is joining the Institute of Physics as a Teaching & Learning coach.

We would like to wish them all the best in their future career.

Mr Coles, Principal

## 2014 - 15 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES



If you have an article of interest for our next newsletter then please email

Mrs Anderson; canderson@grobyscoll.com

For up-to-date news please visit the college website:

www.grobyscoll.com



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## SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Our college feels it is of the utmost importance to have good systems for protecting children and safeguarding their welfare throughout all the activities which the college undertakes. This means that staff and volunteers must be alert to possible concerns about every student, and to report these in a proper fashion. The college has a safeguarding and child protection policy which parents/carers can view on our website under the 'About Us' section 'Documents/Policies'

### It is important for parents to be aware that:

- Staff and volunteers in the college have a duty to report concerns about a child, whether this means the child may be in need of additional support or help of some kind or whether it is thought that a child may have been abused or be at risk of abuse.
- There are four categories of abuse: physical, sexual, emotional, neglect.
- In some cases the college is obliged to refer children to children's social care staff, for children to be assessed for their needs or if an investigation into possible child abuse is required. In many cases there will already have been discussions between college staff and the parents of the child, and the situation and concerns will not be a surprise to the parents. However, parents may not be told that the college has referred their child to children's social care if it is thought that this might put the child at risk.
- Children's social care tries to carry out its enquiries in a sensitive fashion. It has to gather information and generally it can be open with parents about the steps being taken.
- If you think your child may have been abused you should contact the children's social care office. If you think the abuse may have happened in college, contact the Principal or the Designated Senior Person for Child Protection, who is Mrs Evans, Assistant Principal. If you think your child has been hurt, arrange to visit your doctor. Comfort and reassure your child.
- If college staff need to express concerns about a child or refer a child to children's social care, it is understood that this can cause distress or anger for the child's parents.

For parents' enquiries please contact: **Mrs Evans, Assistant Principal**

## SIX AWARDS FOR EUNOIA

On Sunday 9 March Groby's Young Enterprise Team 2014; Eunoia won an award at the Leicester Highcross Trade Fair:

- **Best Trade Stand Performance Award**

At the Leicestershire Area Final on Monday 31 March Eunoia won further **three** awards:

- **The Environmental Award**
- **The Best Financial Performance Award**
- **The Finalist Award for the Area Final**

The Leicestershire County Final was held on Wednesday 7 May, at Loughborough University, where Eunoia won **two** awards:

- **The Environmental Award**
- **The Best Performance Award**

Eunoia did not make it to the next round; the East Midlands County Final, but well done on achieving **SIX awards** in total!



### MEMBERS OF THE EUNOIA TEAM:

- Joe Boden, MD
- Steph Tennant, Company Secretary
- Callum Tebbatt, Finance Director
- Zak Copley, IT Director
- Trishna Matharu, Marketing Director
- Josie Goodwin, Marketing Deputy
- Alaina Chilton Thomas, Sales Director
- Mason Steers, Operations Director
- Jack Webb-Macleod, Operations Deputy
- Victoria Prowse, HR Director
- Laura Brett, HR Deputy
- Lucy Whitfield, HR Assistant

## SIGN UP FOR YOUNG ENTERPRISE 2014 - 15

Groby will be entering team(s) for next year's Young Enterprise Company Programme. For students in Year 11 who intend staying at GCC into Post 16 in September who are interested there will be a signing up and training session on:

**Monday 7 July at 9am – 11am**

Please speak to or email (cbryan@grobycoll.com) Mrs Bryan to confirm your attendance. Students with interests in design, marketing, graphics, photography and accountancy are welcome - you don't need to be studying "business" to participate.

**Mrs Bryan (Head of Business Studies)**

## BOSGRO PARTNERSHIP CHALLENGE

On the 2 and 3 April Groby Community College opened its doors to 4 Senior Leaders from other local schools and a trained lead Ofsted inspector in order to review progress that we are making in our journey towards outstanding.

The inspection team observed 53 lessons, spoke to students and interviewed staff across the two days about the work of the college. The outcome of the inspection is overwhelmingly positive about the work of the college and the direction we are moving.

The team judged **ACHIEVEMENT as good** with particular mention of the excellent outcomes at Post 16.

**QUALITY OF TEACHING** was deemed to be good with outstanding features. Over 90% of the 53 lessons were deemed to be good or better with over 40% outstanding.

**BEHAVIOUR AND SAFETY** is also good with outstanding features. The inspection team commented on the outstanding attitudes to learning of the vast majority of students. In the best lessons there is a real thirst for knowledge amongst the students. Students told the team that bullying is extremely rare and where it does occur it has originated outside of college but is dealt with swiftly by the team.

**LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT** is also very good. Senior and middle leaders have a clear vision for, and capacity to bring about, continued improvement. Teachers are supported in their professional development in order to become outstanding practitioners.

They identified areas for development include:

Support disadvantaged students to make better progress through targeted teaching and learning and improved attendance.

- Increase collaboration between Groby and Brookvale in order to support students in the development of their mathematics at Key Stage 4
- Encourage students to use the detailed feedback in their books to improve their work.

**To read the full report please follow the link on our website.**



## OUTSTANDING GROBY STUDENTS

In April we had a team of four senior leaders from local schools with a qualified Ofsted inspector in college for two days carrying out a 'mocksted'. In their report of the visit, the team commented very favourably on our students;

- 'Behaviour was judged as good, much of which was outstanding'
- 'Students' behaviour outside of lessons is almost always impeccable'
- 'Students are punctual to lessons and their behaviour and language on the corridor are superb'

We are very proud of our students and want them to feel that their hard work and commitment are recognised and rewarded. 'Outstanding' certificates have been issued and a series of special House assemblies, led by the Heads and Assistant Heads of House, held to celebrate some of their outstanding successes during the Spring Term. Unfortunately there are too many students to mention by name, but here is an overview of the number of our year 10 and 11 students who received at least one certificate.

- **Outstanding Attendance** (100% attendance for the Spring Term) x 43 students
- **Outstanding Attitude to Learning** (Outstanding (1) in all subject reports) x 122
- **Outstanding Behaviour** (no sanctions issued for infringements to our behaviour expectations) x 223 students
- **Outstanding Progress** (on or above target grade on all subject reports)
- Students who make an impressive effort in a lesson, sporting activity, college event or in supporting other students are issued with House points and at the end of the term we reward the top 30 KS4 students for **Outstanding Commitment**
- **GOLD x 5 students**  
Chloe Cadle, Angel Harlow, Charlotte Poole, Amber Porter, Mollie Toon
- **SILVER x 10 students**  
Zara Bull, Sian Coaton, Alexandra Derbyshire, Mollie-Jayne Herbert, Sadie Hurst, King Fung Lo, Lucy Poyser, Aaron Symes-Goodman, Calum Weaver, Nicola Wootton
- **BRONZE x 15 students**  
William Bailey, Megan Clarke, Toby Crook, Tia Dann, Nicole Dingley, Emily Jarvis, Yau Lo, Jessica Mazuryk, Samuel Palmer, Jack Richardson, Ellie Spencer, Ellese Taylor, Callum Wilkes, Hannah Williams, Jessica Wright

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Any student who receives four or more Outstanding certificates in a term also receives a Principal's Award. At the end of the Spring Term 13 students received a Principal's Award:

**Zara Bull, Nicole Dingley, Isabelle Drexler, King Fung Lo, Joshua Lomas, Olivia McCulloch, Bethany Potter, Miles Price, Owen Smith, Ellie Spencer, Hope Trigg, Hannah Williams, Nicola Wootton**

The names of all the students who have received a Principal's Award at the end of the Autumn and Spring Terms are put into a hat and Mr Coles, the Principal, draws out a winner and this student receives an iPad.

This year the lucky student was:

**Mackenzie Thomson 10BRWI pictured right with Mr Coles.**



Mackenzie Thomson and Mr Coles

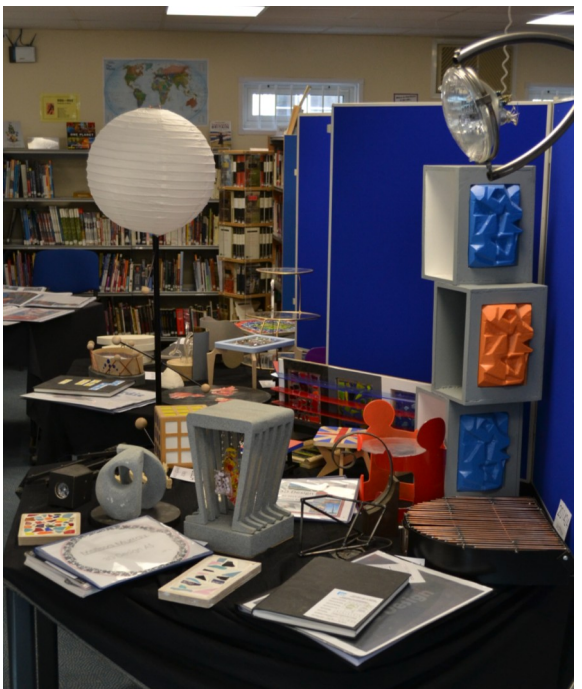
## GUIDELINES RE HOLIDAY TAKEN IN TERM TIME

Government guidelines, which came into effect on 1 September 2013, prevent Headteachers from granting any leave of absence during term time, unless there are exceptional circumstances. A family holiday during term-time does not fall under the category of 'exceptional circumstances' and we are therefore unable to grant leave of absence for a family holiday request.

**Should parents disregard this decision and the student has absences recorded as a result of an unauthorised family holiday, Leicestershire County Council will be advised of this matter and will be requested to issue Penalty Notices in line with their policy.**



# ADT VISION SHOW 2014







## NORMANDY TRIP 24 - 27 JUNE 2014

Grobby Community College is proud to inform you that we are taking 39 brave students to the far corners of France.

*Miss Sanchez, Mrs Evans, Mr Maynard, Mr Miola and Mrs Coley* are leading this 4 day adventure in a wild northern region called: Normandy. We will be testing students' courage in a smelly cheese factory, observing their baking skills in a French bakery and challenging them to complete a town trail around the castle of Caen.

Our group will be staying at a hotel 5 minutes away from the beach and the students will have the opportunity to try French food, to visit a local market and explore several coastal cities.

**BEWARE NORMANDY!! HERE WE COME! Miss Sanchez, French Teacher**

## MATHAMAGIC!

We recently hosted a group of Year 5 gifted Maths students from Kirby Muxloe Primary School. They came to see the college and to get excited about Maths. Mr Temperton and Miss Johal taught them lots of exciting Maths! In the first session students explored unusual sequences of numbers that at first seem quite simple but on deeper exploration demonstrate chaotic behaviour. They were given time to create their own sequences and made some interesting discoveries. In the second session students explored the mathematics behind a number of magic tricks. Through looking at these tricks students were able to explore some ideas in discrete maths, group theory and binary numbers. We chose these areas of maths because of their importance in computing science. All the students received a certificate and a scientific calculator to develop their studying of Maths further and all went away saying our Mathamagic catchphrase! In fact I later learnt that they had been wowing parents and friends alike with the maths behind the magic tricks they had learnt.



**Mr Kimber, Assistant Principal**

## THINK BIG COMPETITION

Year 10 Business students recently took part in an Enterprise competition ran by Loughborough University. Students had to develop a new idea for a local eatery and we had some amazing ideas submitted. Two groups have secured a place in the final and have been invited to an awards evening at Loughborough University on 25th June. Good luck to Leoni Martin & Becky Fletcher and Emily Jackson & Kaylee Cooper (Year 10). The winners will be announced in the next edition.

**Mrs Bryan, Head of Business Studies**

## YOUNG INNOVATOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2014

The Year 11 after school computing club students have been working hard over the last term to design a robot. The idea of designing a robot was part of the Young Innovator of the Year Awards 2014 being run by Harper Adams University. Students were given the brief "What could robots do for us in the future?" The students thought about this question for several weeks before coming up with the idea of designing a robot that could aid autistic children with their social development. Judges of the competition have been impressed with the students design, and therefore our Year 11 students have been selected to go to the University on 30 June 2014 to collect a prize. The students are now turning their design into reality as they are currently working on producing the robot.



**Mr Ford, ICT Teacher**

# ALICE IN WONDERLAND PRODUCTION



Dates of performances for June/July 2014:  
**Tuesday 24 and Thursday 26 June**  
 Lock Inn Theatre; extracts from 'Top Girls' & 'Waiting for Godot'  
**Wednesday 25 June**  
 Charity Concert for Rainbows  
**Tuesday 1 July**  
 College Concert  
**Wednesday 2 July**  
 Year 12 PA present Devised Plays and Dance Choreography  
**Thursday 3 July**  
 Orchestra Concert

Over the last three months, the Year 13 production of *Alice in Wonderland* has been a great pleasure to see develop and come to performance. BTEC level 3 Performing Arts is at its heart about taking ownership of the creative and production process and implementing the skills learned over the course to produce a high quality piece of theatre. The cast did this with conviction and flare. The group opted for a refreshingly non traditional approach to *Alice in Wonderland* and managed to depict a world laced with surrealism, madness and comedy. This was reflected wonderfully through Sophie Ellerton's minimalist stage design and scenography, which was inspired by contemporary issues around recycling and the environment. The leadership shown by the group has been a delight to watch, as they have led younger talents to develop their own skills particularly in areas of characterisation and comedy and depict them energetically and creatively on stage. There was a moment whilst back stage, during the infamous 'tea-party' scene, where I stood grinning (almost Cheshire like) at the wonderful characters these young actors had conjured up. I felt immensely proud at seeing the journey the Year 13 students had gone on but also the wonderful talent and future the students from Year 10 hold as they just start a journey of their own in the arts. Well done cast and crew. It's been a pleasure. **Anybody for tea?**  
**Mr Morris, Drama Teacher.**



**Sunday 6 to Friday 11 July is our annual Groby Youth Theatre Tour to Whitby.**

A big thank you to all those college students, parents, staff and members of the local community who have supported our performances throughout the year. **Mr Rayner, Expressive Arts Curriculum Leader.**



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**A Level: Thursday 14 August 2014** from 9am  
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**GCSE Year 11: Thursday 21 August 2014** from 9am

The college will be open from 9.00am - 12.00noon ONLY

If you are unable to collect your certificates you can:

1. Send a representative with a note to collect them on your behalf
2. Provide a stamped addressed envelope to the Exams Officer prior to results day

### IMPORTANT NOTE:

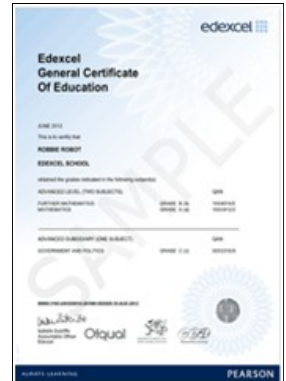
- Any uncollected year 10 results will be handed out in tutor time on the **28 August 2014**
- Exam certificates will be available for collection from **DECEMBER 2014**

More colleges and employers are asking to see certificates prior to offering places / positions therefore please don't forget to collect them.

Due to replacement costs we DO NOT post certificates – it is your responsibility to collect them from the college during reception opening hours of 8.30am - 4.30pm Monday - Thursday and 8.30am - 4.00pm on Friday.

Any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact me; [exams@grobyscoll.com](mailto:exams@grobyscoll.com)

Mrs Allison Poulton, Exams Officer.



# GOOD LUCK TO ALL STUDENTS ON THEIR EXAM RESULTS!



## WE HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A GOOD SUMMER

## YEAR 12 GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIPS

Year 12 students recently went on two Geography trips:

- Firstly to the River Lin to collect sediment samples
- Secondly to the Lincolnshire coast to look at coastal flooding in Boston, managed retreat on the Frieston Shore and coastal management at Skegness.





# PHYSICIST OF THE YEAR 2014!



**James Wardle was awarded Groby's Physicist of the Year Award, 2014.**

James Wardle, Year 12 student here at Groby Community College, attended an Award Ceremony with his family on 18 June. He joined other outstanding Year 12 Physics students from across the county at Leicester University (pictured above) for a presentation hosted by the Ogden Trust. It is always a good evening with experiments, refreshments and a really interesting astrobology lecture.

**Further evidence that Physics is fun..**

It was a great insight into university Physics for James who is looking forward to studying for an Engineering degree next year.

**James Wardle pictured right**

**Mrs Woolhouse, Lead Teacher in Physics**



## CROSS CAMPUS BAND

The first Brookvale Groby Campus Band will be performing here at Groby Community College on Thursday 3 July starting at 7.30pm.



## STUDENT WELLBEING TEAM



### UNIFORM DONATIONS

As the academic year draws to a close for Year 11 students, the SWB Team would appreciate any donations of items of clean college uniform that are no longer required.

These items of uniform will be put to good use!

Please hand in any items of uniform to the college reception - THANK YOU.

### STUDENT CONDUCT

A gentle reminder to all students regarding their conduct within the local community at lunch times. Whilst the majority of students enjoy the privilege of leaving the site at lunchtime and conduct themselves responsibly, there has been a minority who have not behaved so well. Remember... whilst out in the community students are ambassadors for the college. Poor behaviour reflects badly on us all.

Do not drop litter, be respectful of local residents and their property and maintain a positive image. The privilege of leaving the site at lunch time can and will be revoked for those students who misbehave.

### PARENTAL APPOINTMENTS

Whilst the Student Wellbeing Team will always endeavour to meet with any parent, we would appreciate that where possible appointments are made in advance. This is to ensure that a member of the team will be available to address your concerns appropriately and avoid any unnecessary waiting time.



## UNIFORM DRESS CODE

The following links are a reminder to all Parents/Carers of Groby Community College's uniform specification for their child(ren).

### YEAR 10 & 11

Here you will find specific links for both year 10 & 11

<http://www.grobycoll.com/images/pdf/guide2014-15.pdf>

Parents/Carers can order their child's uniform following the link below to our NEW uniform supplier; **Uniform Direct:**

<http://www.uniform-direct.com/acatalog/Groby-Community-College.html>

**We strongly recommend that all items of uniform are named so that they can be returned to the student if lost.**

### POST 16

For Groby Community College's Post 16 dress code please use the link below:

<http://www.grobycoll.com/index.php/post-16/dress-code>



# YOUNG CARERS WEEK 9 - 13 JUNE 2014

Groby College students celebrated Young Carers Week with assemblies and tutor activities in recognition of the lives and responsibilities of young carers.

A special thank you goes out to one of Groby's students who is a young carer and contributed to the assemblies - you know who you are!

## Do you look after someone at home?



I feel scared in case Grandad has a fit while I'm not there...

Dad's drinking again...

Pushing my sister's wheelchair makes my back hurt..

Mum's really down today...



If you are under 18 and you are looking after someone at home because they are not well or are disabled, you are a **YOUNG CARER** and you don't have to keep it to yourself...

There are people who can suggest ways to help you and your family. You may want to speak to someone you can trust like a teacher, School Nurse, GP or Youth Worker.

### Who can you speak to here?

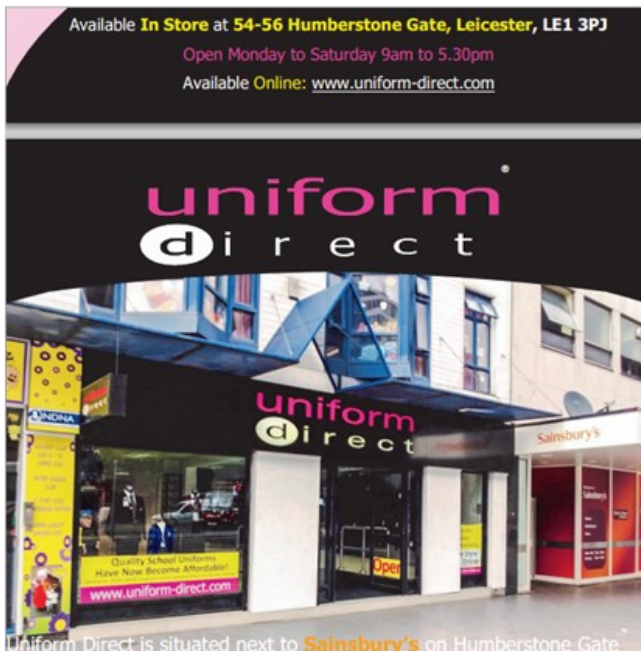
**Mrs Meadowcroft  
or Mrs Bee at  
Groby Community College**

Or if you would rather talk to someone else, you can find out more information at [www.youngcarers.net](http://www.youngcarers.net) or scan your mobile phone here



[www.leics.gov.uk/young\\_carer](http://www.leics.gov.uk/young_carer)

# NEW UNIFORM SUPPLIER - 'UNIFORM DIRECT'



Uniform Direct is situated next to Sainsbury's on Humberstone Gate

## Now Open

**HUMBERSTONE GATE, Leicester**

www.uniform-direct.com  
 54-56 Humberstone Gate, Leicester  
 Open: Mon-Sat 9:00am - 5:30pm

Quality School Uniforms Have Now Become Affordable in Leicester!

How to Purchase College Uniform from our designated supplier: **Uniform Direct**

Uniform can be purchased in the following ways:

### 1. Online

From our designated supplier, Uniform Direct:

<http://www.uniform-direct.com>

Or via a link to Uniform Direct on our college website:

<http://www.uniform-direct.com/acatalog/Groby-Community-College.html>

### 2. In store

Direct from the Uniform Direct shop in Leicester City Centre. See flyer pictured left. 54-56 Humberstone Gate Leicester, LE1 3PJ Open 9am to 5:30pm, Monday to Saturday, Tel: 0116 2511844

### 3. Sales Evenings

At our uniform sale evenings at the college on the following dates: Wednesday 2 July 3:15pm to 6:15pm OR Tuesday 8 July 6pm - 8pm

- Payment can be made by cash or cheque only please for these sales evenings.
- Sample items will be available for students to try on
- Please note that stock availability at these events cannot be guaranteed

Please note that during term time, uniform stock **will not** be held at the college, (other than college ties), so uniform will have to be purchased online or via the shop in Leicester.

We expect all Year 10 and 11 students to wear full college uniform throughout every day.

We want to make sure that students and parents are completely clear about what is, and is not, allowed so that money is not wasted by purchasing inappropriate items.

**We strongly recommend that all items of uniform are named so that they can be returned to the student if lost!**

If you have any questions about the uniform guidance and purchasing information, please contact:

**Mrs Debbie Lee**

**Student Services Manager,  
Groby Community College**

**dlee@grobyscoll.com**

**DDI: 0116 281 7001**

**Switchboard: 0116 287 9921**

uniform direct  
www.uniform-direct.com

**Groby Community College**

Navy V-Neck Knitted Jumper with Logo	from £12.99
Girls Navy Knitted Cardigan with Logo	from £13.99
Clip-on Tie	£4.99
White Blouses and Shirts	from £3.99
Black Skirts and Trousers	from £9.99
Navy PE Polo Shirt with Logo	from £6.99
Sapphire/Heather PE Hoodie with Logo	from £11.99
Black PE Shorts	from £2.99
Black Football Socks	£2.99
Black Tracksuit Bottoms (Optional)	£12.99

Available **In Store** at **54-56 Humberstone Gate, Leicester, LE1 3PJ**  
 Open Monday to Saturday 9am to 5.30pm  
 Available **Online**: [www.uniform-direct.com](http://www.uniform-direct.com)



## POST 16 NEWS

Year 13 students are nearing the end of their exams and looking forward to a well deserved rest before taking the next step towards their future. We wish them well and hope to see them all on results day and at the Year 13 prom on Friday 15 August.

Year 12 students have finished their AS exams and have now started their A2 studies. Our Year 12 higher education day on 12 June was a success and many students were able to talk to university representatives and take away further information. The next step is to begin the UCAS process for Year 12's. We have dedicated time during induction week, Thursday 3 July, periods 3 & 4 to start the online process and also to begin to think about their personal statements. At the end of the induction week we have arranged a day of Post 16 activities, such as paintballing, Go-karting, bowling and in house activities. All Year 12 students will be involved with the activity day and we hope that this will be a nice way to celebrate the end of Year 12.



Miss Wood (pictured far right) & Mrs Hubbard  
Head of Post 16 & Deputy Principal respectively

Have a wonderful summer.



Grobby Community College is always trying to improve the Post 16 facilities and on Monday 9 June we officially opened the NEW Post 16 study room pictured left.

This new study area is already being well used by our Post 16 students.

## TRAFFIC SAFETY ON CAMPUS

In order to keep the campus as safe as possible for students, Parents/Carers are reminded they **are not** allowed on campus with a vehicle:

- To drop off their son/daughter **between 8:25am and 8:50am** to allow for the buses to enter the site.
- To collect their son/daughter **until 3.20pm** to allow time for the buses to leave the site.



There should be **no parking** on the double yellow lines in front of the main entrance at any time, with the exception of emergency vehicles, buses, and vehicles collecting disabled students or for disabled visitor parking.

Please be considerate of access and safety for local residents and students leaving the campus when parking on external roads.

**We have secure cycle shelters and encourage students to choose the healthier option of walking or cycling to college where possible.**

**The safety of your child is our main priority.**

Mrs Hollingshead, Assistant Principal - Business

# SPORTS RELIEF



We celebrated Sports Relief on Friday 21 March 2014. All students took part in the Sports Relief Mile during period 6 (2.10pm - 3.10pm) and we managed to raise **£236.56** throughout the day, which is a fantastic effort. After college Groby staff took on Brookvale staff in a football match, with the score finishing 4-4, although Brookvale won on penalties.

**Mr Mark Lord**  
PE Subject Leader



## ANNUAL SPORTS PRESENTATION EVENING

**Friday 20 June 2014**

Sports Presentation Evening is an opportunity to celebrate and recognise the outstanding sporting achievements that many of our students have achieved in sporting activities during the last year, both in and out of college.

The evening included awarding certificates and medals for sports performers, including the presentation of the prestigious top 6 main awards:

**Sportsman of the Year**

**Sportswoman of the Year**

**The John Hodgess Commemorative Trophy**

**The Daryl Rimington Award**

**Academic PE Award**

**Best All-Rounder**

The John Hodgess Commemorative Trophy and The Daryl Rimington Award are in memory of past students.

We also arranged for a local sports personality to present the awards - look out for the photos in the next edition in September.

**Mr Mark Lord, PE Subject Leader**



## ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR HANNAH COX

Hannah Cox has had another successful year in her sporting endeavours.

Once again she represented Leicestershire at the English Schools National Cross Country Championships, after a good season in the Leicestershire Secondary Schools Cross Country League. At club level Hannah finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in Leicestershire and 10<sup>th</sup> in the Midlands, representing Leicestershire at Inter-Countries. She also entered the London Mini- Marathon trials for the East Midlands and qualified to run the last 5km of the London Marathon course an hour before the main event. Hannah finished 1<sup>st</sup> of the East Midlands runners, coming in 15<sup>th</sup> place overall, in what would have been an amazing experience. Hannah has also had a successful orienteering season, again winning the British Schools Score and Championship Races. This has led to selection to represent Great Britain in the 2014 Youth Orienteering Championships which are being held in Strumica, Macedonia at the end of June. She has also been invited to the Great Britain Talent Squad training days in the Lake District in July and has been selected to go on tour to Stockholm, Sweden. Some fantastic achievements and a busy summer ahead!

**Well done Hannah!**



## CONNOR BRYAN USA SOCCER SCHOLARSHIP

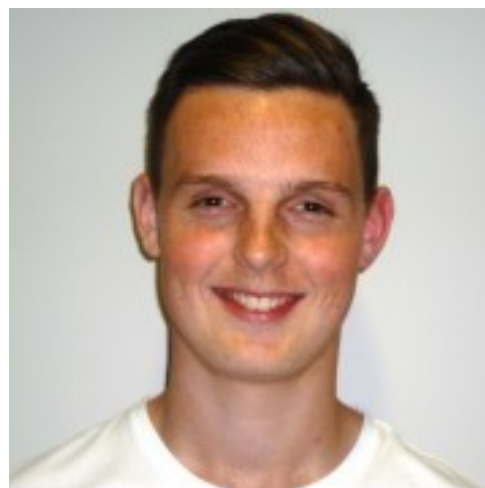
Connor Bryan has been awarded a 4 year Soccer Scholarship to attend William Baptist University in Arkansas USA from August 2014. As well as playing 'international soccer' he will be majoring in PE & Sports Coaching while he's there. His conference (league) includes teams from Tennessee, Kentucky, Missouri and Illinois so he will be touring the southern states.

Connor is in year 13 at Groby Community College where he studies 3 A levels; Applied Science, Graphics and Photography. He has always been a keen sportsman representing his college in various sports and is also an avid snowboarder. But his first love is football - after spending several years playing for local teams as a formidable goalkeeper, he's just spent his first complete season on pitch, playing for both Anstey Nomads U18 team and Groby U18 team.

He is due to fly out to Arkansas on 11 August - a day after he gets back from a 4 week charity expedition to Kenya with Camps International. Connor has been fundraising along with 26 other Groby Community College students, for the 'once in a lifetime' charity trip for the past 18 months and didn't realise both opportunities would be presented at the same time. Whilst there, students will be taking part in conservation projects, which involve learning to scuba dive and community development work, including building a school for the local children. His fundraising has included a sponsored 'Snowboard down Everest', a tribute band night, competing in the 10 km Avalanche Run in freezing conditions and making hundreds of jars of chilli jam! Although he's only a few hundred pounds off his £4000 target, if anyone would like to make a donation to this worthwhile cause, please contact Connor directly at [connorbryan18@sky.com](mailto:connorbryan18@sky.com) or take a look at his charity fundraising page on Facebook - Connor Bryan's Fundraising - Camps International.

All in all an exciting few months are ahead for Connor and as a family, we are extremely proud of what he's achieved. His scholarship has been awarded for both his football and academic success and Groby Community College are also proud of his achievements both on and off the pitch. Well done Con - we're going to miss you!

**Mrs Karen Marston (proud Mum!)**



## KEY DIARY DATES FOR JUNE & JULY 2014

- Monday 2 June • College open
- Tuesday 3 June • Higher Education parents/carers' evening 6.00pm
- Wednesday 11 - Friday 13 June • Summer Show
- Friday 20 June • Year 10 interim reports available online via Parental Online Access
- Tuesday 24 and Thursday 26 June • Lock Inn Theatre; extracts from 'Top Girls' & 'Waiting for Godot' 7.30pm
- Wednesday 25 June • Charity Concert for Rainbows
- Wednesday 25 June • Sports Day
- Monday 30 June - Tuesday 1 July • Year 12 taster lessons
- 1 July • College Concert 7.30pm
- Wednesday 2 July • Year 12 PA presents 'Devised Plays' and 'Dance Choreography' 7.30pm
- Wednesday 2 July • Uniform sales evening 3.15pm - 6.15pm
- Wednesday 2 - Friday 4 July • Induction days
- Thursday 3 July • Orchestra Concert 7.30pm
- Sunday 6 - Friday 11 July • Groby Youth Theatre Tour to Whitby
- Tuesday 8 July • Uniform sales evening 6pm - 8pm
- FRIDAY 11 JULY • COLLEGE CLOSSES AT 1.20pm** (in line with Brookvale Highschool)

### AUTUMN TERM DATES 2014

Open	Thursday 28 August 2014 (Year 10 & Year 11 students)
Teacher Day	Friday 17 October 2014 (Students do not attend)
Mid-Term Break	Monday 20 to Friday 24 October 2014
Close	Friday 19 December 2014

### SPRING TERM DATES 2015

Open	Monday 5 January 2015
Mid-Term Break	Monday 16 to Friday 20 February 2015
Close	Friday 27 March 2015

### SUMMER TERM DATES 2015

Open	Monday 13 April 2015
May Day	Monday 4 May 2015
Mid-Term Break	Monday 25 to Friday 29 May 2015
Close	Friday 10 July 2015

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