

Brakenhale School

Year 8 News



Friday 25th May 2018

Dear Year 8 Students

We have made it to half term! It is not long until you will be heading into Year 9, which is an incredibly important step forward. During that year, you will have to start to think – and then choose – the options subjects you want to take for your GCSEs. Do remember that those qualifications are the key to your future, not only as individuals but as citizens who can make a significant contribution to the community as a whole.

The fire alarm on Tuesday was not a drill but a false alarm. Regardless of that, you and the whole school did an amazing job of getting yourselves sensibly and safely down to the assembly point. It really is vital that – whether real or not – we are able to do this correctly, particularly during the building work. Movement around school has some areas that are quite tight but - by being responsible and careful - we can all make sure we are doing the right thing.

You will have noticed a number of new blue wheelie bins around the school site this week – these are recycling bins for your plastic bottles and not for other general waste. We recently had an assembly on taking care of our environment and the numerous dangers associated with plastic so it really is a good idea to dispose of your bottles in the correct way. Please do not put anything else in these bins as this makes recycling the bottles collected more difficult and can even stop that bag of contents being recycled altogether.

Building work does seem rather quiet of late, but that is because a lot of preparation is going on at the moment. During the half term break, some changes will take place and on your return you may notice the old music department has disappeared! This will be the first major change to the 'old' site, and an exciting development marking the development of the new build.

Some of you have been put on academic reports this week. This is a positive measure to help you keep on track during your school day. Please make sure you get them completed by your teachers (this is your responsibility); get them checked daily with your tutor, and show them to your parents so they can see how well you are progressing!

On your return, please to make sure you have all your Tools for Learning and full and correct uniform. And please let us put a massive focus on attendance! The weather has improved so much that you should all be fit and healthy and in 100%!

Have a great and safe half term!

Many thanks

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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

**It always seems
impossible until it's done.**

Nelson Mandela

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KEY EVENTS – w/c 4th June 2018

	AM Tutor	PM Tutor
Monday	Movement Studio Assembly	Learning Reflection
Tuesday	Tutor Reading/Tools for Learning Check	Learning Reflection
Wednesday	Tutor Reading/Tools for Learning Check	Learning Reflection
Thursday	Main Hall Assembly	Learning Reflection
Friday	Tutor Reading/Tools for Learning Check	Learning Reflection

Lunch-time and Period 6 detentions

Lunch-time detentions for lateness and uniform in M13
P6 in HoY office with Miss Douse/Mr Kingston 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:

Friday 8 th June	PSHE – P1
Tuesday 26 th June	KS3 Inter-house Competition Tues/Weds/Thurs

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