

# Brakenhale School

## Year 9 News



**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

Dear Year 9

You are now entering the final two days before your exams on Monday – this weekend should be productive and this means certain times within Saturday and Sunday should be dedicated to revision. You can then treat yourself next weekend to two days off and lots of rest and relaxation knowing that you have given the three examination days your best effort.

### **Assembly Recap:**

This week's Main Hall Assembly led by Mr Gibson focussed on general exam preparation for next week. He spoke about different methods which would aid your revision such as spider diagrams, mind maps, sticky notes and revision cards. Revision is all about summarising the information you have to make it easy for yourself to remember. Stick revision posters on your bedroom walls this weekend to show yourself how much revision you have completed and remind yourself of those facts you are not completely sure of yet. The more you see and hear information the better it will stay in your brain. Mr Gibson also mentioned that looking after yourself is important next week also – you should be aiming to go to bed early on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday night and ensure you eat breakfast. Bring a bottle of water into the exams with you and avoid energy drinks as they do not improve concentration. You will not need false energy if you have got 8 or 9 hours sleep and eaten something nutritious!

### **Attendance:**

Overall the whole school's attendance this year so far is 95.5% - this is a huge achievement and we hope to improve it even more. Year 9 are currently on 94.4% which is a little under but again attendance has been excellent for the vast majority of the year group. This was celebrated last week in Mr Hicks Rewards Assembly when he drew out the names of two people from the 100% attendance list; these lucky two then received big bars of chocolate.

### **Parliament Trip:**

A number of Year 9s attended the Parliament Trip last week in London. They enjoyed their day out and even were lucky enough to see some of our more famous politicians.



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## **PSHE**

Our next PSHE lesson will be on Tuesday Period 5 – this week we will continue or focus on the aid that charities give to the less fortunate within Britain and in third world countries. We will also continue with the debate we began in the last lesson based on this topic.

## **Uniform**


On the whole Year 9 uniform is looking great at the moment – don't forget that ties must be to your waist, nail varnish is not allowed in school and scarves must be put into your school bags as soon as you arrive in school in the mornings.

## **Children In Need Day:**

Congratulations on bringing in £1 as a contribution to Children In Need Day for our non-school uniform day – the funds raised will go towards helping large numbers of disabled children and young people in the UK. This also links in with our PSHE topic this term.

Hope you all enjoy your weekend – don't forget to study!

Best wishes



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## KEY EVENTS – 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017

	<b>Tutor</b>	<b>Notices</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Uniform Check Tools for Learning Weekly Quiz	
<b>Tuesday</b>	Uniform Check Tools for Learning IT Rooms	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Uniform Check Tools for Learning Main Hall Assembly	
<b>Thursday</b>	Uniform Check Tools for Learning News of the World	
<b>Friday</b>	Uniform Check Tools for Learning Sports Hall Assembly	

### Lunch-time and Period 6 detentions

Lunch-time detentions for lateness and uniform in G01  
 Period 6 detentions in A04 with Mr Hicks and Miss O'Brien from after school until 3:30pm  
 If you do not attend your lunch-time detention, there will be a message sent out via schoolcomms to your parents and you will be expected to attend period 6 the following day.

**Year 9 Wet Breaks**

T03/T04

### Key Dates

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
W/C November 20th	Year 9 Exam Week
W/C January 31 <sup>st</sup>	Year 9 Book Look Week
February 1st	Year 9 PR / Options Evening
February 22nd	Year 9 Parents Evening

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