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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you had a restful half term break and that you are looking forward to the new term. A highlight of last term was undoubtedly the school production of *Guys and Dolls* and I hope you were able to see what was a stunning illustration of the talent that Brookfield has in abundance. A write-up of the production, including images, is provided in the latest edition of the 'Brookfield News' newsletter, which hopefully provides an interesting snapshot of the extensive range of activity at the school.

Typically, the term ahead promises to be no less busy than previous terms. Below are some reminders and key information and dates:

Uniform and equipment - reminder of expectations

High expectations are important at Brookfield and this includes those expectations around uniform and equipment. Students and parents are reminded of the school dress code. Staff will be conducting checks on uniform this week, and on a regular basis, and informing parents when a student's dress is not appropriate. I am sure you will fully support the school in this important area.

Parent Forum - Thursday 27th February 2020

Our next Parent Forum meeting will be held between 6.00pm and 7.00pm on **Thursday 27th February 2020**. The meeting will end at 7.00pm promptly due to another meeting taking place immediately afterwards. Please can you notify my PA, Mrs Gillian Rhodes, on g.rhodes@brookfield.derbyshire.sch.uk by **Wednesday 26th February 2020** if you would like to attend, and if you wish to add any items to the agenda.

Brookfield/Redhill - Briefing for Parents - Tuesday 17th March 2020

In September we launched a 'Parent Information Evening' programme, where parents from different year groups were invited to an information evening outlining key aspects of the year ahead through a series of presentations from senior staff. Using a similar format, on **Tuesday 17th March** the school will host an information evening outlining progress during the year so far and priorities for the remainder of the year. This evening will also include an update from Redhill Executive Headteacher, Tim Croft, on key developments across the wider Redhill Trust, and on how the relationship between Redhill and Brookfield is progressing. This will be an informative evening and I hope you are able to attend. More details will follow next week.

Year 11 Mock Exams and Revision Evening - Wednesday 1st April 2020

This is an important time for Year 11 students. Our second set of mock exams runs from 2nd to 13th March. These exams will take place during lesson time and students are aware of the arrangements in each subject. You will also be aware of the extra revision and intervention that is taking place. To support Year 11 students (and parents) in effective preparation for final examinations, we will be holding a 'Revision Evening' on **Wednesday 1st April**. This will be a punchy, informative evening and will, I am sure, be very useful as we approach the summer exam season. More details will follow soon.

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INSET day - Friday 3rd April 2020

A reminder that the school has scheduled an additional date on **Friday 3rd April 2020**. This will make the remaining INSET schedule for this academic year as follows:

- Friday 3rd April 2020
- Friday 26th June 2020
- Monday 20th July 2020

Students are not required to come to school on any of these INSET days and I hope this additional date does not cause you any inconvenience.

Spring Term Key events/dates

Tuesday 25 th February 2020	Year 12 Parents Evening 4pm-7pm
Thursday 27 th February 2020	Parent Forum
Monday 2 nd to Friday 13 th March	Year 11 Mock Exams
Tuesday 17 th March 2020	Brookfield/Redhill - Briefing for Parents
Thursday 19 th March 2020	Dance Show
Wednesday 25 th March 2020	Year 8 Parents Evening 4pm-7pm
Monday 30 th March to 1 st April 2020	Duke of Edinburgh - Gold Practice expedition
Wednesday 1 st April 2020	Year 11 Revision Evening
Thursday 2 nd April 2020	Spring Term ends for students
Friday 3 rd April 2020	INSET Day
Monday 20 th April 2020	Summer Term starts

Brookfield House system – September 2020

An exciting development for the next academic year is the introduction of the Brookfield House system. This will involve the creation of Houses comprised of students from different year groups and will help to foster collaboration, competition and aspiration across the school. A feature of this model is a vertical tutor group system. More details will follow in the next few weeks, along with an invitation to an information evening later this term.

There is clearly lots going on in the remainder of the year ahead and I look forward to your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Mr K Hirst
Headteacher