



# BRITTONS SCHOOL & TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE



## MAY 2005

**D**ear Parent/Guardian  
I would like to bring the following items to your attention:

### IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June inclusive	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Friday 24 June	Non uniform Day
Thursday 30 June	Variety Show
Thursday 14 July	2.45 pm Year 7 Presentation
Friday 15 July	Sports Day
Monday 18 July	2.45 pm Year 8 Presentation
Tuesday 19 July	2.45 pm Year 9 Presentation
Wednesday 20 July	2.45 pm Year 10 Presentation
Thursday 21 July	6.30 – 8.30 Presentation Evening
Friday 22 July	<b>SUMMER CLOSURES FOR SUMMER VACATION</b>

**PLEASE NOTE THAT MONDAY 6 JUNE 2005 IS NOW A NORMAL SCHOOL DAY AND NOT A STAFF TRAINING DAY.**

### 2005 OFSTED

Although the Chair of Governors and the Senior Leadership Team have had sight of a draft Ofsted report, the final one has not yet been approved by Her Majesty Inspectors for distribution. Therefore, at this moment in time, I can only note for you the following highlights:

- The effectiveness of the school's self evaluation is **OUTSTANDING**
- Monitoring and evaluation of performance is **OUTSTANDING**
- Learning progress is **GOOD**
- Learning behaviour is **GOOD**
- Teaching and Learning is **GOOD**
- Spiritual, moral, social and cultural development is **GOOD**
- Learning care and guidance is **GOOD**
- Use of resources is **GOOD**

The Inspectors' overall judgement was that:

- Brittons is a **GOOD** school

In 'Ofsted speak' this is an excellent overall report. Our targets are to provide more work related courses at Key Stage 4 and to help pupils to gain higher levels in examinations.

I wish to thank all staff and pupils for their efforts in ensuring that we received this accolade.

When the full report is available this will be posted in the newsletter section on our website at [www.brittons.havering.sch.uk](http://www.brittons.havering.sch.uk).

### ADVANCE NOTICE TO PARENTS/CARERS

In order to encourage our students to be more organised in terms of remembering to bring the correct equipment to school and in ensuring their exercise and text books are kept neat and tidy, we will, from September, be requiring students to bring to school a sturdy backpack style bag big enough to carry their school books, files and other stationery. Students will be allowed to bring a more casual bag in which to put their PE kit as normal. Fashion handbags will not be allowed.

We would be grateful if parents/carers could support us in our endeavours by ensuring their child/children always bring their school bag with them along with the necessary equipment for lessons.

### LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING'S AND HOME OFFICE RESPECT AND RESPONSIBILITY CAMPAIGN

On the 22 June 2005 fifty guests, including the local MP, Mayor, Home Office Minister, Local Chief of Police and dignitaries, will be at Brittons School to launch the London Borough of Havering's and Home Office Respect and Responsibility Campaign, which is about respect for community, people, property, anti gun/knife etc.

### BRITTONS ABROAD SKI TOURS

This year Brittons School saw two successful ski and snowboard tours depart for Austria and the United States. Once again a lower school and an upper school tour have been launched. It is testament to all students who take part in these tours that we are regularly congratulated on how well behaved and well mannered your children are. Thank you.

- **Lower School Ski Tour to Powder Mountain, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA – 11 – 19 February 2006**

Reminder – an interim payment of £300 is due by Friday, 17 June for the above lower school tour. Should you wish to pay in smaller instalments before this date please do so.

- **Upper School Ski Tour to the Canyons, Park City, Utah, USA – 1 – 9 April 2006**

Reminder – an interim payment of £300 is due by Friday, 15 July for the above upper school tour. Should you wish to pay in smaller instalments before this date please do so.

Payment can be made by cash or cheque payable to 'Brittons School', with your address and son/daughter's name and form on the back.

All monies must be paid to Mrs A Wright, the Finance Secretary, in the Finance Office.

**Mr I Ashton / Mr M Hulbert  
Tour Organisers**

## HEAD PERSONS AND DEPUTIES 2005 - 2006

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

HEAD BOY: Matthew Smith  
HEAD GIRL: Helen Young

DEPUTY HEAD BOYS: Billy Barton  
Martyn Lowe

DEPUTY HEAD GIRLS: Lucy Corke  
Karen Chan

### SENIOR PREFECTS

Jamie Kent	10 CTH
Nicola Newman	10 EGS
Cassandra Earey	10 KSL
Avalon Rabey	10 KSL
Reece Croom	10 LPD
Mica Mcdonald	10 LPD
Laura Wyatt	10 LPD
Chloe Magri	10 PMA
Stephanie Prowse	10 PMA
Allison Blackley	10 PTH
Leigha-Erin Hislop	10 KSL
Kerry Smith	10 SKS
Raymond Hollis	10 TGS
Clare Steadman	10 TGS

### PREFECTS

#### 10 CTH

Lucy Corke  
Chloe Coughlan  
Jasmin Cunningham  
Henry Dankwa  
Emma Dyerson  
Jack Fray  
Alexander Hedges  
Jamie Kent  
Fade Odusina  
Lauren Porter  
Jack Wing

#### 10 KSL

Billy Barton  
Fay Coughlan  
Sian Douglas  
Cassandra Earey  
Sam Evans  
Daniel Fisher  
Jessica Garrett  
Craig Herbert  
Lisa Hogsden  
Pavel Horvath  
Nicholas Howell  
Avalon Rabey  
Adella Rand

#### 10 PMA

Kaylie Ealey  
Joe Green  
Justin Gurling  
Chloe Magri  
Stacey-Marie Marney  
Kelly Morgan-Phillips  
Megan Pearson  
Stephanie Prowse  
Victor Ricardo  
Mandy Russell  
Paul Smallwood  
Jodie Stead  
Emma Waites  
Charles Walsh

#### 10 SKS

Katie Bailey  
Hephzibah Bamgbose  
Stacey Butler  
Karen Chan  
Sarah Gillick  
Katherine Heritage  
Leigha-Erin Hislop  
Thomas Huggins  
Kerry Smith  
Matthew Smith  
Mark Stevens  
James Watson  
Hannah Whittaker

#### 10 EGS

Riece Breedon  
Rebecca Chuck  
Jenna Coles  
Daniel Cunningham  
Adam Gray  
Natasha Gurling  
Adam Ivemey  
Nicola Newman  
June Peel  
Billy Puncher  
Benjamin Steggall  
Amy Terrey

#### 10 LPD

Ricki Attreed  
Reece Croom  
Mia Dearman  
Jamie Hepburn  
Rochelle Hhunt  
Mica Mcdonald  
Alexandra Mills  
Sophie Smith  
Mark Walters  
Jodie Weaving  
Amy Wright  
Laura Wyatt

#### 10 PTH

Nikki Bbarham  
Allison Blackley  
Jasmine Briscoe  
Jie Cheong  
James Hayward  
Sarah Palmer  
Ryan Parrott  
Gary Sharp  
Robert Smith  
Helen Young

#### 10 TGS

Elizabeth Bidmead  
Jamie Colville  
Taylor Davis  
Raymond Hollis  
Robert Lagden  
Martyn Lowe  
Laura Montgomery  
Laura O'Sullivan  
Danielle Smith  
Clare Steadman  
Steven White

**Mr J Chapman Pastoral Director Year 10  
Mr P Gilbey Assistant Pastoral Director Year 10**

## LEARNING MENTORS

A reminder to all the students we work with that we have a weekly drop in session :

**MONDAYS 12.20 pm – 1.20 pm**

We would also like to say thanks to all parents, students and staff for their continued support for our team.

***Ms D Darrah, Ms L Robertson-Ritchie,  
Ms S Diver and Ms V Demanbro  
Learning Mentors and Home School Support Workers***

## THE JACK PETCHEY LEADER AWARD

Congratulations go to Mrs A Rootes who has been nominated by the staff at Brittons School to receive the Jack Petchey Leader Award.

Mrs Rootes will receive £1,000 to spend on a school project, faculty etc of her choice.

## 'ANY SPECIAL GIFTS OR TALENTS'

Congratulations to Sophie Tucker 9 TGS who is a team member of Newham's Ascension Eagles Cheerleaders.

Sophie recently competed in the 'CheerSport USA 2005', the world's largest cheerleading championships. Over 19,000 competitors from over 900 teams competed on the 18 – 20 February at the Georgia World Congress Centre.

This year, Ascension topped their previous records by being placed second in Junior Intermediate Cheer and fourth in Junior Pom.

A formidable achievement. Well done Sophie!

Congratulations to the twenty students who have been awarded full membership of the National Academy for Gifted and Talented Youth, The University of Warwick:

Mitchell Allison	7 CTH
Carys Douglas	7 LPD
Sevim Ekmekci	7 KSL
Perry Perkins	7 PMA
Abi Solaja	7 SKS
Daniel Warman	7 KSL
Steven Yates	7 KSL
Karl Baverstock	11 SKS
Scott Butler	11 PMA
Thomas Hale	11 CTH
Scott Hannah	11 CTH

Katie Lambert	11 PMA
Steven Long	11 SKS
Michael McGilly	11 KSL
Katie Pidgeon	11 TGS
Aimee Scott	11 LPD
Robert Seaman	11 SKS
Emma White	11 KSL
Lauren Wiggins	11 EGS
Scott Sim	11 TGS

The top 5% of Britain's young achievers. WOW!

Brittons have 35 students in total who have been awarded full membership.

***Ms S Reddington  
Gifted and Talented Coordinator***

## HISTORY DEPARTMENT

Congratulations to the following students in 7 LPD who have received certificates for outstanding Domesday Projects:

Tahnee Kemp  
Kayesha McMahan  
Sophie Woods  
Michael Whitlock  
Vanessa Finn  
Charles Warren  
Jonathan Butcher

Other groups will be awarded certificates shortly.

***Mr G Pritchard  
Subject Leader History***

## MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Music Department has had a very exciting year. First with the production, followed by the annual music concert. Both were thoroughly enjoyed by those who took part and the audiences. I would like to extend a big thank you to all the students who dedicated their time and effort into making both evenings such a success.

We still look forward to seeing our talented students and staff taking part in this year's Variety Show on 30 June 2005, touring the local primary schools and performing at the Queens Theatre in June and July.

As many of you know we have a group of students who have formed their own metal band 'ANASTETIK'. Due to their hard work and perseverance they have been in two competitions, performed two sets at the Rainham Village Fayre and are having air play on Redbridge Local Radio.

I would like to congratulate the following students for all passing their external instrumental and theory examinations :

Nenna Chuku	Theory Grade 3 and Clarinet Grade 5
Laura Sammons	Flute Grade 3
Steven White	Drum Kit Grade 2
Christopher Davies	Theory Grade 5
Hannah Ratford	Violin Grade 3
Jonathan Wilson	Drum Kit Grade
Jaynie Love	Flute Grade 2

***Ms F Guest***  
***Subject Leader Music***

## **SPORTS NEWS**

Good luck to Luke Rawling in Year 9 and Adam Gray in Year 10 who are representing Brittons School at the Essex County Schools Golf Association Championship on the 13 July 2005.

Well done to the U14 girls' football team for being Essex Cup semi finalists.

Congratulations to Ahsaan Freed in Year 8 for being selected for the Hornchurch Cricket Team.

## **TESCOS COMPUTERS FOR SCHOOLS VOUCHERS**

Thank you for all the Tesco Computers for Schools vouchers brought in so far. We now have a few weeks to collect them all in and count them, so please bring them to the library as soon as possible.

We have a Summer Book Fair arriving on Thursday 16 June where staff and students can choose and buy books. The library will earn books as commission.

Also, a reminder to students, particularly at examination time, that the library sells low cost stationery such as pens, pencils, rulers, calculators and clear pencil cases.

Thank you for your support.

***Mrs H Handley***  
***Librarian***

Yours sincerely

ROBERT W SHEFFIELD  
Principal