

Brakenhale School

Year 9 News



Friday 12th January 2018

Dear Year 9 Students

Another week into the New Year and another week closer to the half way mark of year 9. This week brought with it immunisations, a reading programme in tutor and the first delve into considering what you would like to do in the future when you leave the security of Brakenhale behind and enter the world of adulthood.

Assemblies:

This week in our Wednesday assembly, we had a guest speaker from the Duke of Edinburgh's Award who described some of the activities you would be doing and the benefits associated with signing up to take part. This is a very exciting opportunity and as there are no maximum number who can apply this year, you should consider taking part. It will look great on your CV. The forms will be available very soon for those of you considering it.

PSHE:

PSHE this week took place in the IT rooms as we began researching various career paths and thinking about what we would like to do when the time comes to leave school; this was also a great opportunity to explore careers that you had not previously considered or thought of. The quiz you completed on the website listed your strengths and the careers which were best suited to those strengths the most. Many students in 9R commented they thought that the results were an accurate summary of their personality and I am sure many others thought the same across the year group.

Attendance:

Attendance for Year 9 to present is 95.1%. We are still just above the 95%, which is great, but to get us back up out of the danger zone and into a nice safe percentage above 95%, you need to ensure you are in school every day. Ensure you are eating healthy food for your immune system and are wearing your coat when you are outside – looking after yourselves will mean less sickness and having to take less time off.

Reading in Tutor:

The reading programme was rolled out across all tutor groups on Monday morning and has been a brilliant success so far. Remember engagement with books will increase your grades across your GCSEs because if you come into contact with good vocabulary and if you are able to use this vocabulary in your exams there is no doubt you will impress the examiners.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

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High Expectations and Challenge for All

		Tutor	Notices
Monday		Uniform Check Tools for Learning Reading Time	
Tuesday		Uniform Check Tools for Learning Reading Time	
Wednesday		Uniform Check Tools for Learning Main Hall Assembly	
Thursday		Uniform Check Tools for Learning Reading Time	
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 students do not attend their lunch-time detention, there will be a message sent out via schoolcomms to you and your child will be expected to be in period 6 the following day.

Key Dates:

Date	
W/C January 31 st	Year 9 Book Look Week
February 1st	Year 9 Options Evening
February 7 th and 8 th	Whole School Show
February 22nd	Year 9 Parents Evening

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