

# Brakenhale School

## Year 11 News



**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018**

**Weekly Attendance: 90.3%**

Dear Year 11

In this last week of half term we are now just a number of weeks away from the exam season! Many of you have been working really hard to keep up to date with everything that has been asked of you. Use half term well to keep yourselves on track and come back for an intense second half term.

For any parents that listen to Radio 4, I listened to an excellent podcast the other day about "The Teenage Brain". Whilst reassured that Y11 are, indeed, normal (!), it gave me some food for thought about what teenagers are going through. For students, it might give you a little insight into what's going on!

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b09pl662>

### **Attendance**

Attendance has been disappointing recently. Too many students have been taking time off when they really should be in school making they are keeping up with progress. If you're not in, you're not learning! Of course this is sometimes unavoidable, but it is so important that you are here in school. You only have a number of weeks now before exams kick off and you need to be here, learning.

### **Standards Fortnight**

This week you will be receiving the Expectations handbook that Mr Hartley mentioned in assembly. This important document outlines who we are at Brakenhale, and what we expect of you, and what you should expect of yourselves. We will be looking really closely in the next couple of weeks to make sure you are setting the right example to the younger year groups.

### **Prom**

Mrs Duddy has spoken to you all many times about Prom this year and is chasing up payments and letters. A reminder that you will not be able attend if we do not have both the permission slip and payment.

### **Parent's Evening- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018 4-7pm**

A plea to all parents/carers to make sure that this evening is booked off work! This will be most important parent's evening we have ever had, and we expect to see virtually every parent/carer and student in attendance. We will be taking enquiries on attendees soon so please make sure that you are available for this important date in your son or daughter's year.

### **PPE2- March**

As mentioned in previous newsletters, you will be sitting another set of PPEs in March. This will come around very quickly so it is important that you start your revision **now**. I have had a number of conversations with students recently about the previous PPEs who found revision hard, because they started too late. If this applies to you then make sure you learn from the mistake and start to put in the effort now.

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## **P6**

The Period 6 timetable is now in effect. Please make sure you are on time and engaged in what you are studying. Teachers are voluntarily giving up their time to help all of you do well in the summer- do not waste this opportunity.

## **Hoodies**

Letters for Y11 Leavers Hoodies will be going out soon.

## **School of Rock**

The first ever Brakenhale school production takes place this week with lots of talented students taking part. Performances are Wednesday and Thursday and tickets can be bought on Parent Pay.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please get in touch.



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Please share with us your views on what you like about the school and what we can do to improve by clicking on the links below:



**Fab & Drab**

[Fab](#)

[Drab](#)

Please let us have your nominations for any members of staff who have exceeded your expectations this week:



**Staff  
Member of  
the Week**

[Staff Member of the Week](#)

Paper copies of nominations can be dropped into the boxes in main reception

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## KEY EVENTS – w/c 5<sup>th</sup> March

	<i><b>Tutor Programme and daily events</b></i>	<i><b>BTEC and GCSE Exams</b></i>	<i><b>Sports fixtures</b></i>
<b>Monday</b>	<u><b>Jennetts assembly in Main Hall</b></u>		
<b>Tuesday</b>	Careers and Curriculum in the ICT rooms <u><b>Temple assembly in Main Hall</b></u>		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<i><b>Additional tutor time as no assembly</b></i>		
<b>Thursday</b>	Careers and Curriculum in the ICT rooms <u><b>Farley assembly in Main Hall</b></u>		
<b>Friday</b>	House News Quiz <u><b>Swinley assembly in Main Hall</b></u>		

### **Lunchtime and Period 6 detentions**

Lunchtime detentions for lateness and uniform in M13/M14

Students on Period 6 to go to C15 with Mrs Duddy and Mr Benson from after school till 3:30pm

### **Key Dates:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 11 Options Week Starts
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 11 - Stress Workshops (Tapping) - Periods 2, 3 & 4 - Conference Room
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Residential PGL Trip to Liddington PGI - English, Maths, Science

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# Period 6 Timetable (This week is week 1)

## Year 11 Study Support Programme – Year 11 17/18


	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	<b><u>Maths</u></b>	<b>English</b>	<b>Option B</b>	<b>Science</b>	<b>Option C</b>
Week 2	<b><u>Maths</u></b>	<b>English</b>	<b>Option D</b>	<b>Science</b>	<b>Option A</b>

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# PE EXTRA CURRICULAR

MONDAYS - STAFF MEETINGS


**TUESDAY**  
 CROSS COUNTRY/FITNESS - ALL YEARS - EJA  
 RUGBY - YEARS 9+10 - JBO+MKI  
 NETBALL - ALL YEARS - LWI +LEU



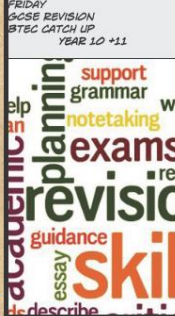
**WEDNESDAY**  
 BADMINTON - ALL YEARS - LEU  
 FOOTBALL (INVITE ONLY YEAR 10+11) - WYE +EJA

















**THURSDAY**  
 TRAMPOLINING - ALL YEARS - JBO + LWI  
 RUGBY - YEAR 7 + 8 - RBE + WYE



**FRIDAY**  
 GCSE REVISION  
 BTCC CATCH UP  
 YEAR 10 +11



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	Break	Lunch	After School 3:05 - 4:05
<b>Monday</b>	Music Homework - For any Music homework you've been set! LS1 (Mr Duffy's room) 	Keyboard Group - Come and join a group based on keyboards! M01 (Mrs Hope's room) 	GCSE Music Theory group - Develop your music theory knowledge to achieve better grades in your exam. M01 (Mrs Hope's room)
<b>Tuesday</b>	Band Workshop - Work to develop your band's set! LS1 (Mr Duffy's Room) 	Pops Choir - If you like singing the join the choir to sing some popular music songs. M01 (Mrs Hope's room) 	Jazz Band - Brakenhale's very own Jazz band! LS1 (Mr Duffy's room) 
<b>Wednesday</b>	LS1, LS2 and practice rooms open to book for practice. (Mr Duffy's Room) 	Guitar/Ukulele group - Develop your guitar/uke skills as part of a group. LS1 (Mr Duffy's room) 	Brakenhale's Musical Theatre group - Learn and practice the pieces of music required for our Musical! Coming soon... 
<b>Thursday</b>	Music Homework - For any Music homework you've been set! LS1 (Mr Duffy's room) 	Brakenhale's Musical Theatre group - Learn and practice the pieces of music required for our Musical! Coming soon... 	Function Band - Learn and develop the skills and repertoire to be in a Function Band. Invitation only... LS1 (Mr Duffy's room) 
<b>Friday</b>	LS1, LS2 and practice rooms open to book for practice. (Mr Duffy's Room) 	Band Workshop - Work to develop your band's set! LS1 (Mr Duffy's Room) 	

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