



BRITTONS SCHOOL & TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE



JULY 2006

SUMMER

Monday 16 April to
Friday 20 July 2007

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Dear Parent/Guardian

I would like to bring the following items to your attention:

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 13 July	2.20 pm
Year 7 Presentation	
Monday 17 July	2.20 pm
Year 8 Presentation	
Tuesday 18 July	2.20 pm
Year 9 Presentation	
Wednesday 19 July	2.20 pm
Year 10 Presentation	
Thursday 20 July	6.30 – 8.30
pm Presentation	Evening
Friday 21 July	12.20 pm
END OF TERM	

SCHOOL
CLOSES FOR
SUMMER

VACATION
Wednesday 6 September School re-opens

2006 – 2007 CALENDAR

TERMS	INCLUSIVE DATES
AUTUMN	Monday 4
September to	Tuesday 19
December 2006	
SPRING	Wednesday 3
January to	Friday 30 March
2007	

OCCASIONAL SCHOOL CLOSURES

Directed Days: Monday 4 September,
Tuesday 5 September 2006, Friday 9
February 2007 and Friday 30 March 2007.

EARLY CLOSURE FRIDAY 21 JULY 2006

I wish to inform you there will be an early closure for staff training on Friday, 21 July 2006. Students will be dismissed at 12.20 pm. The canteen will be open until 1.00 pm for those students who require a meal.

START OF THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

School will re-open on **WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2006** and the arrangements are as follows:

8.40 am	NEW YEAR 7 STUDENTS ARRIVE and report to the Hall
10.00 am	YEARS 8 AND 9 STUDENTS ARRIVE Year 8 pupils report to the Hall Year 9 pupils report to the Boys' Gym

REMINDER TO PUPILS

SWIPE CARDS

Please remember to bring your card or £2.50
FOR A NEW ONE!

Remember that this card is used for:

- Cashless canteen purchases
- As your library card
- As your lunch time pass

DOES YOUR CHILD LOSE THEIR CARD? If so,
why not obtain a LANYARD (nylon neck strap
to hold swipe cards) in maroon with the
school logo which can be purchased from
the Finance Office for £2.00.

HEAD PERSONS AND DEPUTIES 2006 - 2007

Congratulations go to the students listed below who have been appointed to the following posts of responsibility:

HEAD BOY: Dean
Gannon
HEAD GIRL: Danika
Wood
DEPUTY HEAD BOY: Kieran Dyer
DEPUTY HEAD GIRL: Rachel Ward

SENIOR PREFECTS

Hannah Ratford 10 PMA
Amy Debono 10 KSL
Ryan Martin 10 LPD
Sean Tillin 10 PMA

TEAM LEADERS

Leanne West 10 CTH
Natasha Dray 10 EGS
Nicola West 10 EGS
Annmarie Huggins 10 PMA
Charlie Walton 10 CTH
Helena Chaplin 10 KSL
Vallessa Solo 10 CTH
Hollie Tatner 10 PTH
Frankie Griggs 10 KSL
Nathan Finn 10 PMA
Christopher Davies 10 PTH
Abbey Martin 10 PTH
Ashleigh Stokes 10 CTH
Billy Edwards 10 LPD
Jamie Chohen 10 PMA
Richard Shorey 10 SKS
Sarah Nolan 10 PMA

PREFECTS

10 CTH 10 EGS
Denni Hurndall Claire Savage

Luke Rawling Stephanie Tilley
Jay Edmead Rachel Blackabee
Cynthia Tashie-Lewis Jamie Finan
Mark Beaumont Leanne Green
Roxanne Philip Danny Showell
Darren Browning Luke Gillingham
Daniel Fresa Billy O'Sullivan
Amy Garratt Jodie Cohen
Kelsie Stannard Charlotte Langridge
Michael Aldis
Carl Creasey
Daniel Hockley
Jane King
Ross Richards

10 KSL 10 LPD
Keith Frewin Anna Hall
Katy Parsons Sophie Richardson
Benny Cordrey Jonathan Wilson
Michael Davis Brooke Lynch
Hayley McMahon Geraldine Cadman
Jack Miller Nicola Jeremiah
Jamie Naylor Jordan Hart
Josie Owen Lukshmi Budwal
Yazmyn Felix Rebecca Mayes
Luke Johnson Sarah Taylor
Bradley Shearer Darryl Wells

10 PMA 10 PTH
Lauren Dooley Emma Greenleaf
Nancy Jones Luke Clifton
Belle Farey Christopher McGilly
Mitchell Haver Stacey Seaborne
Zack Allington Tina Ravenhill-Bell
Rebecca Sibthorne Jake Thornton
Arron Carr Darren Wright
Filomena Sterkaj

10 SKS

Kayleigh Wilson

Paris Sydes

Lenny Swain

Joanne Davis

Nancy Dumbuya

Sercan Erdal

Sammy Price

Dean Hartley

Majlinda Memeti

Nathan Hussein

Ervis Kaca

Steven Greest

Erika Horvathova

10 TGS

Nicole Dickinson

William Meeks

Sophie Tucker

Terry Dunn

Ryan Browning

James Bates

Ryan Cornell

Nathan Scott

Rahul Patel

STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

We offer our congratulations to the following students who have been elected to serve for 2006–2007:

	MALE	FEMALE
YEAR 8		
CTH	Owen Hayward	Nana Benewah
EGS	James Peck	Ellie Megennis
KSL	Jack Whitelock	Sacha Lingane
LPD	Jake Nunn	Zainub Freed
PMA	Rapha Katalyi	Rachel Barham
PTH	Dale Cusak	Charley Guest
SKS	Samiul Rahman	Ami White
TGS	Greg Bowles	Paige Davey

YEAR 9		
CTH	Mitchell Allison	Amy Ward
EGS	Brandon Russell	Toyosi Adebese
KSL	Sam Abiola	Sevim Ekmekci
LPD	Ryan Ashdown	Rebecca Stokes
PMA	George Allen	Tolu Olarewaju
PTH	Lewis Williams	Chloe Allan
SKS	Moses Ologunja	Gemma Warren
TGS	Robbie Wyatt	Rebecca Worboyes
YEAR 10		
CTH	Billy O'Donoghue	Samantha Dove
EGS	Craig Kelleher	Gemma Purdie
KSL	Clarke Berry	Charlotte Collins
LPD	Mark Landers	Claire Wiggins
PMA	Geoffrey Potts	Alisha Martin
PTH	Charlie Theobald	Samantha Bristow
SKS	Leon Lord	Stephanie Hazell
TGS	Tashan Westfield	Hayley Evans
YEAR 11		
CTH	Nyiwa Katalayi	Natasha Cook
EGS	Robert McGovern	Claire Savage
KSL	Benny Cordrey	Hayley McMahon
LPD	Ryan Martin	Nicola Jeremiah
PMA	Nicholas Carthy	Lauren Dooley
PTH	Darren Wright	Osasogie Nosa-Alohan
SKS	Peter Gyimah	Geraldina Memeti
TGS	Rahul Patel	Rachel Ward

PROVISIONAL GCSE WRITTEN EXAMINATION DATES

The provisional GCSE written examination dates are:

14 May – 27 June 2007

NOTE: Other GCSE examinations will take place before these dates e.g. language speaking examination, physical education practical, drama moderation, art timed examination, science module examinations and GNVQ and key skills examinations.

DATES FOR KS3 SATS EXAMINATIONS

Tuesday 8 May – Friday 11 May 2007

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE DATES 2007

Begins: Monday, 16 April 2007

Ends: Friday, 27 April 2007

28 September 2006 Parent's Evening to be held to discuss Work Experience

Deadlines:

7 November 2006 Work Experience Applications

8 December 2006 Private Placements

12 March 2007 Agreement Forms sent to parents

19 March – 26 March 2007 Students to contact employer to arrange interview

SCIENCE FACULTY REVISION SESSIONS 2006 – 2007 YEARS 9, 10 AND 11

DATE	YEAR 11 EDEXCEL GCSE	TEACHER AND LAB	YEAR 10 21 C SCIENCE GCSE	TEACHER AND LAB	YEAR 9 SATS	TEACHER AND LAB
28/11/06			B2	TUR S11		
5/12/06			C1	LAD 106		
12/12/06			B1	LBW S21		

9/1/07	MODULE 1	RFD S13	P1	COL S12	BIOLOGY YEAR 7	TUR S11
15/1/07			P2	CLN S32		
16/1/07	MODULE 2	COL S12	C2	LAW S22	BIOLOGY YEAR 8	LBW S21
23/1/07	MODULE 3	LAD 106			BIOLOGY YEAR 9	COL S12
30/1/07	MODULE 4	AGY6 S31			CHEMISTRY YEAR 7	RFD S13
6/2/07	MODULE 5	TUR S11			CHEMISTRY YEAR 8	RFD S13
20/2/07	MODULE 6	CLN S32			CHEMISTRY YEAR 9	LBW S21
27/2/07	MODULE 7	LBW S21			PHYSICS YEAR 7	CLN S32
6/3/07	MODULE 8	LAW S22			PHYSICS YEAR 8	AGY S31
13/3/07	MODULE 9	AGY S31			PHYSICS YEAR 9	CLN S32
20/3/07	MODULE 10	LAD 106			DROP IN SESSION	RFD S13
27/3/07	MODULE 11	COL S12			DROP IN SESSION	TUR S11
17/4/07	MODULE 12	AGY S31			DROP IN SESSION	RFD S13
24/4/07	MODULE S 1, 2, 7 AND 8	TUR S11			DROP IN SESSION	CLN S32
1/5/07	MODULE S 3, 4, 9 AND 10	RFD S13				
9/5/07	MODULE S 6, 7, 11 AND 12	RFD S13	B3	LAW S22		
15/5/07			C3	LAD 106		
22/5/07			P3	RFD S13		

MULTI SPORTS FESTIVAL – YEAR 6

Scargill Junior's, Newtons Primary's and Whybridge Junior's Year 6 pupils took part in a multi sports festival on the 27 June 2006. They all took part in tournaments for football, netball and rounders over the course of the day.

All pupils from all schools played very well and behaviour is something they can all be proud of. Whybridge Junior did come out with the most points, but Newtons Primary was unable to finish their last game of rounders, so I think we can call it a draw.

I would also like to thank the following Year 9 pupils who helped throughout the whole day, and without whom the day would not have run nearly as smoothly as it did:

Aaron Beach, Christopher Brunt, Rosey Sullivan, Francescs Hurndall, Danny Giles, Lauren Rush, Jack Leech, Chloe Revel, Shanie Page and Ahsaan Freed

On the following Tuesday, 4 July, it was the Year 2's opportunity to show what they could do. They took part in a 'funday' comprising of four relay races and ending with a sprint at the end.

Once again, the pupils did their teachers, school, family and community proud, so a big well done to those as well.

This was also run by Year 9 and a work experience pupil, without whom the day could not have gone ahead. So can I offer a big thank you to the following:

Billy O'Donoghue, Samuel Martin, Hayley Evans, Sarah Rust, Lisarta Sahani, Geoffrey Potts and Lauren McGuinness.

Many thanks to all the Brittons pupils who have helped out with events for local primary schools over the past school year. You have all been a credit to our school. Very well done to all of you!!

Mr M Slattery

School Sports Co-ordinator

THE JACK PETCHEY AWARD

The Jack Petchey Award is presented to students who demonstrate positive acts of citizenship, involvement of extra-curricular activities, peer mediation, for represent the school, raising money for charity and overcoming personal difficulties.

JACK PETCHEY MONTHLY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECORD CHART YEAR 2006 SCHOOLS/COLLEGES - JANUARY TO JUNE				
Month	Name of Award Winner	FORM	Reason for Award	Grant Used For
January	Victoria Lloyd	8 CTH	THE WAY SHE HANDLED THE DEATH OF HER FATHER IN AN EXTREMELY MATURE WAY. HAS OFFERED HELP TO OTHERS AND MYSELF IN A CARING MANNER WITHOUR LOOKING FOR ANY PRAISE OR GAIN.	SCIENCE FACULTY
February	Steven Steadman	9 SKS	FOR HIS BEHAVIOUR AND CONTRIBUTION TO THE PARIS TRIP, PARTICULARLY THE WAY HE LOOKED AFTER AND ORGANISED THE YEAR 8'S IN HIS ROOM.	PE FACULTY
March	Valessa Solo	10 CTH	SHE CAME IN FROM ABOARD AT THE START OF YEAR 10, SPOKE VERY LITTLE ENGLISH AND DID NOT KNOW ANYONE. SHE FACED DIFFICULTIES IN EVERY ASPECT OF THE CURRICULUM BUT STILL TRIED HER BEST. SHE IS A VERY CONSCIENTIOUS, HARD WORKING AND DEDICATED STUDENT. SHE HAS BEEN A GREAT ASSET IN HELPING MRS ROOTES COMMUNICATE WITH A NEW YEAR 7STUDENT WHO ONLY SPEAKS FRENCH. SHE HAS BEEN A BRILLIANT BUDDY TO NEW EAL STUDENT. SHE HAS BEFRIENDED HIM, HELPED US TRANSLATE FROM FRENCH TO ENGLISH AND HELPED HIM SETTLE INTO BRITTONS.	MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGE FACULTY
April	Jay Brooks	9 PMA	FOR BEING A BUDDY TO A YEAR 8 STUDENT.	TBC

May	Paris Allison	7 SKS	SINCE PARIS BEGAN YEAR 7 SHE HAS ALWAYS MADE A GREAT EFFORT TO ASSIST IN FORM TIME REGARDLESS WHAT THE TASK NEEDED DOING WAS. THIS EAGERNESS IS PRESENT BEFORE FORM TIME AS WELL AS DURING FORM TIME. AS A RESULT OF HER EFFORT AND ENTHUSIASM FOR HER CLASSMATES, HER PEERS ELECTED HER A YEAR 7 FORM REP. THIS WAS AN IMPRESSIVE INITIAL ACHIEVEMENT FOR A STUDENT WHO HAD SELF CONFIDENCE ISSUES DUE TO PREVIOUS 'ISSUES' AT PRIMARY SCHOOL. FROM BEING ELECTED BY HER PEERS AS A FORM REP, PARIS HAS SOLELY TAKEN THE RESPONSIBILITY OF COLLECTING; RECORDING AND RETURNING THE PAPER FORM REGISTER EVERY MORNING WITHOUT FAIL OR COMPLAINT (UNLESS SHE HAS BEEN ABSENT AND THEN SHE ORGANISED 'COVER' FOR HERSELF. WITH THE CAPACITY OF FORM REP, PARIS HAS PROACTIVELY UNDERTAKEN HER DUTIES WITH GREAT EFFORT AND ENTHUSIASM IN ORDER TO ASSIST MYSELF IN THE EFFICIENT RUNNING OF OUR FORM. THIS INCLUDES WEEKLY UNIFORM AND STATIONERY CHECKS OF PEERS WHEREBY THOSE FAILING ARE ESCORTED TO THE RELEVANT PERSON. DESPITE THE GREAT EFFORT DESCRIBED ABOVE, PARIS CONTINUES TO HELP ME BEFORE AND DURING FORM TIME ON A WEEKLY BASIS.	TBC
June	Mia Cooman	7PTH	FOR HER DEDICATION TO SPORT. SHE REPRESENTS THE SCHOOL IN A RANGE OF DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES AND IS ALWAYS PRESENT AT EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS.	TBC

YOUNGSTERS WITH 'GIFT OF THE GAB' – JACK PETCHY SPEAK OUT! CHALLENGE

The £100,000 contest was launched in Havering and six other neighbouring boroughs in June 2006 with the aim of giving pupils the confidence and ability to speak well in public.

Each school was urged to select 25 pupils to receive six hours training in public speaking. About 2,500 youngsters entered and have been whittled down through borough finals to seven grand finalists. The ultimate winner will pick up a £1,000 bond for himself or herself and £1,000 cash for his or her school.

Havering's final was held at Bower Park School and the judging was made by Recorder Editor, Mark Sweetingham, Deputy Mayor Cllr Georgina Galpin, her husband Brian and Cllr Andrew Mann. First prize went to a 15 year old Coopers' Coborn student and second was our own Danika Wood of 10 PMA. Third place went to a St Edwards student. All three won ipod music players.

Congratulations and well done to Danika!

CONGRATULATIONS

To Kathleen Dordoy of 9 TGS who was presented with a trophy at her football presentation evening in Grays. Kathleen plays for Willburn Wanderers Girls and has only been with the team for twelve weeks. Well done Kathleen!

To Hollie Tatner 10 PTH who received her Jack Petchey Achievement Award for girlguiding.

Also, well done to Amy Debono of 10 KSL who received a bronze medal in Judo at the London Youth Games held at Crystal Palace on Saturday 17 June 2006. What an outstanding achievement.

Update on Becky Smith's, 8 PMA, achievements – As you are all aware Becky has been performing in 'Billy Elliot' at the Victoria Palace Theatre for the past six months and she is thrilled to have been

asked to stay on for a further six months until December 2006.

Becky is also doing very well in her dance competitions, winning 14 trophies since February. Last month Becky performed at the British Arts Finals at Bloomsbury Theatre, London where she was awarded the accolade of 'British Arts All Rounder 2006', for which she received a trophy and a bag full of dance goodies. Thank you to mum who keeps us updated!

Congratulations and well done to Kathleen, Hollie, Amy and Becky.

Ms S Reddington
Gifted and Talented Co-ordinator

LIBRARY NEWS

Many thanks for all your support with the Tesco Computers for Schools vouchers. We collected almost 40,000 and have ordered a digital camcorder, two digital cameras and some other IT equipment. These should be delivered next term.

Thanks again for supporting the Summer Book Fair. The students enjoyed our World Cup related competition and we earned £130 worth of free books for the Library.

Reminder for September – students can buy stationery from the Library at very reasonable prices including pens, pencils, rulers, rubbers, calculators and USB memory sticks.

Mrs H Handley
Librarian

'MARINES AWARENESS DAYS' – 17, 18 AND 19 OCTOBER 2006 – GILWELL PARK ACTIVITY CENTRE

Brittons School has been offered up to fifteen places for male students on one of the available dates. This is an opportunity to spend a challenging, rewarding and exciting day out with the Royal Marine

Commandos. 'Marines Awareness Days' are UK wide events that afford members of the public the opportunity to come and meet Britain's Commandos and get a feel for what they do.

This is a rare chance to have fun, whilst gaining an insight into this elite Corps by participating in a range of exciting activities. The programme may include physical challenges such as team games and circuit training, leadership tasks, rock wall climbing, abseiling, weapon familiarisation and unarmed combat demonstrations.

Each 'Marines Awareness Day' will commence at approximately 09.30 am and terminate at 4.00 pm and the day promises to be one of the most challenging and stimulating public events ever hosted by the Royal Navy. It is hoped that those attending will find it thoroughly enjoyable and rewarding.

Further information will be made available early next term.

REMINDERS FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Thank you for your co-operation.

MOBILE TELEPHONES

We have no objection to students carrying mobile telephones in their bags subject to the following conditions :

- The school accepts no responsibility for the loss, theft or damage to mobile telephones.
- Telephones must be switched off whilst at school. No calls must be made or received during school time. If telephones are used during school hours, they will be confiscated and held for parents to collect.

CYCLING TO SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2006

Students must be aware that cycling to school is not permitted in the first two weeks of the new school year. During this period, we will inform them which day they must bring their cycles in for a police check. Once this is done, and students have produced a valid cycling proficiency certificate, and a helmet, they will be issued with a cycle pass permitting them to ride their bicycle to school and to store it on the school site. (Please note that we do not accept any responsibility for any damage done to a bicycle or its loss. Therefore, parents must ensure that cycles are adequately insured). For those students who do not possess a cycling proficiency certificate, we will make arrangements to enable them to obtain one.

THE WEARING OF JEWELLERY IN SCHOOL

The policy of the London Borough of Havering Education and Community Services Division is that, for Health and Safety reasons, pupils are not permitted to wear rings on their fingers/earrings or body pierced jewellery whilst at school. Should students attend school wearing unauthorised jewellery items, it is the policy of the school to ask students to remove the items and then to place these in the school safe until parents can call to collect them.

No jewellery may be worn during Physical Education lessons as to do so may constitute

a risk to the safety of students and staff concerned. London Borough of Havering guidelines, issued on 24 March 1997 state that :

“The wearing of all forms of decorative jewellery, such as rings and earrings (including studs and sleepers), hair slides, watches and other objects which may get caught or break easily, should not be permitted. The wearing of such adornments creates an unacceptable environment for work in any physical education lesson and by allowing it to be worn any resulting injury could lead to claims of negligence.”

MAKE-UP

Make-up may be worn but should be discrete, not flamboyant and ‘heavy’!

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please note that all our uniform items will display our school logo which has been embroidered onto each article supplied by our uniform supplier. This is particularly relevant to school blazers. Therefore, the school will no longer supply badges.

We pride ourselves on the way our students look and behave. In order to maintain our high reputation all students must wear:

- Maroon blazer (with embroidered school logo)
- White long sleeved shirt/blouse
- Black trousers/skirts (conservative in cut and length – hem to the middle of the knee)
- Maroon V neck pullover/cardigan (with logo)
- Plain black or white socks or plain black tights
- Plain black low heeled shoes (no boots, canvas shoes, sling backs or slip-on footwear)
- School tie
- Winter coat – plain black
- If a hairband is worn, it must be black or maroon

School Bags – each student must have a proper school bag big enough for an A4 binder folder. It can be a rucksack or satchel type. Pump bags, plastic bags or small handbags are not acceptable as a sturdy school bag.

PE UNIFORM

Boys' Indoor

White shorts (with logo), white polo top (with logo), white socks, white trainers

Boys' Outdoor

Black shorts (with logo), reversible rugby top (maroon with white stripe), maroon football socks, black jogging bottoms (with maroon stripe and logo), maroon sweatshirt (with logo) (optional), black rain jacket with school name and logo (optional), football boots

Girls' Indoor

White polo shirt (with logo), maroon pleated skirt (with logo) (also for outdoor), maroon shorts (with logo) (also for outdoor), white shorts (with logo), plain white socks, white trainers

Girls' Outdoor

Reversible rugby top (maroon with white stripe), maroon football socks, black jogging bottoms (with maroon stripe and logo), maroon sweatshirt (with logo) (optional), trainers, black rain jacket (optional).

School Uniform Supplier

Havering Schoolwear Ltd
119 Belgrave Avenue
Gidea Park
Romford RM2 6PS
Telephone: 01708 767890
www.haveringschoolwear.co.uk

Ties are available from the school at a cost of £6.00.

PARTICIPATION IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION

You may no doubt be aware, from national publicity, that the Government has asked all schools to ensure that its healthy eating and fitness strategy is enacted. Accordingly, last year, in order to improve the health and fitness of our pupils, we restructured our curriculum to enhance the provision of time for physical education activities. We also asked our canteen contractor to address the issues of excess fat, sugar and salt in their food and they responded to this request positively.

In addition, the staff who teach physical education changed their schemes of work to ensure that a greater variety of sports, games and activities become available for the pupils to participate in.

I wish, therefore, to remind all pupils that participation in Physical Education is not an option, it is a legal requirement that they take part in the planned activities. The only exception to this is where a child has a serious medical condition which is supported by a hospital consultant's report. In such cases we will then make alternative arrangements for the PE lesson.

Where a pupil seeks a temporary dispensation from participating in PE this must be supported by a doctor's note, not a note from a parent or guardian. Pupils who arrive without a doctor's note will be provided with kit and will be expected to participate in the lesson.

We, therefore, seek your co-operation to ensure that your child does not seek a dispensation unless this is supported by a doctor's note.

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n behalf of Governors and staff of the school
I wish you all a good vacation and look forward to seeing you in September 2006.

Yours sincerely

ROBERT W SHEFFIELD
Principal