



Friday 9th April 2021

Dear Parents,

## **RE: Letter from the Principal**

With sunnier and longer days being more frequent as we approach the white nights of Saint Petersburg, Spring is finally here; with the evening light making the steeple and dome of the Fortress and St Isaac's Cathedral respectively glimmer a golden glow. With summer on the doorstep, students have come back to school with a spring in their step.

### **Brookes Plus - Term 3**

We are happy to inform you that Brookes Plus will begin on Wednesday 14th April. The aim is to encourage our students to pursue their interests and discover their passion. Sessions will run on a Wednesday and Thursday afternoon from 16:00 to 16:50. Please register your child for any of our activities then [here](#).

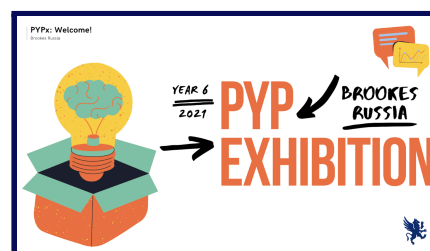
Please be informed that due to local anti coronavirus legislation, the amount of participants in each club is limited. Each club (apart from Outside games) will be provided with the separate premises (classroom, hall) according to Safety standards alongside with observance of all other precautionary measures (disinfection, masks, airing, drinking regime etc).

### **Maslenitsa**

A huge thank you to Ms Daria and Ms Tatiana for their organisation of the Maslenitsa event on 11th March. Please see the [video](#) of Nursery to Year 3 celebrating the Russian traditions of saying goodbye to Winter and welcoming Spring.

### **PYP Exhibition: Tuning in!**

On Monday 22nd March, our Year 6 students began preparing for this year's PYP exhibition, which will be held on Thursday 20th May. The theme of this year's exhibition will be focused on science, technology, and it's influence on society. Students have spent the last two weeks connecting with an exciting panel of guest speakers from all over the world (including Australia and Canada) to help generate ideas for their exhibition. It has been lovely to see members of the school community offering to help with this and the students have thoroughly enjoyed the experience so far. Thank you to all of our parents and volunteers for helping launch this year's PYP exhibition - we will keep you updated in the coming weeks!



### **Year 11 Personal Project**

This year marks the inaugural exhibition of the Year 11 Middle Years Programme (MYP) culminating project, the Personal Project, at Brookes Saint Petersburg. The Year 11 students exhibited their projects to the Brookes school community virtually on February 10th, and in-person on the evening of February 17th.





Both events marked a celebration of Year 11's hard work and perseverance in their approach to their Personal Projects. The students explored a topic of personal interest and demonstrated all five approaches to learning skills (ATL's) while linking their work to a Global Context. Some of the topics included raising awareness of environmental issues with makeup artistry; the exploration of veganism and the ethical treatment of animals; and the production of a music album that encourages anti-racism. The students were able to express their identities through their projects and they conducted mature discussions surrounding their topics. A student report will follow and conclude this aspect of their MYP 5 year.

We are extremely proud of our pioneering Year 11's who have set a high precedent for future Personal Projects.

### **Dates & Reminders:**

- Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th April - Brookes Plus for Term 3 begins
- Friday 29th April - School Photo day (please see the separate letter for details)
- Friday 30th April - Break up for Half Term Holidays (15:10 finish)
- Tuesday 11th May - Return to School

Kind regards,

Mr Mark Broom

Principal

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