



EDUCATION FOR LIFE



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CELEBRATING 50 YEARS
1967/68-2017/18

BROOKE HOUSE COLLEGE
ENGLAND



UNIQUE PREPARATION FOR

We're all unique.

At Brooke House College we welcome every year students, aged 11 to 19, from a huge range of countries and cultures. We realise that they are very much individuals but are united in the common aim of receiving pre-university education of the highest calibre, and securing places at the most prestigious universities that they possibly can. We aim to encourage their development as independent individuals while helping them to secure their academic futures. The key to this, we believe, is a hard-working, purposeful, and inspiring yet comfortable and tolerant learning environment created by committed and caring college staff, an environment where different cultures can come together in a spirit of competition and determination combined with friendship and support.

At Brooke House College we understand both the educational and social needs that form the basis for greater opportunities, making for the experience of a lifetime.



A REWARDING FUTURE

Gaining an education away from home and family and friends, and possibly in a new country, can be a daunting experience. At Brooke House a warm welcome awaits every student. Our staff pride themselves on establishing close personal relationships with students, which continue when as mature young adults they have left for the more independent environment of university. Staff help students with the inevitable highs and lows of college life, sharing in triumphs and providing support in more difficult times.

At Brooke House we like to think that we cater for individuals' needs, delivering a truly bespoke education. To prepare students for university we offer a range of OCE A Level, GCSE, University Foundation and Intensive English Language Courses.

We believe that the following formula guarantees success:

- Quality specialised tuition in small classes
- High levels of individual attention
- Personal timetables giving flexibility
- Welfare and career counselling with advice on university entry and application
- Exam preparation and subject assessment on a half termly basis throughout the course of study
- English Language and study skills support programmes
- Close communications with parents and guardians
- Safe and comfortable campus accommodation
- Balanced and comprehensive programme of Co-curricular activities





ASPIRE TO ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



As an academic institution we are judged by the quality of our teaching and results - our reputation depends on these. Brooke House allows students to develop their potential to the full. For the most able student this will mean top grades and a place at one of the country's best universities, but over its 50 year history Brooke House has taken equal pride in drawing the best out of less able students.

ACADEMIC STAFF

Academic qualifications and expertise, teaching experience and an ability to relate to young people from different cultural backgrounds are the criteria by which Brooke House tutors are selected. A number of our staff members are or have been GCSE and A Level examiners, and a number of the faculty have been school inspectors. Regularly, current students, and former students at reunion events, describe teaching at Brooke House as the best they have ever encountered, and often those at university comment on how well Brooke House has prepared them for further academic life.

SMALL CLASSES

The average class size at Brooke House is 10-12. Such a staff-student ratio promotes a highly personal style of teaching. Tutors can quickly perceive areas of weakness in students and react to them effectively and sensitively. Specific learning difficulties can be swiftly addressed. Tutors bring a wide variety of teaching styles, methods and approaches to the classroom. In small, relatively informal classes students feel confident to voice opinions, contributing to group discussions, as well as to admit if they have not understood.

ACADEMIC WELFARE

As a small college the academic staff can liaise closely with pastoral and management staff discussing areas of improvement or problems. Students have Assessment Week at the end of each half-term, after which reports are prepared for target setting and monitoring prior to them being sent to parents through the Parent Portal. The half-termly reports include a record of test performance and parents can be kept in more close contact by arrangement. The college will always be happy to discuss a son or daughter's progress with his or her parents by telephone.

PRACTICE EXAMINATIONS

Regular practice examinations are seen as an invaluable part of the Brooke House learning process. Ultimately, and obviously, students must have a deep understanding of the syllabus content to be successful in examinations, but in addition to knowledge they must have the ability, determination and confidence to express this understanding in writing in a prescribed period of time in a precise and concise way. In examination review and study skills sessions tutors concentrate on personal organisation, and instruction in techniques of examination preparation and question interpretation.

ACADEMIC FACILITIES

Brooke House has a number of dedicated laboratories for Biology, Chemistry and Physics in which to conduct practical work. We have dedicated computer rooms for academic courses as well as enrichment activities. Art and Design is an increasingly popular subject option and at Brooke House we have a fully equipped Art Studio. The University and College Admission (UCAS) process is managed by experienced staff, with specialists in Oxbridge entry, Medicine and overseas applications. The Paul Kirchner (TK) Building is the college's activity centre during the school days Monday to Friday and is used as a social arena on some evenings and at weekends. The PK Building and all academic buildings have unlimited WiFi available.

'I have found the teaching styles and techniques here at Brooke House different to those in my native China, but very effective. I feel I have really benefited from the close personal attention and enthusiastic teaching that students receive here. I feel very proud that I have been offered a place at Trinity College, Cambridge University to read Natural Sciences next year.' – Sui Chen, China

'I found the academic environment at Brooke House competitive but enjoyable and stimulating. Some of the Asian students are particularly focused. However I feel that this environment inspired me as I achieved one A and two B grades in my A Level examinations, and I am now studying Accounting and Financial Management at Sheffield University.' – Chin Neik, England





ACHIEVE RESULTS TO REALISE YOUR POTENTIAL



GCSE (YEARS 10 & 11)

GCSE is an examination that most English students take at the age of 16 in between 4 and 8 subjects. At Brooke House a full range of GCSE courses is offered including, but not exclusively: Art, Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Combined/Co-ordinated Science, Economics, English, Geography, History, ICT/Computing, Mathematics, PE, Physics and Sociology. The GCSE course can be taken over 1 or 2 years depending on age and academic background, with a start in September and may also be studied over 5 terms from January each year.

KEY STAGE 3 (YEARS 7, 8 & 9)

Key Stage 3 is a three year course for students aged 11 to 14. At Brooke House students study Art (Graphics or Fine Art), English, Mathematics, Modern Foreign Languages (French, German or Spanish), Physical Education, Humanities and Science (with an equal split between Biology, Chemistry and Physics). Students also study Personal, Social and Health Education. Key Stage 3 can be studied as a one, two or three year course. Applications are considered for enrolment in September and January.

GCE A LEVEL (YEARS 12 & 13)

GCE A Level is one of the world's most recognised qualifications, leading students to direct university entry. To obtain this qualification, students undertake a 2 year course in 3 to 4 subjects normally starting at the age of 16. Apart from acquiring knowledge in particular subjects, the course also helps the students to develop important skills such as problem solving and project management. At Brooke House a full range of A level courses is offered including, but not exclusively: Accounting, Art and Design, Art History, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, English Literature, Geography, Government and Politics, Law, Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Modern Foreign Languages, PE, Physics, Psychology and Sociology. Students may study A Level on either a two year (6-term) course, commencing in September, or on an 18-month (5-term) course, commencing in January each year.

Additional course options can be made available by arrangement with the academic departments concerned.

UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION PROGRAMME (UFP)

The University Foundation Programme is a one-year fast track course designed to help international students to successfully enter UK universities to study for their first degree. However, should the needs of the student dictate, the UFP can be delivered on a 2 year basis. This course is normally taken up by students who have finished high school in their country of origin and would like to continue their education in the UK. Brooke House College offers subjects within a range of pathways: Architecture, Art, Fashion, Shoe Design, Contour Fashion, Business, Computer Science, Engineering, Law, Mathematics, Medicine and Pharmacy, Sciences, Sport Science and Sport Management. Medicine has a September intake and all other subjects have September and January intakes.

INTENSIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSE

An Intensive English (IE) Language Course is available to those students who need to improve their English language level as quickly as possible before embarking on an academic course. Each IE course is tailored to the individual academic needs of the student, helping to prepare them as thoroughly as possible for their GCSE, A Level or UFP course with an opportunity to sit for IELTS and Cambridge English examinations. English Language is also an integral part of academic courses such as GCSE and A Level, ensuring continued improvement of the students' linguistic abilities. Teaching methods are innovative and varied with the teachers employing the most modern learning techniques and approaches. Flexible start dates are available throughout the academic year.

INTENSIVE ENGLISH SUPPORT

Brooke House offers an exceptional level of support to students whose first language is not English. Our full-time team of dynamic, highly skilled and experienced teachers of English as a Foreign Language ensures the quickest possible progress.

Brooke House College, a significant choice I made for myself, has prepared me well for university over the last two years. Located in a traditional Small class, personalised teaching and regular assessments have helped to identify my academic strengths and weaknesses, hence I could revise with the University of Warwick with full confidence. – Ning Dan, China, Accounting and Finance, University of Warwick

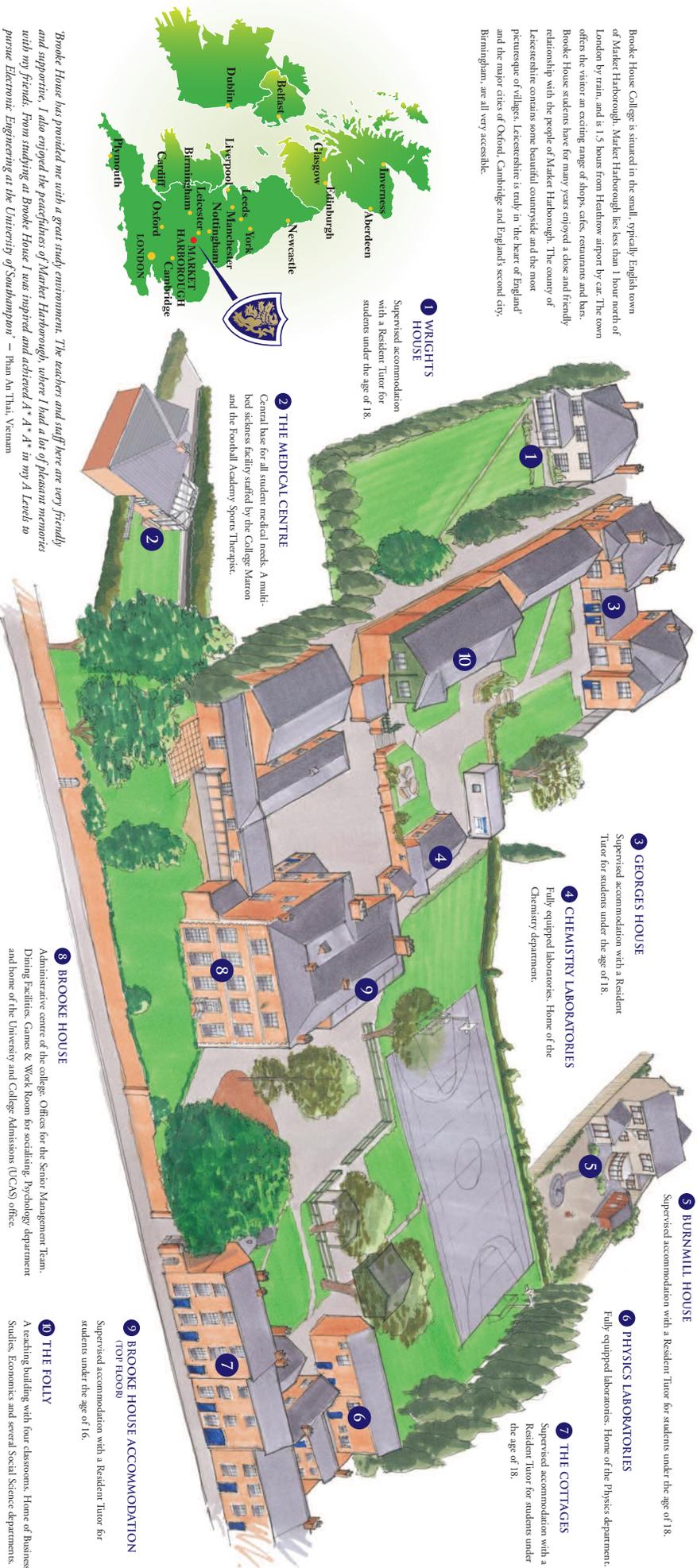
British town, it was a great place for me to concentrate on my independent learning and more importantly to interact with peers from various cultures, efficiently and acquire experience. I was fortunate to meet so many supportive tutors and like-minded friends, without whom I wouldn't be able to





SITUATED IN THE HEART OF ENGLAND

Brooke House College is situated in the small, typically English town of Market Harborough, Market Harborough lies less than 1 hour north of London by train and is 1.5 hours from Heathrow airport by car. The town offers the visitor an exciting range of shops, cafes, restaurants and bars. Brooke House students have for many years enjoyed a close and friendly relationship with the people of Market Harborough. The country of Leicestershire contains some beautiful countryside and the most picturesque of villages. Leicestershire is truly in 'the heart of England' and the major cities of Oxford, Cambridge and England's second city, Birmingham, are all very accessible.



1 WRIGHTS HOUSE
Supervised accommodation with a Resident Tutor for students under the age of 18.

2 THE MEDICAL CENTRE
Central base for all student medical needs. A multi-bed sickness facility staffed by the College Maroon and the Football Academy Sports Therapist.

3 GEORGES HOUSE
Supervised accommodation with a Resident Tutor for students under the age of 18.

4 CHEMISTRY LABORATORIES
Fully equipped laboratories. Home of the Chemistry department.

5 BURNMILL HOUSE
Supervised accommodation with a Resident Tutor for students under the age of 18.

6 PHYSICS LABORATORIES
Fully equipped laboratories. Home of the Physics department.

7 THE COTTAGES
Supervised accommodation with a Resident Tutor for students under the age of 18.

9 BROOKE HOUSE ACCOMMODATION (TOP FLOOR)
Supervised accommodation with a Resident Tutor for students under the age of 16.

8 BROOKE HOUSE
Administrative centre of the college. Offices for the Senior Management Team, Dining Facilities, Games & Work Room for socialising, Psychology department and home of the University and College Admissions (UCAS) office.

10 THE FOLLY
A teaching building with four classrooms. Home of Business Studies, Economics and several Social Science departments.



Brooke House has provided me with a great study environment. The teachers and staff here are very friendly and supportive. I also enjoyed the peacefulness of Market Harborough, where I had a lot of pleasant memories with my friends. From studying at Brooke House I was inspired and achieved A A* A* in my A Levels to pursue Electronic Engineering at the University of Southampton.* — Phan An Thau, Vietnam



Church Street & Old Town Hall

The Old Grammar School & St. Dionysius' Church

Grand Union Canal, Foston Locks



CONVENIENT CENTRAL LOCATION

1 HIGH STREET

A teaching building consisting of 14 classrooms and 4 art laboratories. Home of the Art, Languages, Maths and several Social Science departments.



2 UNION HOUSE

Supervised accommodation with a resident tutor for students 16 to 18+. Opened in 2013. All rooms are ensuite.



3 COLLEGE HOUSE (RIGHT)

A teaching building, consisting of 11 classrooms. Home of the Inclusive English, Physical Education, ECGL, Accounting and Business Studies departments.



4 COVENTRY HOUSE (NOT PICTURED)

Supervised accommodation with a resident tutor for students 16 to 18+.

5 THE ANGEL HOTEL (NOT PICTURED)

A 17th century coaching inn offering discounted prices to visiting parents.

6 HENGATE LABORATORIES (NOT PICTURED)

Fully equipped laboratories. Home of the Biology department.

7 LONDON HOUSE

Over 18 accommodation under the direction of a live-in Warden, 4 houses and 5 apartments (all single gender). Ensuite available.



8 PAUL KITCHENER BUILDING

A supervised activity centre during the school day. Monday to Friday and is used as a social centre in the evening, at weekends and during half term holidays. Contains a TV room with a 4m large screen connected to games console and SKY TV, a pool room, a table tennis room and a tuck shop.



9 NORTHAMPTON HOUSE

Supervised accommodation with a resident tutor for students 16 to 18+. Ensuite available. The site of the Brooke House College Football Academy manager's office and gym.



10 HARBOROUGH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

Home of the Brooke House College Football Academy. Used for training and home matches.



11 MARKET HARBOROUGH LEISURE CENTRE

Made available for sports activity sessions. These include Basketball, Badminton, Football, Gym and Tennis.



LEISURE CENTRE & FOOTBALL CLUB (0.6 miles)

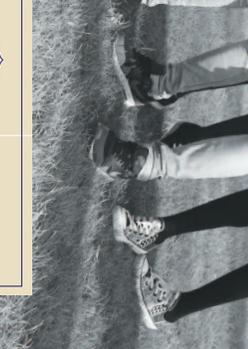
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WHERE YOU FEEL AT HOME



ACCOMMODATION

While students are with us at Brooke House we hope that they come to view the college as their home and the staff as their guardians. Boarding houses fall into different categories, supervised and over 18. Boarding houses can be found on and off the main Brooke House campus. As a rule, all students under 16 will be accommodated on campus. Students will only be permitted to live in over 18 accommodation if they have parental permission. All supervised accommodation has at least one live-in, full-time, residential tutor. The over 18 boarding houses are supervised by a full-time Warden. Students are allocated in single gender, comfortable, well-equipped boarding houses. All the boarding houses possess a sitting room, with television and DVD player and a kitchen where students can prepare their own snacks in the evening and at weekends. All boarding houses are equipped with WiFi. While all accommodation blocks possess their own laundry facilities there is also a central laundry with industrial washing and drying machines. A common meeting point for students is the college's recently refurbished PK Building, which has a pool and table tennis table available. The building is also equipped with a truck stop, SKY TV and WiFi.

Brooke House accommodation is open to all students during the half term holidays at no extra cost. Students in over 18 accommodation are welcome to remain with us during the Winter and Spring holidays, while the college is closed. Students in supervised accommodation are not permitted to remain during these holiday periods.

As the academic demands at Brooke House are high, outside the classroom the college atmosphere is deliberately informal. Rules and restrictions are kept to a common-sense minimum. This allows both boys and girls to enjoy a pleasantly relaxed atmosphere and encourages them to respect their liberty without abusing it.

HEALTH WELFARE AND DISCIPLINE

At Brooke House College our aim is to provide a student with the same level of care that he or she could expect while living with his or her parents. When students enrol at Brooke House they are immediately registered by the college full-time Matron, and at the local medical practice, near to the college, as temporary residents

and therefore receive accident and emergency health care, under the National Health Service. In addition to the roles of the Resident Tutor and Warden which are concerned with monitoring students' academic and general welfare, at Brooke House we also have an independent licenced, a professional and sympathetic person whom students can approach at any time for help and advice through counselling and support.

COLLEGE CATERING

At Brooke House we make every effort to provide quality, varied food with as international a flavour as possible. Menus are carefully prepared and changed on a daily basis. We ensure that students receive a balanced diet. Religious and special dietary requirements are adequately provided for, through the provision of halal meat, gluten free food, vegetarian dishes and flexibility concerning meal times during periods of religious observation.

I enjoyed each and every day at Brooke House College. The tutors are really friendly and patient with all students, especially non-native English speakers. I supported me during my time at the college. The academic tutors are all responsible and patient, they try to help every single student to achieve their

best on their course. I am going to study Accounting, Financial Management and Economics at the University of Sheffield.

-Tong Tong, China



SAMPLE MENU

BREAKFAST

A full English cooked breakfast accompanied with a range of pastiches, cereals, toast, preserves, yogurts, fresh fruit and fruit juice

LUNCH

Mushroom soup
Chicken tikka
Steak and mushroom pie
Spicy curin rice
Tiramisu with jelly rice
Vegetable samosa
Spicy Zucchini rigate
Sausages and
Sweetcorn
New potatoes
A salad bar
Fresh fruit
Selection of Yoghurts

DINNER

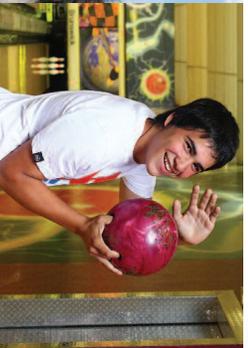
Beef in black bean sauce
Spiced chicken drumsticks
Sweet and sour pork
Caul with tomato sauce
Vegetable langpet
Noodles
Pudding with herbs
Compotes in butter
Onion rings

Both lunch and dinner are accompanied with a range of hot and cold drinks.





EXPERIENCE EUROPEAN CULTURE, SPORTS AND LEISURE



SPORT AND LEISURE

At Brooke House College we appreciate that as students are faced with a competitive academic environment it is very important for them to have the opportunity to relax. We encourage our students to live balanced lives, combining hard work with full participation in our varied programs of sporting, cultural and social activities. Our Director of Sport and Co-curricular activities ensures that there is something for everyone in terms of co-curricular events. In college we organise discos, film evenings, debating nights, chess, table tennis and pool competitions, music, drama, martial arts, aerobics and full participation in the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme.

The college has both football and basketball teams which play against other schools and local clubs. We have negotiated substantially reduced rates for both membership and instruction for students at the town's squash and 18-hole golf club. Arrangements with the local leisure centre enable students to a reduced entry fee for weight training and sauna, Jacuzzi and steam room facilities. Our weekend programme of activities is very varied and includes go-karting, paintballing, cinema and theatre visits, horse-riding, cycling, visits to theme parks and trips to places of local historical or cultural significance. One of the highlights of the annual social calendar is the Summer Prize Giving Ceremony.

TRIPS, EXHIBITIONS AND STUDY VISITS

At Brooke House College we realise that while our British and European students may obviously know Britain and Europe very well, for our students from further afield time at Brooke House lends an opportunity to really experience a new culture. Every half term, therefore, a weekend is given over to a 2-night sightseeing excursion with hotel accommodation. Recent destination cities have included York, Oxford, Cambridge, Bath, Nottingham and Edinburgh. In addition to this every term a vacation trip is arranged to one of Europe's most interesting cities. Recent holidays have been organised to Amsterdam, Dublin, Barcelona and Paris.

These longer trips really give students the opportunity to relax in a stimulating, cosmopolitan environment. Specialist study visits are arranged in support of academic courses throughout the college year. Residential field courses take place in conjunction with studies in Geography and Science. Art students regularly visit galleries in London and elsewhere.

"There is always lots going on at Brooke House. Your life is so busy. People pursue their own interests and hobbies but there are also plenty of clubs and team games that you can take part in." – Jessica Wallace, England

"I came to Brooke House from Nigeria to complete my secondary education, and now I am studying Engineering at Birmingham University. I have really enjoyed living in England and getting to know the English people culture. I have also really appreciated the opportunities I have had to visit Europe from England. The college's European trips are a great idea. Barcelona was fantastic!" – Oluwadapo Durusami Ebi, Nigeria



DELIVERING EXCELLENCE IN SPORT



‘The quality of coaching available at BHCEA combined with excellent facilities and a supportive environment enabled me to sign a professional contract with Nottingham Forest FC’
—Nilschay Tolsonov, Bulgaria (above)

FOOTBALL ACADEMY

Innovation to the Programme: Training sessions at the Football Academy are devoted to skills training, technical player development, fitness training and physical development and classroom based tactical seminars and examination of match footage under the direction of our team of UEFA Pro and FA qualified coaches. All Football Academy students attend academic classes with full-time students from Brooke House College. The Academy football teams play competitive weekly fixtures against academy sides, professional teams and students will have the opportunity to take part in professional trial games. The Academy aims to recruit a mix of students from UK and overseas and has international links in Asia, Eastern Europe and West Africa.

Training Schedule: Daily coaching sessions concentrate on every aspect of player development from improving individual technique to positional play and the contribution each player makes to the team.

Player fitness is monitored through individual training plans including a focus on diet and nutrition. Academy squad members’ individual programmes will also include gym work and swimming pool sessions. The Academy’s physiotherapist ensures the physical condition of all Academy players and co-ordinates players’ rehabilitation in the event of injuries.

The Future: We understand that football is a competitive world. Whilst we hope that as many of our students as possible may secure professional contracts, and we will give them every opportunity and encouragement to do so, we understand that part of our role is to prepare students for the fact that they may not, and to prepare them for a successful career outside football. Therefore we hope that with the academic qualifications they obtain through the Academy, students may progress on to further and higher education, be the stars of their university or college side, and complete the academic grounding that will allow them to postively pursue a prestigious professional career in whatever area they so desire.

‘The support I received on and off the pitch at Brooke House College has enabled me to secure my ambition of a professional football contract with Leicester City FC - Premier League Champions 2015/16. –Habib Mahomedu, Nigeria



MOTOR SPORTS ACADEMY

The Brooke House College Motorsport Programme started in 2014 and is an innovative programme dedicated to developing young racing drivers while delivering a full academic education. The course provides tuition on car control, racing techniques, fitness, nutrition, psychology, simulators, PR and media trainings, as well as practical track time, driving a variety of race cars, starting with karts.

All drivers will earn their Motor Sports Association (MSA) competition license, enabling them to progress on to whichever motorsport category they choose, in their racing future.

In addition to the basic package, drivers will have the opportunity of taking part in test days and can also take part in a full Motor Sports Association (MSA) racing series, such as karting, Renault Clio Cup, Formula Ford or even Formula 3. Our Motorsport team will be on hand to help with race day preparation and memorising at the circuit.

The Motor Sports Academy will run alongside normal curricular activities held at Brooke House College.

‘Brooke House College has given me the opportunity to take both my studies and my motorsport training very seriously. My English and academic subjects have improved and I have raced karts competitively in the UK and seen a huge improvement in my driving. Recently I had my first Formula Renault drive too. I consider myself very lucky to be a part of the Motorsport Academy at Brooke House.’ —Jacky Liu, China





OUR VISION FOR YOUR FUTURE



WHAT'S NEXT?

Brooke House offers considerable help and advice to students determined to enter higher education. Our Head of Careers and Higher Education is experienced and trained in University Admissions and assists every student helping him or her apply to the most suitable courses at the most appropriate universities. Several times every year the college holds a series of University Fairs where staff from a wide range of UK universities visit the college to publicise available courses and answer queries from students.

Given such guidance and encouragement it is perhaps unsurprising that every year over 95% of Brooke House students proceed to higher education to study in a wide variety of fields - Medicine, Architecture, Business, Economics, Law, Accounting, IT, Psychology and many more. Generally students are attracted to UK universities with institutions such as Cambridge, Oxford, Brunel, Cardiff, London School of Economics, Imperial College and Warwick figuring prominently. However the college also has considerable experience of preparing candidates for entry to colleges and universities overseas.

We remain close links with our past students and are pleased that every year many write to or email members of staff to inform them what they are doing and often call in to see us. Our alumni association allows us to keep in touch with many of our former pupils and we hold an annual reunion. We monitor our past students careers with interest and delight in their successes.

Former students include:

- Nigel Havers (Actor)
- Theo Fennell (Jeweller and Designer)
- Gideon Moy (African Businessman)
- Lord Eric de Summerz (Proprietor of Strathfields Health Farm)
- Dominic Dornneuil (President of Dornneuil, Paris)
- Richard Calveocost (Keeper of the Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art)
- Sarah (Co-founder with Sir Richard Branson of Storm Modelling Agency)
- Nikolay Fedorov (Nottingham Forest FC)
- Laila Lopes (Miss Universe 2012)
- Habib Malaminola (Lecturer, City FC)
- Tan Chun Lok (Hong Kong National Football Captain)

'The University of Leicester has a long-standing association with Brooke House College and is pleased to consider for admission to the University students who have been educated at the college.'



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