



## A message from our principal

As we move towards the end of the academic year, all year groups have now begun completing their end of year assessments. This is an important time, allowing students to demonstrate the knowledge and skills they have developed over the course of the year.

We have been incredibly impressed with the approach our students have taken. Across the school, they are working with focus, determination and a strong sense of integrity. Students are showing real maturity in the way they are preparing for and completing their assessments, taking pride in their work and giving their very best effort.

It has been particularly pleasing to see students supporting one another, remaining calm and respectful, and demonstrating the positive attitudes that underpin our school values. These assessments are not just about outcomes, but about building resilience, independence and confidence – qualities that will support our students in their future learning.

We are very proud of how all year groups are conducting themselves during this period, and we would like to thank parents for the support you continue to provide at home. Encouragement, routine and ensuring students are well rested all contribute greatly to their success.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.



**Mrs K Gardner**  
Principal

# NEWSLETTER

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# Celebrating our students

## through their development over time

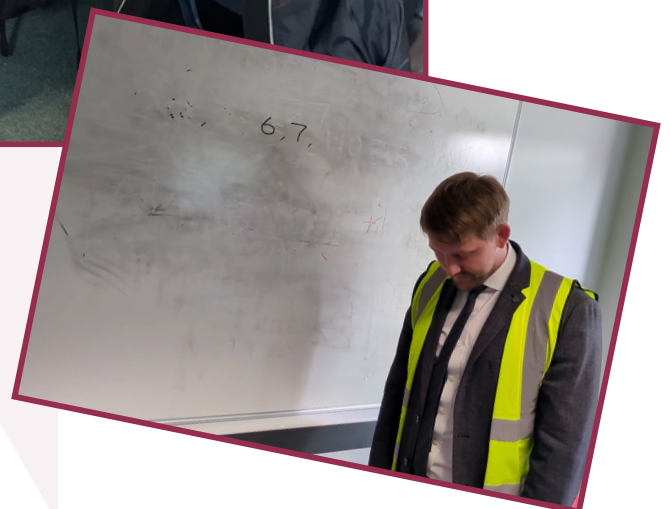
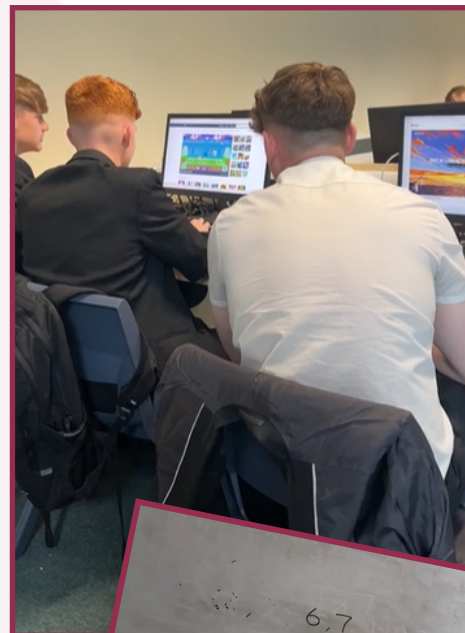
### Year 11 leavers assembly

This Wednesday, we marked a significant milestone for our Year 11 students as we came together to celebrate their journey at their Leavers Assembly. The event was both enjoyable and emotional, providing a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the past five years and recognise the many achievements, friendships and memories formed during their time with us.

The assembly featured a touching presentation that captured students' experiences, highlighting key moments from their school life and celebrating their growth and successes. This was complemented by a series of hilarious staff spoof videos.

Following the assembly, students gathered to sign shirts and share refreshments, giving them the chance to say their goodbyes and preserve lasting mementos of their time together. Throughout the event, our Year 11 students conducted themselves impeccably, demonstrating the maturity and character they have developed over the years.

We are incredibly proud of everything they have achieved and the positive contribution they have made to our school community. While it is always difficult to say goodbye, we wish them every success in their next steps. They will be greatly missed and always remain an important part of our school family.



# Celebrating our history

## Through exploration

### Flying to the Aerozone

On Wednesday, 24 of our students had the exciting opportunity to visit the airport and take part in a range of engaging, hands-on activities. The trip was a fantastic success, with students fully immersing themselves in the experience and demonstrating curiosity and enthusiasm throughout.

During the visit, students explored a variety of interactive stations, including a flight simulator, airport security checks, air traffic control, a duty-free store, passport control, and even a firefighter gear-up activity. These experiences gave them a real insight into the wide range of roles involved in running an airport.

A particular highlight was meeting two guest speakers - a security manager and a permit officer - who shared valuable insights about their careers. Our students asked thoughtful and perceptive questions, showcasing excellent engagement and interest.

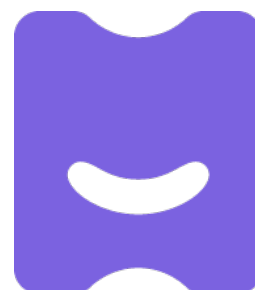
Students also enjoyed a fascinating tour of Terminal 2, where they had the chance to see some historic aviation items, including old radios, medals, and photographs. This provided a unique glimpse into the rich history of air travel.

Overall, the visit was an inspiring and memorable experience for all involved, giving students a deeper understanding of airport operations and potential future career pathways.



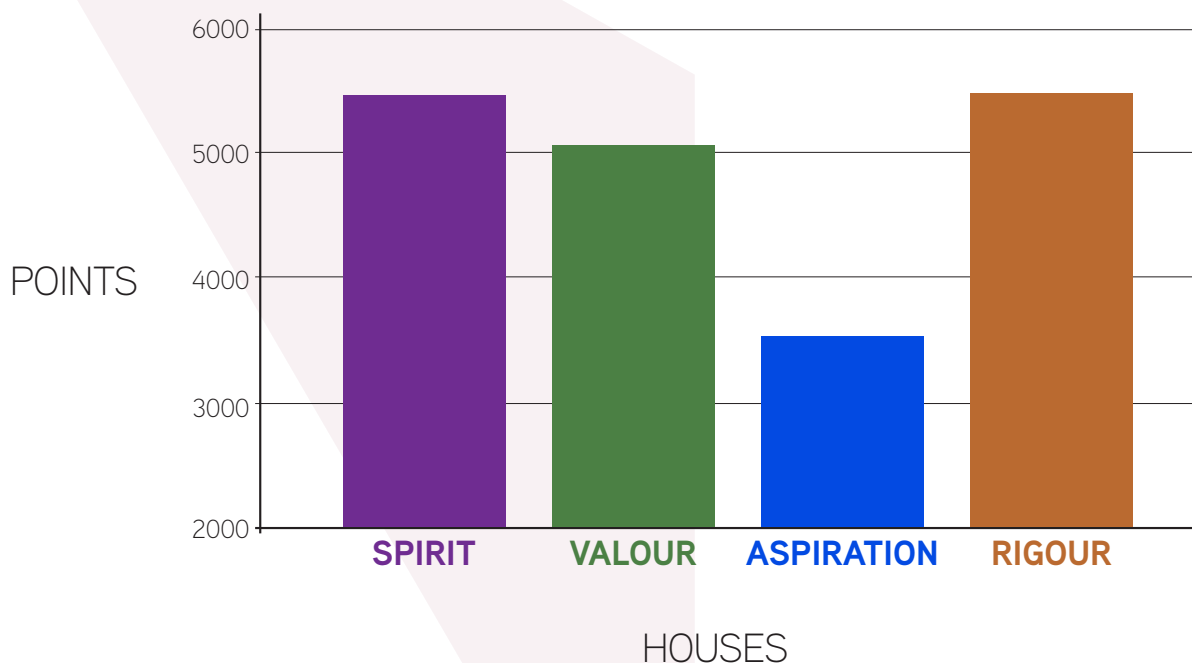
### Free school meal holiday vouchers

Funding has been approved for the summer holidays for a £50 voucher. If your child does not currently receive free school meals and you think they may be entitled to this, please make an application through this link: <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>. Year 11 students will also receive this voucher if entitled to free meals.



# House points

With just five weeks remaining, there are only NINE points between Spirit and Rigour - it is so close! Valour are creeping up behind and are certainly not out of the race just yet, and Aspiration have achieved a commendable 3500 points so far this term.



## Dragon boat training

Year 8 & 9 students were given the opportunity on Tuesday 16 June to venture to Doe Park Water Activity Centre, Bradford. Students worked with Rhys Kittsen on the water to train for the big Dixons race in July.

The students used their rowing skills to apply their experience to paddle in the dragon boat. The biggest difference being the number of paddlers in a single boat as compared to rowing, which is more streamlined. We look forward to our team competing in the Dragon Boat Race on Friday 3 July at Robert's Par, Saltaire, BD17 7LU.



# Extra-curricular activities

## to enrich our students' experiences

We are excited to share with you our updated extra-curricular activities timetable. At Dixons Brooklands Academy, we believe that learning goes far beyond the classroom, and we are proud to offer a wide range of clubs and activities designed to enrich our students' school experience.

	Lunch	After school
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Football</li><li>Basketball</li><li>Thrive and Dine (by invite) (T9/T14)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Achieve club (T9)</li><li>Football (Girls)</li><li>Basketball</li><li>BTEC Music (week A)</li><li>Science Club (S15)</li><li>Football (week B)</li></ul>
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Football</li><li>Basketball</li><li>Thrive and Dine (by invite) (T9/T14)</li><li>Steel Pans (T8)</li><li>Cricket</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Netball</li><li>Badminton</li><li>GCSE Art Club (S8/P16/S13)</li><li>Sustainability club (P12)</li><li>Poetry revision (P3)</li><li>Homework club (P13/P19)</li><li>Science intervention (S15)</li><li>BTEC Music (week B)</li><li>Musical Theatre (assembly hall)</li><li>Softball</li><li>Athletics</li></ul>
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Football</li><li>Basketball</li><li>Thrive and Dine (by invite) (T9/T14)</li><li>KS3 Spanish film club (T4)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Football (Boys)</li><li>Sparx homework support (P22)</li><li>Creative writing (P1)</li><li>Rounders</li><li>Lacrosse</li></ul>
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Football</li><li>Basketball</li><li>Thrive and Dine (by invite) (T9/T14)</li><li>KS3 GCSE Spanish exams skills</li><li>Rainbow Club (Hub)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>BTEC Sport</li><li>Keyboard club (T8)</li><li>Darts</li></ul>
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Football</li><li>Basketball</li><li>Thrive and Dine (by invite) (T9/T14)</li><li>Cooking (week B, T7)</li><li>Softball</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Separate science (week B)</li><li>Singing club (T8)</li></ul>

There is also a free breakfast club every morning before school from 7.30am, this is open to all students.

# What's On



## Collaboration Concert 2026

United through music

Join us for an evening  
of classical, pop and  
musical theatre.

A celebration of  
talented musicians  
from across our trust.

**Monday 13 July | 6pm**  
St George's Hall, Bradford



**Get tickets**  
Scan here or visit  
[ticketsource.co.uk/dixonsca](https://ticketsource.co.uk/dixonsca)



# THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE

ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE WEEK FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

## ROLLERS CLUB

**ROLLER DISCOS FOR ALL AGES FROM 4.**

Skate hire available.

### FRIDAY

**5.45 to 7.00pm**

Ideal for beginners with help available and fun games

**7.15 to 8.30pm**

Ideal for older or more experienced skaters

**LATEST MUSIC // SKATING GAMES  
SPEED SKATING // LIGHTING & EFFECTS**



## SATURDAY NIGHT PROJECT

**TRY SOMETHING NEW AT THE FORUM WITH ODD ARTS.**

Devise your own work and ideas in creative workshops.

Choose from:

**DRAMA // ACTING // IMPROVISATION  
PERFORMANCE // SCRIPT-WRITING  
EVERY SATURDAY AT 5.30 TO 6.45PM**

**SPORT & FITNESS:  
GYM SWIM FOOTBALL**

Open access football, gym and swimming. Fun, inclusive and positive!

**EVERY SATURDAY AT 5.00 TO 7.00PM**

**ALL SESSIONS ARE FREE. AGES 8-18.**

Register on first visit at the desk on the concourse



## FORUM LEISURE

### • GYMNASTICS

Additional classes now available

### • SWIMMING

### • JUNIOR GYM

### • TABLE TENNIS

### • FOOTBALL



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**ARTS**

**CITY IN THE COMMUNITY**

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Scan the QR code to visit the Forum website



# What's On

# Have a PARKTASTIC SUMMER!



Join us for free, fun-filled play sessions here this summer — games, crafts, and adventure await! Open to all children from June to September. For all dates and times: [childfriendlymanchester.co.uk/parktastic](http://childfriendlymanchester.co.uk/parktastic)

## SOUTH PARKS

Park	Post Code	Dates of sessions*	Session Times
Beech Road Park	M21 9FA	Tuesdays (16 June - 15 September)	3pm - 5pm
Chorlton Park	M21 7UD	Wednesdays (17 June - 16 September)	3pm - 5pm
Old Moat Park	M20 3GL	Thursdays (18 June - 17 September)	3pm - 5pm
Alexandra Park	M16 7JL	Wednesdays (17 June - 16 September)	5pm - 7pm
Chesterton Road Park	M23 9AL	Mondays (15 June - 14 September)	4pm - 6pm
Riverside Park	M22 4HJ	Mondays (15 June - 14 September)	5pm - 7pm
Ladybarn Park	M20 4NL	Tuesdays (16 June - 15 September)	5pm - 7pm
Cringle Park	M19 2QP	Wednesdays (17 June - 16 September)	5pm - 7pm
Fog Lane Park	M20 4UP	Thursdays (18 June - 17 September)	5pm - 7pm
Hollyhedge Park	M22 4GP	Fridays (19 June - 18 September)	5pm - 7pm
Alderman Rodgers Park	M23 2YH	Wednesdays (17 June - 16 September)	4pm - 6pm
Mersey Bank Park	M20 2XU	Fridays (19 June - 18 September)	5pm - 7pm
Kirkup Gardens	M22 1UY	Wednesdays (17 June - 16 September)	5.30pm - 7.30pm

**\*Please note during the first week of August, all parks will be running sessions on National Play Day, Wed 5 August, instead of their usual day**





## Academy Tours

### Book a tour to visit our academy!

We have been working hard to bring joy, encouragement and motivation to all aspects of our academy life, and we would like to open our doors to show you!

Open to our current and prospective families.

Email Dr Rogers at [nrogers@dixonsbk.com](mailto:nrogers@dixonsbk.com) to book a guided viewing.

Dixons Brooklands Academy, Moor Road, Wythenshawe, M23 9BP

Follow our Facebook page to keep up to date with future events



## BAGULEY LEGAL ADVICE CLINIC

As part of the Neighbourhood Advice Project, delivered in partnership with the Manchester Local Care Organisation, we already recovered over £500,000 in unclaimed benefits in Wythenshawe. Offering face to face appointments in Baguley.

*Do you need support? Or have service users who need this support?*

Service available for residents on the neighbourhood wards of Baguley, Brooklands, Northenden, Sharston, & Woodhouse Park.



Get a face-to-face appointment for your clients by making a referral using the form on the QR or by contacting us on [neighbourhoodadvice@gmlaw.org.uk](mailto:neighbourhoodadvice@gmlaw.org.uk) or **0161 769 2245** (Please note this is not an advice line)

**ONE-OFF ADVICE FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL 30 MINUTES APPOINTMENT**

**INCOME MAXIMIZATION  
BENEFITS CHECKS**

**WELFARE BENEFITS  
DISABILITY BENEFITS APPLICATIONS,  
MANDATORY RECONSIDERATIONS &  
APPEALS**

**HOUSING LAW  
EVICTIONS, HOMELESSNESS,  
DISREPAIR, RE-HOUSING**

**EMPLOYMENT LAW  
DISCRIMINATION AT WORK, UNFAIR  
DISMISSAL, UNPAID WAGES,  
GRIEVANCE AND/OR DISCIPLINARY  
PROCESS AT WORK**

# Next week

## Menu week commencing 22/6/2026

	Main meal	Vegetarian meal
<b>Monday</b>	Greek gyros or sweet chilli chicken with spicy rice	Fried vegetables with spicy rice
<b>Tuesday</b>	Fajita chicken drumstick with BBQ pasta & garlic bread	Creamy vegetable pie with mash potato, Yorkshire pudding, gravy & garden peas
<b>Wednesday</b>	Mexican beef chilli with yellow rice & tortilla chips	Cheese & onion slice with chips
<b>Thursday</b>	Doner meat with spicy noodles & naan bread with yogurt & mint sauce	Giant vegetable samosa with noodles & sweet chilli sauce
<b>Friday</b>	Chicken burger with salad, chips & selection of sauces	Vegetable burger with chips & selection of sauces

Each day there is also a panini selection with fillings of cheese, ham, pepperoni, and cheese & beans. Alongside this are a variety of sandwiches and baguettes, a salad bar and a choice of dessert.

We follow best practices in safe food handling to prevent cross-contamination. However, we cannot guarantee our products are 100% free of any specific allergens. Allergens are listed on the front counter, which refer to the ingredients we use. We also are unable to guarantee an allergen-free environment where some of our ingredients or products from suppliers may have been produced in an environment with other allergens. Please double-check with a member of staff if you have any questions.

## Dates for your diary

	Year group	Description
<b>Wed 24 June</b>	Year 11	Year 11 prom; Bowdon Rooms
<b>Wed 1 July</b>	Year 6	Transition evening
<b>Thursday 2 July</b>	Selected	Dixons Cup - Athletics Championship
<b>Wed 8-10 July</b>	All	Futures Week
<b>Thursday 9 July</b>	All	Sports Day
<b>Monday 13 July</b>	All	Dixons Collaboration Concert
<b>Thursday 16 July</b>	Year 7-10	Final day of the school year!

