

Brakenhale School

Year 7 News



Friday 9th February 2018

Dear Year 7 Students

The second week of Standards fortnight has continued with the excitement of more golden tickets for those students who have been making all the right choices and who have been seen doing the right thing consistently, such as following the school non-negotiables without being asked. I was personally thrilled when, on Friday morning, two Year 7 students opened the outside door for me whilst I was carrying various bags into school. Surprisingly they refused golden tickets, because "we always hold doors open." So well done to all of you who have earned some of the 1400 golden tickets awarded! Do continue with these good manners and meeting our high expectations next half term, as staff will still be awarding academic house points and community points. There will be another Standards fortnight later in the year.

7E won the attendance award this week, with a 98.7% attendance but they are being chased by 7K and 7H. As a year group, the statistics for the whole year attendance since September are over 95%. Well done for making the effort to be in every day. Who will win this first week after half term?

The motto of the week has been, "Be kind or be quiet". I have had this motto on my teaching board in my room, as it such a simple quote, but it takes thought and discipline to achieve quietness. When we are quiet, we are observers of the rest of the world and will then have the chance to pause and think who shall I be kind to, how can I help them and make a difference? In my previous career, I have met and worked with many directors of large corporates and they were all quiet people – silent observers but powerful deep thinkers, who would then make significant changes to their companies to propel significant growth and profits.

So, now we have the half term break to reflect that we have achieved the half way point of Year 7. We hope you have a good break and rest. We look forward to seeing you on the Monday, in your smart uniforms and replenished tools for learning. Happy half term!

Regards

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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

KEY EVENTS – w/c 19th February

	Tutor	Notices
Monday	Tutor in their tutor rooms	
Tuesday	Sports Hall assembly	Clubs: Homework club in the LRC Hockey – all years - LWI Handball – all years - JBO Netball – all years - LRU
Wednesday	Tutor Literacy Normal Lessons periods 1 - 4 PSHE – period 5	Clubs: Table Tennis – All Years – WYE Girls Football – All years - CMY
Thursday	Tutor Current Affairs	Clubs: U12 Football – RBE Trampolining – all years – LWI Badminton – all years - LRU
Friday	Main Hall – Year 7 Assembly	Clubs: Dance Club

Future Dates

Thursday 1 st March	PSHE period 1
Thursday 1 st March	Maths Challenge for invited Year 7 and Year 8 pupils in the Main Hall, P3
Thursday 8 th March	Year 7 Parents' evening
Wednesday 28 th March	Year 7 Disco, 7-9pm
Friday 6 th – Sunday 8 th July	PGL Trip to the Isle of Wight

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