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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we approach the final two weeks of term and the festive season, the school has been buzzing with activity and excitement. Here's a round-up of this week's highlights:

KS2 Inter-Schools Cross Country Event

Our KS2 students showcased their stamina and determination at the Inter-Schools Cross Country Event this week. It was wonderful to see their sportsmanship and effort, and we are incredibly proud of their achievements. Special mention to Jemima for coming 3rd overall in her race and to Ryker for coming 1st overall in his race.

Reception and KS1 Nativity Rehearsals

The sounds of Christmas are filling the school as our Reception and KS1 students work hard on their Nativity performance. We are looking forward to welcoming all families to watch this special performance.

Mini Cooking Competitions in Food Tech

This week, our budding chefs took part in mini cooking competitions during their food technology lessons. Creativity and culinary skills were on full display, with some impressive dishes prepared by our students.

Year 3 & 4 Football Fixture vs South Lee

Our Year 3 & 4 football team faced South Lee in a spirited match. Both teams played with great energy and teamwork.

Non-Uniform Day

Friday brought a splash of colour and individuality, as students and staff participated in a nonuniform day. Thank you to everyone for supporting this event and for your generosity with our Hamper goodies.

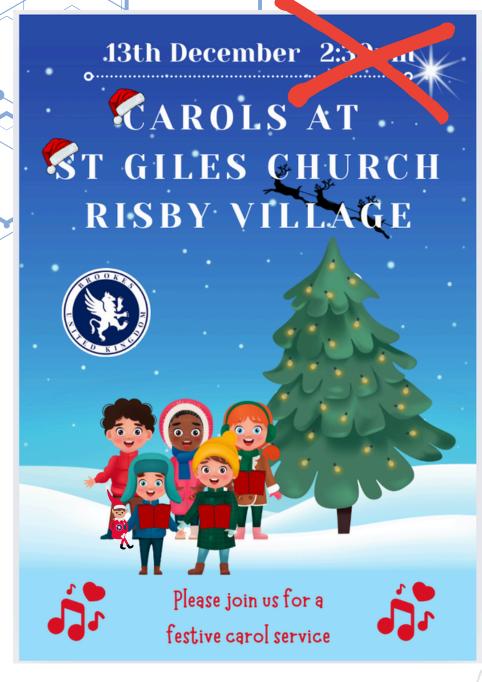
It's been another rewarding week at Brookes and we're looking forward to the exciting activities planned in the run-up to the holidays.

Kind regards, Paul Jackson

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REMINDER

End of term Carols at St Giles Church, Risby Village.

Start at 1:45pm finish 2:30pm.

Car parking at the village hall or on the road *PLEASE DO NOT PARK IMMEDIATELY IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH*

Parents are invited to attend this special service, please arrive ahead of the start time, to take your seats. The service will finish at 2:30pm, where our term finishes and children can be taken home from there.

Please note that Friday 13th December will be a <u>'NO BAG DAY'</u>. All bags, clothes, belongings are to be taken home on Thursday 12th December. Children must wear full school uniform on Friday 13th, in preparation for the Carol Service (There will be no Forest School/PE on that day, for all year groups)

Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to celebrating the end of term together.



Inspired by a cooking program year 7 and 9 students had a cooking challenge this week.

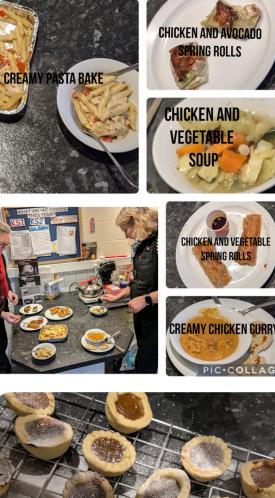
They were given the task of creating a dish where a leftover roast chicken had to be the star of dish.

The students had limited store cupboard ingredients and needed to come up with a recipe, which they then cooked in the lesson.

A big thank you to the judges, Lizzie Bright, Mrs Sheldrake, Sheena Moore and Rachel Warbey.

They loved all of the dishes and were very impressed with the standard of cooking from all of the students.

Year 8 baked mini pumpkin pies for Thanksgiving.











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A huge thank you to <u>Rougham Estate, Blackthorpe</u> <u>Barn</u> for their generous donation of our beautiful Christmas tree! Your support adds so much festive cheer to our school.

If you're looking for some holiday magic, we highly recommend visiting their incredible Christmas shop this weekend – it's a must-see!





POST BOX REMINDER





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Exceptional Art from some of our Year 8 and Year 9 students

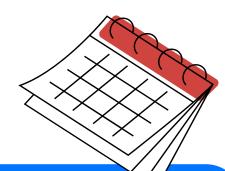




Stars of the Week







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DATES FOR THE DIARY

| Date | Event |
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| Wednesday 4th Dec | Yr 11 Art Mock |
| Thursday 5th Dec | Reception & KS1 Nativity 2:30pm |
| Friday 6th Dec | PTA Christmas Fair 3:00 - 5:00pm |
| Tuesday 10th Dec | Winter Showcase |
| Wednesday 11th Dec | Class Christmas Parties Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper Day (£1 Save the Children) |
| Friday 13th Dec | End of Term Reports Carol Service - Risby Church 1:45pm Term Ends 2:30pm |

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