



# Bramcote College

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Dear Parent/Carer

We are now almost three weeks into our new school year, and it is pleasing to see that the vast majority of our students have settled back into the routine of secondary school/Sixth form and that our new Year 7s and 12s are finding their feet. As always, if you have any concerns please reach out to your child's head of year or form tutor.

## GCSE and Post 16 Results 2025

Firstly, I would like to update you on this year's fantastic set of GCSE and post-16 results. They were our best ever results and credit must go to our talented and dedicated staff as well as last year's year 11 and 13, who worked incredibly hard. Bramcote College has performed above local and national averages in a large majority of measures. For parents that are interested, there is no Progress 8 figure this year. This is because this cohort had no KS2 SATs results as a result of Covid restrictions. That said, the headlines are as follows:

Results are the best in the school's history. Overall attainment 8 is 50.13, up from 47.73 in 2024, and the school's highest ever (the national and local figures are 45.5 and 46.1 respectively). 81.4% of pupils achieved 4+ in English and Maths, and 57.4% achieved 5+, both figures are way above national and local levels (nationally 65.1 and 45.6). 85% of grades were 4 or above, compared to 67% nationally, and 67% of all grades were 5 or above.

We know that exam results are important for opening doors for young people and securing their futures. But we also know that we need to support young people to be well and cope with the demands of public examinations. Later in the year, parents of children in GCSE years and Post 16 will be invited to an evening where we focus on 'how to support your child in examinations'.

## Open Evenings & Website

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September we will be holding our Open Evening for prospective students (currently in Year 6 or 5) starting at 6pm and finishing at 8pm.

This year, for the first time, we are running a 'Welcome to Bramcote' afternoon on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October, between 4pm and 6pm. Year 7 parents & carers will have the opportunity to book an appointment to meet form tutors and discuss settling into Year 7. At the same time we are also going to be running a uniform Swap Shop and an extracurricular activities 'market place' which parents and carers and students in Years 7, 8 and 9 are welcome to come to, to find out about the clubs, teams and activities we run in a normal week at Bramcote College.

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October we are running our 6<sup>th</sup> Form Open Evening between 6:30pm and 8pm. We would encourage all of our Year 11s and parents and carers to come along to discuss A Level and Level 3 BTec and their plans for the future.

We are also launching our new website next week. The website has been totally overhauled with the aim to make it easier to navigate and to find the information that parents need. We hope that you will find this much improved.

### **New Building**

After what has felt like a very long time, the new building work has started. We are working closely with our architects and contractors to ensure that the building will meet the needs of our school community and be delivered on schedule in 2027. Recently pre-commencement works to divert services were completed and the demolition of the sports building will take place from now until November. We will keep you updated with progress.

### **Cars and Moor Lane**

Please may we kindly remind you to be supportive of our measures to reduce traffic and congestion on Moor Lane. The safety of all children and pedestrians on Moor Lane is of upmost importance to us and everyone can help. If you must drop your children off at school, we would ask that you do this further away from Moor Lane in order to avoid cars turning on Moor Lane, as it is a dead end, which creates congestion and potential risks to pedestrians. The yellow zigzag lines are not a drop off area, primary children and their parents and our students use the path in this area to get to school. Traffic and parking enforcement will be in operation this term.

### **Dark nights, coats and bikes**

Please be reminded that students that brings bikes to school need a bike permit. A requirement of having the permit is that you confirm that your child will wear a helmet to and from school. As it gets darker, please ensure that your child has bike lights that work.

Thankyou for all your support with ensuring your child wears their school uniform correctly. As it gets colder, children will need warmer tops for PE (please check our website for details on kit that can be worn (no hoodies) and a waterproof warm coat. It can be any colour, the brighter the better in terms of safety for children who walk/cycle to school. A school coat is not a replacement for the school blazer, which should be worn at all times in school.

## Key dates

Please find below a summary of key events in school this term

Date	Event
18 <sup>th</sup> September	School Photos – Year 7. 9. 11
23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> September	After School ‘Matilda’ production auditions
25 <sup>th</sup> September 6-8pm	Year 6 Open Evening
1 <sup>st</sup> October	After School ‘Matilda’ production auditions
1 <sup>st</sup> October	Flu Vaccination Session
9 <sup>th</sup> October 4-6pm	Welcome to Bramcote (& Uniform Swap Shop)
16 <sup>th</sup> October	Y7 Wise Up event (all day)
16 <sup>th</sup> October 6:30-8pm	BC6F (6 <sup>th</sup> Form) Open Evening
17 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET day
18 <sup>th</sup> October – 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Half Term
6 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 11 ‘Next Steps’ event – being ready for exams
11 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Year 11 mock exams
20 <sup>th</sup> November 6-7pm	Parents’ Forum
25 <sup>th</sup> November 2pm	2pm INSET – school closes for students at 2pm
27 <sup>th</sup> November 6-8pm	PTA Christmas Market
1 <sup>st</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> December	Y11 ‘Practical’ mock exams
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Business Studies Y10 Christmas Market
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner in school
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Lesson 4 Year 7 & 8 Christmas Disco
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term 1pm Finish
5 <sup>th</sup> January	Spring term starts

Kind regards

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