



# BROOKS SCHOOL

PARENT NEWSLETTER



As Lessons & Carols approaches, we take a look back at the Frank D. Ashburn Chapel as it looked in the 1930s.

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## Lessons & Carols This Sunday

You are cordially invited to our annual Lessons & Carols event, Dec. 10 at 4 p.m. in the Frank D. Ashburn Chapel. The service, which originated in the King's College Chapel, symbolizes humanity's universal longing for peace. Reception at the Head of School's house to follow. Please RSVP by contacting Jennifer Chiampa: [jchiampa@brooksschool.org](mailto:jchiampa@brooksschool.org) or 978-725-6300 x3212.

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## Parent Help Needed for Nutcracker Sweets

We're in need of parents who can bake or buy a goodie and drop it off on Thursday, Dec. 14, in Wilder Dining Hall before 11:30 a.m. You don't need to be a master chef! Contact [Claudia Kluchnik](#) P'15, P'18 if you can help.

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## The Week Ahead

[Click here](#) for the schedule for the upcoming week, including exams and special holiday celebrations. Please note: All school buildings will be locked from 3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 15, until noon Tuesday, Jan. 2. Students are not allowed in the buildings during the vacation.

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## Winter Break Transportation and Logistics

[Sign up in the Deans' Office for transportation to Logan Airport or CT/NYC for Winter Break.](#) Please finalize all plans by Dec. 8.

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## Attention Third-Form Parents!

On Thursday, Jan. 11, the third-form Winter Term classes (just the third form) will travel to [Boda Borg](#) in Malden, Mass. Boda Borg organizes small group challenge activities ("quests") that promote teamwork and collaboration. For students to participate, parents MUST sign an electronic waiver. Please [click here](#) to fill that out as soon as possible. Thank you!

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## College Counseling Letter to Fifth-Form Parents

[Click here](#) to read a letter from Brooks' College Counseling Office to the class of 2019 parents about the college process. It provides details on the road ahead.

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## Student Activities This Weekend

It's calzone time! Lots going on this weekend to calm those exam nerves, including various open houses and some cuddling time with Barn Babies! [Full schedule here.](#)

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## Athletic Director's Update

Please be sure to check your email for a message sent yesterday regarding winter sports gear stores. The site is open for ordering now and will close next week (12/13). Order while you have the chance!

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## School Store Holiday Shopping

Looking for the perfect holiday gift? Look no further than the Brooks School Store. If you can't get here, just call us at 978-725-6300 x3216 and we will ship directly to you. We have some new items as well as winter hats, scarves and gloves. Gift certificates are also a great idea! In addition to regular hours, there will be extended shopping hours on Saturday, Dec. 9, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Happy Holidays from your friends at the school store!

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## Upcoming Parent Events

Dec. 10: Lessons & Carols for parents and alums, 4 p.m., reception to follow  
Dec. 14: Parents Committee's Nutcracker Sweets event  
Dec. 15: Winter Break begins  
Jan. 2: Winter Break ends  
Jan. 19: Winter Term Symposium

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