

Brakenhale School

Year 10 News



Friday 10th November 2017

Dear Year 10 Students

Year 10, we have had another really positive week at Brakenhale. I won't lie I was quite worried at the beginning of the week that things might go wrong but I love it when you prove me wrong. All in all, lessons have been successful, tutor time has been impactful and there has been lots of participation in extra-curricular clubs which are all major ingredients to a positive school climate.

I spoke with you all yesterday about the word responsibility and how you are responsible for the way you behave in and out of school. We are facilitators of your learning and your development but we are not responsible for your actions.

Attendance has been really good this week and we are at 94.6% which is great but just below our target of 95%. Behaviour once again has been superb this week and we want this trend to continue in the run up to Christmas.

Next week is your first parents evening of KS4. Can you make sure that your parents are making appointments with teachers and that you are attending as well. They are a little bit different to KS3 parents evening in that they offer your parents real insight into how your new courses are going and provide an opportunity to discuss the best ways to support you individually.

Homework is a key area of your learning that needs to be improved. Many of you are still failing to meet deadlines, this is crucial in all of your studies. In particular BTEC assignments, which often have deadlines that are not flexible. There are many support mechanisms you can access, these will allow you to improve your homework and ability to meet deadlines. Everyday, before and after school there is access to a computer in the LRC for homework club and www.getrevising.co.uk allows you to create a homework planner, this will allow you to manage your time efficiently. In addition to this Show My Homework should be checked every day and we recommend you download the app, this will send you notifications when you have homework set and when the work is due.

Next week we also have a non-school uniform day in aid of Children in Need. Please make sure what you are wearing is appropriate for school, if not, school uniform will be provided for you to change into. If you are not wearing your school clothes make sure you bring in a pound as it will be collected by tutors. Some of the girls in the year group are running a cake sale on the day outside the HOY's office. Please ensure you support them in this challenge.

A final congratulation to all the girls who have represented school in netball, we concluded our fixtures with a 16-16 draw against Sandhurst. A special thank you to all year 10s who represented Brakenhale in an impeccable manner at the House of Parliament trip on Tuesday. Our special congratulations continue to Emily Cary, Miriam Appiah Amponsah and Hannah Franklin who have all been selected as Young Sports Ambassadors. Well done to the following who have all been selected as House Captains:

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Martin Cooper
Miriam Appiah Amponsah
Macey Thorne
Lester Dumfeh
Alex Elsey
Sarah Alazawi
Emily Cary
Lauren Williams

Lastly, your equipment is going to be checked again on Monday as it is slipping once more. Can you ensure that you are stocked up, including glue sticks, and that you have everything you need for your lessons.

Have a nice weekend and make sure you get your homework done.

Kind regards



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Key Dates

Date	Event
16th November	Parents evening
22nd - 23rd November	PSHE drugs workshop
24th November	House Captains mentor training day
29th November	Period 3 RS exam PPE
14th December	Year 10 access arrangements assessment day

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Week commencing – 13th November 2017

	<u>Tutor</u>	<u>Notices</u>	<u>Lunchtime</u>	<u>After school clubs and fixtures</u>
<u>Monday</u>	<u>Inter-house quiz + newsround</u>	<u>Tutor meeting at 8.35 in CR3</u>	Keyboard Club – M01	Homework club – LRC Spanish support – C03 French support – C05 EAL homework support club – Connexions room
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Main hall assembly</u>		Identity group -T01 Pops Choir – M01	Homework club - LRC Homework club – LRC Cross country/fitness – Mr Jackson-Sankey Rugby – Mr Boucher + Mr Kingston Netball – Miss Rushby + Miss Willimott Free Fall girls dance company
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Window to the world</u>	REMEMBER YOUR PE KIT!	Guitar & Ukulele group LS1	Homework club - LRC Badminton – Miss Rushby Football – invite only STEM club – Miss Metcalf School of rock rehearsals
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Sports hall assembly</u>	PARENTS EVENING		Homework club - LRC Trampoline – Miss Willimott + Mr Boucher Girls rugby club Art club – A02 EAL Young interpreters club – Connexions room School of rock rehearsals Terranova boys dance company
<u>Friday</u>	<u>ICT rooms</u> <i>Show My Homework</i> <i>Pixl Lit</i> <i>Get Revising</i>	<u>Tutor meeting at 8.35 in B13</u> NON-UNIFORM DAY CHILDREN IN NEED £1 CONTRIBUTION	Band practice LS1	Homework club – LRC Culture club – Connexions rooms Btec Sports Leaders catch up GCSE PE revision