

NEWSLETTER

January 2023

Happy New Year!

What a great start to this academic year!





Brook Sixth Form and Academy

Why?

The new name reflects more accurately who we are, that is, a school which is predominantly sixth form with a smaller Year 10 and Year 11 cohort. Additionally, it was felt that the name "Elutec" is slightly obscure and was limiting the positive growth and development of the school.

What does this mean for you?

Please do not worry, we are not expecting you to buy new uniform mid academic year. The transition period means from January - August we will be using both names. Full transition will take place in September 2023 and more information will be sent nearer the time.

We have some big news! As of now we are starting the transition of our NEW name!

Will this change anything for the partners and connections we have?

Our partners and connections who support us now will still support us, however with a new name comes new opportunities.

Can you see the new logo?

Of course, a letter was sent out by our Principal to explain more on our transition but also please see below. We have also started up social media pages which will give you information as well as the website, the names of our social media will change in January.

BROOK 6TH FORM & ACADEMY

This year so far...

19th September : AND Digital, AND She Can project - Yr13 Girls 23rd September : Non Uniform Day Jeans for Genes Day 28th September : Year 10 Visit to the PEARL building 29th September : Year 12 Visit to the PEARL building 30th September : How to become a Ford apprentice 7th October : AND She Can project Hatten Gardens 11th October : Black History Month Assembly : Assembly on Budgeting, Income, Saving, 12th October Investing and Flat Sharing 13th October : Year 10 Open Evening : Blended Learning Friday 14th October 20th October : Thorpe Park Trip 8th November : The start of Year 12 Mulalley Trips : Armistice Day Assembly 11th November : Anti-bullying week including Assembly 14th November : Odd Socks Day 18th November 24th November : Sixth Form Open Evening and **Future Destinations** 9th December : Christmas Jumper Day 12th December : Rise Up Academy Workshop week 15th December : Year 12 Parents Evening 16th December : Blended Learning Friday : Achievement Assembly 22nd December Last Day of Term students finish at 12:30

Colin Pond Event The Colin Pond Scholarship Awards

specifically recognise the achievements of our top GCSE students that choose to continue to study in-borough at post-16.



A big well done to Jensen Hayes and Samreen Rajput!



STUBBERS



At the start of the year the Year 10's and Year 12's went to Stubbers.

They learned, had fun, worked on their team building skills, climbed, laughed and possibly got a little drenched whilst paddle boarding.



Sanvia and Husna Year 13

"We did coding and learnt how to use HTML and sandboxes. Over the course of three weeks, we were given time to create a website based on what we saw fit, examples that were created were websites based on chocolate, a food website, and me and Sanvia, with the help of our other team members, made a website on the combination of fashion and food. The experience was definitely worth it and the highlight of our academic school year. It brought us as young women closer together and gave us more windows in terms of opportunities. At the end of the three-week course, we were required to present our website, explain what kind of HTML we used, and apply the knowledge we were taught to create the website.

Overall, it was a very good experience and we would highly recommend it to the further students."











As soon as the academic year begins, the annual event for Jeans for Genes takes place in September. All students were asked to support the charity by holding a nonuniform day and if they could, wear something that is made of denim. The student population at Elutec went full out for this event and raised a grand total of £200 for the charity to help research into genetic conditions. Well done, to all that took part.













As new entrants to the Academy, students in Year 10 and Year 12 were given private access and tours to the research development of UCL PEARL. This facility is where research is undertaken from University College London into the factors that make the environment solutions to living happen. Students took part in a few research projects, namely factors that make outside spaces better for the individuals well-being and seeing what difference street lights make to the environment and especially at crossing for both user and driver. This has led to students wanting to take part more in the research facilities, and, as a result, the UCL Ambassador Programme is being developed further again this year.

FORD



Ford have come into our school over the Autumn term to work with our Y10 students. The Ford team demonstrated how the Ford Motor Company design their cars and vans using a 'systems' approach to the design and manufacturing of their vehicles.

Students now use these principles to design and make their own products.

Ford have presented students with a challenge to design and model an all new, Electric vehicle Charger handle for their Ford cars. The photo is a demonstration piece that students produced this year.

ASSEMBLY

Elutec

We have had some great assemblies so far this year! Including budgeting, income, saving and investing.

As well as some great Employer visits where they present and answer questions on Apprenticeships and roles within the work place.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Representatives from the Student Council took the lead on Black History Month at Elutec Academy during the month of October. This included information for the TV Screens around the Academy and was a discussion point during registration times and then culminated in a student lead assembly on the theme. This was particularly impressive due to the nature of the topic and the way in which the students conducted themselves. A huge congratulations needs to go to Umar Khan (Year 10), Naeem Ahmed (Year 13) and Idriss Razzak (Year 13) for their input in to the success of the month.

Armistice Day



Thank you to Mrs Bannister for putting together the presentation to inform us on why it is so important to mark Armistice Day.

Blended Learning Friday



You asked we listened

With multiple Blended Learning Friday's throughout the year we asked you to give us feedback. Our most recent Blended Learning Friday was a huge success!



Due to the request from the Student Council, Elutec Academy took the majority of students to Thopre Park on 20 October 2022. The students went on so many rides due to the inclement weather. Every single student, and member of staff I hasten to add, got drenched from the rides and the downpours that took place. This did not distract from the fun that all students had on the day. The student council have requested that we go back again soon when the weather is drier, although that won't be for some time yet.



MULALLEY VISIT



Elutec visit Mulalley Project: Oxlow Lane Dagenham

MULALLEY

This opportunity has enabled some of our Year 12 students to see the wide range of jobs and skills required in the construction industry. The students were able to see how the project is managed and run. The guided tour of parts of the site to see the stages of construction was an excellent opportunity for the students to see how a construction site works. This visit has given them an insight into career opportunities at the end of their studies. A big thank you to Mulalley for taking time to work with Elutec. The students will be working on the project set by the team over the next few weeks and will then present their solutions to

the Mullaley team.

ANTIBULLYING WEEK



On this day we showed everyone can be different and everyone is unique.

Sixth Form and Future Destinations Event

The Sixth Form and Future Destinations Event was a big success.

We had 18 Employers and Universities join us for the evening as well as lots of students both existing and future join us!

If you have not applied for your Year 12 place please use the link below to apply.

















APPLY FOR YEAR 12 HERE

Christmas Jumper/ Non-Uniform Day

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We raised

For Save the Children

VolkerFitzPatrick

Some of our Year 12 students went over to the new film studio building site where they took part in activities and presentations presented by the team at VolkerFitzPatrick. They learned about possible pathways in the company, spoke to people working in many different sectors and joined in on an activity of who could make the best structure with recyclable material.



Rise Up Academy Workshop

Rise Up Academy visited all of our year groups. In the workshops they taught our students how to set up a TV studio, how to use all of the equipment, set roles within the game show including Producers, Host, Graphics, **Camera** people and more as well as create a game show.



Happy New Year From all of staff at Elutec Academy soon to be Brook Sixth Form and Academy



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