

Brakenhale School

Year 8 News



Friday 5th January 2018

Dear Year 8 Students

Welcome back and a very happy New Year to you all! We hope you all managed to get some rest and are prepared for the term ahead.

A new year undoubtedly brings change for us all, and Ms Coley's assembly on Thursday served as a timely reminder of that. We all have challenges ahead over the next year: some positive; some not so much. It is important that we face such changes with resilience and high expectations of ourselves. It is also important to recognise areas where we struggle, and ask for help and guidance when need be. We are a community after all and are here for each other.

A crucial way of reflecting on challenges ahead – and celebrate successes so far - is to have conversations with your teachers. A great opportunity for this comes at Parents' Evening, which is coming up on **Thursday 18th January**. Please make sure your parents are making appointments online, and if there are any issues with doing this, make sure your tutor is made aware as soon as possible. Prior to this is a Year 8 'Book Look' week, which gives your parents and carers the opportunity to see the work you have been doing in preparation for the Parents' Evening.

Further to those private conversations celebrating success: well done to those students who were rewarded in the last week of last term for their exceptional behaviour and attendance. Please – all of you – continue to reach for those high expectations in regards to attendance; punctuality; having full tools for learning, and wonderful uniform. Having these in place means all other aspects of school life are so much easier to achieve!

Finally, a reminder that PSHE is on Wednesday P3. Be prepared to be fully engaged in these lessons, as they are as vital as all other lessons in developing your global learning and preparing you for life beyond school.

Regards

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Tutor Routine – w/c 5th January 2018

	AM Tutor	PM Tutor
Monday	Sports Hall Assembly	Learning reflection
Tuesday	Tutor Independent learning/Silent Reading	Learning reflection
Wednesday	Tutor Independent learning	Learning reflection
Thursday	Main Hall Assembly	Learning reflection
Friday	News Quiz	Learning reflection

Lunch-time and Period 6 detentions

Lunch-time detentions for lateness and uniform in M13
P6 in HoY office with Miss Douse/Mrs Howes from after school until 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	Event
Thursday 18th January	Year 8 Parents Evening 4.00 -7.00pm
Wednesday 23 rd January	PSHE P3

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