



[Students on the Forefront of Science](#) interns (from left) Claire McCabe '18, Melany Blanco '18 and [Diane Lee '18](#) say hello from Harvard University, where they've been taking a neurobiology course this summer as part of the program.

Welcome to the 2017-2018 School Year!

The parent newsletter comes to you every Friday to keep you updated on school happenings. You can find archived copies of the newsletter, as well as other resources from the school calendar to the daily dining hall menu, on the [Parents page](#) of the [Brooks School website](#).

Aug. 27: New Family Reception

All new families are invited to join us at a reception on Aug. 27 from 5 - 7 p.m. at the home of Leslie and Trustee Belisario Rosas P'15, P'21 at 9 Manning Way, Andover, Mass. This gathering is an opportunity for families new to Brooks to meet each other. Head of School John Packard P'18, P'21 will greet families and address the group, as well. Click [here](#) to RSVP. Attire is dressy casual. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Countdown Is On For Opening Days

Click [here](#) to see the schedule for Opening Days, complete with advisor meetings and orientations, including a question and answer panel for new parents.

Make sure to note: New parents are welcome to the Parent Reception at the residence of Head of School John Packard on September 5 at 4 p.m.

Need Help With OnBrooks?

OnBrooks is our online student information and learning management system. Click [here](#) to read an introductory letter explaining how to login and navigate the site. If you need assistance with OnBrooks, feel free to contact Registrar and Director of Administrative Computing Lisa Saunders P'18, P'20 at lsaunders@brooksschool.org or (978) 725-6255.

Reminder: Registration Forms

Summer registration forms, athletic selections, ImPACT testing and student health information were due on July 15. If these forms have not been completed, more information and links are available in OnBrooks > Groups > Summer Registration. Magnus, our student healthcare management system, can also be accessed from OnBrooks. Click on "Resources" and select the orange-colored Magnus logo to sign into this system.

Brooks' Device Policy and Email Info

Brooks School utilizes Google Apps, and student email accounts are accessed through Google. There are detailed instructions on accessing email in OnBrooks > Groups > Summer Registration (or Summer Reading & Assignments) > Topics > Technology. This page includes FAQs and details on the [required device policy](#).

See Your Student's School Schedule

Students' assigned courses with teachers and schedule blocks will be visible in OnBrooks by 5 p.m. on August 21. An email notice will be sent once this information is officially released.

Has Your Child Been Busy Reading?

Students are reminded to continue working on their summer reading and assignments. Check in OnBrooks > Groups > Summer Reading & Assignments for details about the required readings and classwork, as well as a letter from Academic Dean Susanna Waters on summer reading and work expectations. Deadlines vary so please read the information carefully.

Don't Forget to Get Fall Textbooks, Either!

Students and families can purchase books for fall courses now via Follett, the online textbook provider for Brooks School. Click [here](#) to search for the texts by academic department and course name. A link to the Follett Online Bookstore has also been added to the "QuickLinks" on brooksschool.org for

easy access.

Require an Academic Accommodation?

Parents of new students, if you would like to have your child continue with their academic accommodations from a previous school, please provide [The Learning Center](#) with a copy of a neuropsychological evaluation completed within the last three years. Documentation may be emailed to Moira Goodman P'15, P'17, P'18, director of the Learning Center, at mgoodman@brooksschool.org.

Parents of returning students, if your child would like to request accommodations for the PSAT, SAT or ACT, please contact [Ms. Goodman](#) as soon as possible. This process takes six-to-eight weeks and the testing cycle starts earlier for the 2017-18 academic year.

Immunization Information

Brooks' [Health and Wellness Center](#) participates in the [Massachusetts Immunization Information System \(MIIS\)](#), a statewide, electronic record-keeping system that keeps track of your child's immunizations. Click [here](#) for more information, and contact the Health and Wellness Center at health@brooksschool.org or (978) 725-6206 if you have any questions.

Save The Date for Parents Weekend!

Parents Weekend is Oct. 19 - 21 on campus. A formal invitation will follow via email. Highlights of the fun weekend include:

- Oct. 19: Third- and Fourth-Form Parent Reception, in the evening
- Oct. 20: Current Parent Summit, on the vision and goals for the school, from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. including a State of the School address from Head of School John Packard
- Oct. 21: Mini classes, meet with your student's advisor, athletic contests, and much more!

See The Lehman's First Exhibit of the Year

The Robert Lehman Art Center kicks off its [2017-2018 school year exhibit schedule](#) on Sept. 6 with "Look Twice," a mother/daughter photography show featuring June Jacobsen and faculty member Tabitha Sherrell. The exhibit will formally open with a reception on Sept. 28 from 6:30 - 9 p.m. Join us then!

International Students Thanksgiving Option

During Thanksgiving vacation (Nov. 18 - 27), Ivy Leader is holding a college prep program on Dartmouth College's campus. Interested families should contact Ivy Leader directly via the contact information in [the brochure, here](#).

Extended Hours At The School Store

The school store is open all summer (Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.) and will have extended hours for the first week of school: Labor Day Monday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Thursday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Throughout the year, you can also treat your student to surprise presents with our Gifts From Home program. Click [here](#) to download the form to order a cake, cupcakes or even a package of balloons featuring a "Happy Birthday," "Congratulations!" or "Thinking of You" message for delivery on campus.

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