

Brakenhale School

Year 9 News



Friday 1st December 2017

Dear Year 9 Students

Results assembly

We are now in our final two weeks of half term with school closing for the Christmas holidays on Friday 15th December at 12.05. On that morning, during our Sports Hall assembly you will be receiving your results from last weeks' examinations. Options for GCSE will be on the forefront of everybody's minds when we come back after the Christmas break, so it is important to continue to work to the best of your ability in all your subjects as the holidays approach. You will have an options assembly towards the end of January in which various heads of department will talk to you about their subjects. Subjects you have not studied yet at KS3 for example Business Studies and Health & Social Care will also be offered.

Attendance:

Year 9 are back over the 95% mark – 95.7% this year to date to be precise. Attendance has been really great this half term – well done Year 9 keep it up. Attendance for the school overall is exactly 95% which is higher than this time last year. Remember as far as possible, appointments should be made for after school or during Period 5 so you can be registered in PM tutor.

Uniform:

Linking to attendance and your health and wellbeing, the weather is particularly cold at the moment and therefore you should be wearing appropriate clothes which keep you warm. Scarves, gloves and hats are allowed to be worn to and from school but not in the school building. Everybody should purchase a black coat and wear it, as your blazer is not a coat and will not provide the same warmth. If girls are wearing skirts, you have the option to wear tights, which are much warmer than bare legs. The same high standards apply to all other uniform – nail varnish, jewellery and white socks need to be left at home. Top buttons need to be done up and proper black school shoes should be worn at all times.

PSHE:

We had our fifth PSHE lesson on the topic of Global Learning on Wednesday of this week. This involved you using analysing skills to discuss and write about charity adverts and how they are used to gain an emotional reaction from the audience. In two weeks' time, we will be concluding this topic which has been very successful this half term, particularly with our participation in the Christmas ShoeBox Appeal. There will be some further year 9 charity events in the New Year.

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Sporting Events:

Well done to all those who took part on the rugby and netball games for the House Competitions on Tuesday of this week. The winners of Netball were Jennetts house and for the rugby, it was Swinley. It was an enjoyable time for all those involved. A number of the Year 9 girls will also be taking part in a five a side football tournament on 14th December in Woodley. There will be a KS3 and KS4 Badminton Game (Girls and Boys) next week on Tuesday and a KS3/KS4 Boys Football Game next Thursday – good luck to all those involved.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes



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		Tutor	Notices
Monday		Uniform Check Tools for Learning Weekly Quiz	
Tuesday		Uniform Check Tools for Learning IT Rooms	
Wednesday		Uniform Check Tools for Learning Main Hall Assembly	
Thursday		Uniform Check Tools for Learning News of the World	
Friday		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 HOY office with Mr Hicks and Miss O'Brien from after school till 3:30pm

If you do not attend your lunchtime detention, there will be a message sent out via schoolcomms to your parents/carers and you will be expected to be in period 6 the following day.

Key Dates:

Date	
December 11 th	Music Show 18.00-20.00
December 15 th	Christmas Jumper Day and Early Finish 12.05 (Beginning of Christmas Holidays)
W/C January 31 st	Year 9 Book Look Week
February 1 st	Year 9 PR / Options Evening
February 22 nd	Year 9 Parents Evening

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