Thank you to all who joined us at last week's Winter Term Symposium! See the photos at brooksschoolphotos.com.

Key Second Semester Dates
Ready to fill your calendar? Click to view upcoming major school events through the end of the year. If you have any questions, please contact Associate Director of Alumni and Parent Programs Nicole Jackson ’95.

Add/Drop Period For Second Semester
Students should be in communication with the Academic Office about the addition of an independent course -- or a class switch or level change -- by Feb. 5, the end of the second semester add/drop period.
**Treats For Your Sweets**
On Feb. 14, our parents treat all students, faculty and staff to Valentine's Day desserts! We're looking for volunteers to bring in baked goods and to help set up and staff tables. Please contact Joan Ziady P'18, P'20, P'22 if you would like to help out.

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**Books Need to Be Ordered for Electives**
If your student is taking a new elective, check out our Follett Online Bookstore to order the books they'll need.

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**Re-Enrollment For Returning Students**
The re-enrollment process for returning students has begun in coordination with the Business Office and Powerschool. Emails will be sent from the Business Office as early as next week with the link to your student's re-enrollment account. Deposits will be due March 1. If you have questions, or need assistance with this process, contact Student Accounts' Marie Ranfos: (978) 725-6322, or Controller Jo-Ann Almaraz: (978) 725-6321.

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**"Hairspray" Is Coming!**
Join us for the inaugural show in Brooks' new Center for the Arts: "Hairspray," our winter musical. Performances are scheduled for Feb. 21 through Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. Look for ticket information during the second week of Feb.

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**It's Not Too Early to Make Summer Plans, Parents of Fifth and Sixth-Formers**
A Summer Opportunities Fair, highlighting academic, language and gap-year programs, will be held on Jan. 27 at Phillips Academy in Andover. The event is open to the public. See a list of the 100 organizations participating here. Contact Brooks' Dean of College Counseling Andy Campbell with any questions.

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**Save the Date: Blood Drive**
The Spring blood drive will be held Feb. 18, from 2 to 7 p.m. More information will follow. If you would like to sign up, please click here.

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**Gifts From Home Special for Valentine's Day**
Surprise your student with a special Valentine treat! We have three options, all of which are homemade:

- **Treat 1:** A half-dozen "Love Monster" cupcakes ($20)
- **Treat 2:** A half-dozen cupcakes and a half-dozen mini whoopie pies ($25)
- **Treat 3:** A half-dozen gluten-free Funfetti cupcakes ($20)

To order, contact Dawn Morrison at (978) 725-6300 x3112.

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**Student Activities This Weekend**
Click here to see all the activities, including a Celtics-watching party and a dance!

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**The P.A.C.: Parents’ Academic Corner**
At the start of second semester, the Learning Center encourages students to reflect on their past experiences in order to get a better understanding of their daily academic life and routines. Asking oneself questions such as, "Did I achieve my goals? What could I have done differently? What worked well?" enables a student to look ahead, anticipate obstacles, and plan for success. When students use this approach in setting manageable and realistic goals, they increase their ability to make progress on their planned behavior or outcome.

Upcoming Events

- Jan. 25: Fifth-Form Parent Reception, 6 p.m.
- Jan. 26: Fifth-Form Parent College Counseling Workshop, 8 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
- Feb. 13: Boston Reception, 6 p.m.
- Feb. 14: Parents Committee's Treats for Your Sweets (on campus)
- Feb. 18: Florida Alumni and Parent Reception, 6-8 p.m.
- Feb 21-23: Winter Musical: "Hairspray"
- Feb. 25: San Francisco Alumni and Parent Reception, 6-8 p.m.
- Feb. 27: Los Angeles Alumni and Parent Reception, 6-8 p.m.

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