



Dear Parents/Carers

This week our school tours have been continuing and have been really popular, we have now shown round almost 500 people in the last 3 weeks. Parents and students alike have been very excited, especially when they get a glimpse of the new build. I have been into the new building twice this week and actually felt quite emotional as I stood in the corridors and the classrooms, many of which are almost complete. We are continuing with our plans to decant from the old building into the new, it's a bigger job than moving house that's for sure!

On Monday and Tuesday our Year 11 Geography students visited Barton-on-sea to enhance their GCSE studies and to collect data. Despite some very poor weather they did brilliantly and have been following up this week in their lessons. Wednesday saw our fantastic Year 7 disco and I would like to extend my thanks to Miss Turner and all the Year 7 tutors for supporting the event and giving up their evening to dance the night away. On Thursday Mr Spaul invited parents and students to join a meeting to discuss the upcoming Ski trip. They are all thoroughly looking forward to it and I am so glad that we are now able to offer this trip after a couple of years of it not going ahead.

Next week, there will be another Geography trip on Tuesday, this time for our Sixth Form students, who will be visiting Sandbanks. In addition, our Year 13 students will be taking part in mock interviews held by Microsoft. This gives them the experience of undertaking an intensive interview and receiving feedback from the Microsoft representatives.

Thursday is World Mental Health day and we are encouraging staff to wear yellow to show their support. Ms Lane has organised a 26 mile teachers' run around the field - the 26 miles will be completed by the whole staff not individually!! We are hoping that the students will be generous in their sponsorship. We are also holding a Year 7 meet the tutor evening on Thursday - parents can meet their child's tutor and discuss their progress.

Finally, on Friday we have a What Careers Fair for our Year 12 students who will be travelling to Olympia in London to view a variety of careers to help them make a life choice. In the evening our CCF team will be leaving to visit an army base in Bramley and will be taking part in a variety of activities, returning on the Saturday. Next week will certainly be another busy one!

Well done To Alex Bourne who is playing for Reading Football Club this season. This has been achieved through plenty of hard work and commitment.

Also congratulations to Hope Lane who has managed to win 3 very intensive fights to win Gold and become the new Welsh Tae Kwon Do champion. Amazing work and dedication!

And a huge thank you to Mrs Morton, a parent, who made four trays of cakes and cookies for our Macmillan Coffee Morning last week. We look forward to letting you know how much we made next week.

Student of the week:

This week's students of the week are Harrison Helyer, Jade Daniel, Megan Lockyer and Liv Humphery who have worked really hard in setting up a space to use as a photography darkroom. Well done and thanks for all your hard work.

Fab

- My daughter has just started Year 7 and is buzzing about learning. She always has so much to tell me about her school day. Also on a separate note the school photographer is fantastic; natural and happy photos!
- The Year 10 Information evening was the best I have ever been to. Thank you to all the staff who gave up their evening to help us help our children through their GCSEs.
- Great to hear you are still visited by the drug detection dog and hope this is a regular thing.

- Some things that really stood out was that despite the school being knocked down, class rooms were clean, tidy and some wonderful learning wall displays. The school had a love and character feel about it and staff everywhere in and out of classrooms were all very friendly. This is the place for us.
- Our son enjoys assemblies. To have an assembly this week that was focused on the students understanding the reasons behind some of your rules and expectations and how these rules have helped the school on its upward trajectory in the last few years and then to send a powerpoint home about this was just brilliant to help all know why rules are important for everyone to follow and uphold.
- Rain or shine, they are at it again! Walking on route with the students after school to ensure they are safe. Thank you.

Drab

- There are still no explanations when my child gets an achievement point. He can't even tell me why he got a point most of the time...could the teachers put a couple of words when they give those points out please?
I will remind staff to do this, thank you.
- Would it be possible to look into a school bag that is waterproof and of good quality, rather than sourcing a bag that is good quality and a waterproof cover for the bag that is separate?
We have ordered a better quality bag and are waiting for them to be stocked in the shop, as soon as they arrive I will send out a schoolcomms.
- Could all the school books have a plastic protective cover on them rather than just some of them, as the school bags are not waterproof.
Year 7 are all provided with book covers, however, unfortunately we cannot afford to do this throughout the school. Please do feel free to provide your own covers.
- We are informed our children's tutors are always late everyday AM and PM. Surely this is not good as tutor time is just as important as any other and whilst they are late our children are waiting in the cold and rain!
Please email me separately so I can understand who this is and deal with it.
- Great so many after school clubs are available but why does music not hold lunch or after school classes for Year 7s or other years?
Our main music teacher is currently very pregnant and has had to reduce some of the additional commitments. Closer to Christmas I am hoping that we can start these up again.
- Teachers shouldn't be able to put homework on SMHW on a Sunday (stating that it was set on a previous day) and making it due on Monday! My son goes to his Dad's every other weekend and unless the homework is showing before he leaves on a Saturday I cannot make sure he has the correct books and information with him to complete his homework in time. This has just happened and he will now be struggling to learn his French in time.
I am very sorry to hear this, I will of course ask staff to be mindful.

Staff member of the week

Mr Boucher	For being an amazing PE teacher and an amazing Assistant Head of Year.
Miss Bunkell	She is a really nice history teacher and always helps me.
Miss Appleton	A nice tutor, funny and caring and good french teacher.
Mr Mullet	The best tutor I've ever had. Actually talks to us like we're adults.
Mrs Raby	Always being a positive, happy and encouraging teacher! She has been very useful and caring to all of Year 7.
Mr Duffy	He is an absolutely awesome teacher and he is so kind and fun and is very helpful in lessons. He is always in a good mood even though he is going through the struggles of leading Sixth Form.
Mrs Duffy	She has been kind and helpful to everyone and she is an excellent Dance teacher.
Mrs Clark	Thank you for always being there for us in tricky times. You always make us laugh and encourage us to be the best we can be. Have fun while you don't have to deal with us but we'll miss you! Good luck and thank you for being a fantastic tutor. Love 8R.

Quote of the week:

'Contenders practice until they get it right. Champions practice until they cannot get it wrong.'

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes.

Jane Coley, Headteacher

What's on next week

Tuesday 8 th October	: Geography Fieldtrip
	: Microsoft Mock Interviews for Year 13
Thursday 10 th October	: World Mental Health Day
	: Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening, 4-7pm
Friday 11 th October	: What Careers trip for Year 12

Fundraising – BBC Radio Berkshire and BBC News

Please click here to see our fundraising video on YouTube: [Brakenhale Unlocking Potential Fundraising Video](#)

Please click here to see our BBC News film: [Brakenhale School on BBC News](#)

New fundraising page: [Virginmoneygiving](#)

Brakenhale's all-things fundraising/new build webpage: <https://brakenhale.co.uk/about/new-build/>

**Excellence in Sport**

Huge congratulations to Hope L in Year 9 who won Gold last weekend to become the new Welsh Tae Kwon-Do champion, together with a bronze in the patterns category – well done.

THRIVE

THRIVE! is a national initiative to set up local websites with information on mental health etc. that can be accessed by children, parents and carers. BFBC ran an Art competition last year as they want the front of their website to feature purpose made art – our talent at Brakenhale meant we won a lot of the categories!

Katherine Davies, Public Health Programme Officer for Bracknell Forest Council, came into school on Wednesday to present the certificates to the winners of their THRIVE! art competition from last term.

Well done to Maryam, Eva, Ella-Mae, Erica, Brook, Sean and Charlie.

Miss T Wilhelmy, Teacher in Charge of Art & Photography



Sixth Form Painters

A number of my wonderful Year 13s helped today in creating a space for a photography darkroom. They organised paint and rollers, brought painting clothes in and spent their free periods plus several hours after school to repaint the room. They have also committed to setting up the room tomorrow so that they are ready to start their darkroom unit next week.

Thanks to Harrison H, Jade D, Megan L and Liv H, and a big thank you to Mr Helyer who donated the paint and even came in after school to help finish the painting.

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Geography Fieldtrip

On Monday 30th September and Tuesday 1st October 113 Year 11 students braved the weather to go to the coast to complete their geographical fieldwork for their GCSE.

Students were immaculately behaved and a real credit to the school.

Students were gathering data to prove if longshore drift was occurring along the coastline at Barton-on-Sea. Students collected data from various different sites along the beach measuring the pebble size whilst throwing an orange in and timing the time it took to move 10 metres down the beach.

Due to the conditions a few oranges were lost but at least they will provide some food for some fish and not damage the oceans with plastic. It did shine for the majority of the trip which was a real bonus with the current weather forecasts!

A real highlight of the trip was to see some students who had never been to the coast able to see it in all of its glory and even have a sneaky go at some stone skimming to boot!

The geography department look forward to running many more trips in the future and wish future students to be as brilliant as the year 11's were on this trip.

Mr M Cooper, Head of Geography



Dungeons and Dragons

There's no doubt – Winter is coming.

As the citizens of Braken Vale get set to pack and move, the clouds are getting darker, the fog a little thicker and the rain hammers down drowning the cries of despair.

Plaintively looking out of the broken windows the tribes of Jennet, Temple, Farley and Swinley look to the heavens and wonder:

Where have all the halflings gone and where are all the elves?

Where are the streetwise rangers please, they've left us on the shelves.

Isn't there a fighter that rides across the stream?

Every night we cry and we cry but no one hears our pleas...we need some heroes!

Can that hero be you? Help change Winter to Spring before it's too late.

Your Dungeon Master needs you to ward off the evil threatening to engulf us – only the bravest will survive.

Dungeons and Dragons Club: E11 – Thursdays from 3:05pm

We will train you

We will equip you

You will be the hero we need.

Winter is coming

Mrs Cresswell, Dungeon Master

The Great Brakenhale Bake Off supporting Macmillan Cancer Support

This week: Danish

A range of delicious pastries with a variety of fillings were on offer this week from Mr George, Mrs Keljarrett, Mr Vegh and Miss Douse.



Thank you so much for the fantastic contributions this week. Overall winner for the Danish Pastry heat was Mr George's Danish Pastries. The pastry was light and flaky and melted in your mouth with delicious flavouring. The shaping of the pastry was good too.

Everyone has been amazingly generous supporting this endeavour and we are looking forward to our final SHOW STOPPER BAKE OFF on Tuesday 8th October. The contestants have put so much effort into this so we are hoping that as many staff as possible will join us for the final judging and tasting, with their pennies to donate too of course!

To remind you, the Show Stopper contenders are: Mrs McCrorie, Mrs Fotheringham, Mrs Lawes and Mr George.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Thank you very much to everyone for your generosity, many staff and students enjoyed the cakes last Friday.

The coffee morning raised a great total which is still growing so we will confirm next week.

Thank you for all of your support.

BE PART OF THE ROYALS FAMILY

SCHOOLS & GRASSROOTS TICKETING SCHEME

BRAKENHALE

BRAKENHALE has teamed up with Reading FC to bring you the magic of football and matchdays with special ticket prices starting from as low as £2 per person. Buy your ticket and enjoy a day at Madejski Stadium.

What's more, by purchasing a ticket through this scheme, your School will receive 25% cashback, and go in with a chance to win:

- 🎟️ A player visit for your School
- 🎟️ An invitation to an exclusive Meet the Players Evening
- 🎟️ Signed merchandise and lots more

OUR FIXTURES

LUTON TOWN Sat 9 th Nov, 3pm Booking deadline: Thu 27 Nov, 3pm	Coupon code: BHS-1920-1
DERBY COUNTY Sat 21 st Dec, 5pm Booking deadline: Thu 13 th Dec, 5pm	Coupon code: BHS-1920-2
NOTTINGHAM FOREST Sat 11 th Jan, 5pm Booking deadline: Thu 26 Jan, 5pm	Coupon code: BHS-1920-3
BRENTFORD Sat 21 st Mar, 5pm Booking deadline: Thu 13 th Mar, 5pm	Coupon code: BHS-1920-4
SWANSEA CITY Sat 2 nd May, 12:30pm Booking deadline: Thu 26 Apr, 5pm	Coupon code: BHS-1920-5

TICKET PRICES per person

Adults	£15
65 and over	£10
18-24	£8
11 and Under	£5
12 and Under	£2

TO BUY

- 📄 Visit ticketing.readingfc.co.uk and enter the coupon code at checkout to redeem the offer and secure your ticket
- 📞 Contact our Ticket Office on 0118 968 1313

Please ensure you buy before the listed deadline

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High Expectations and Challenge

6th FORM

WHERE FUTURES ARE MADE

Information Evening for Courses 2020-22

Thursday 7th November

6.30pm to 8pm

The continued resurgence of Brakenhale Sixth Form has been confirmed by the most recent A-Level and BTEC results. In every single measure there has been an increase in attainment and progress.

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Year 10 and 11 French and Spanish Students...

LEAGUE OF CHAMPIONS

2019

We have entered the Vocab Express World Competition...

You must get AS MANY POINTS AS POSSIBLE

between **Wednesday 9th October** (starting at 9:00am)

and **Wednesday 15th October** (closing at 15:00pm)

Brakenhale needs you!

Prizes:

- Provided by Vocab Express at the end of the competition.
- 5 House Points for the top 3 in each year group.
- The person who gains the most points from Year 10 and Year 11 will win a prize in the form of sweets / chocolate from Mrs Hughes as well as 10 House Points.

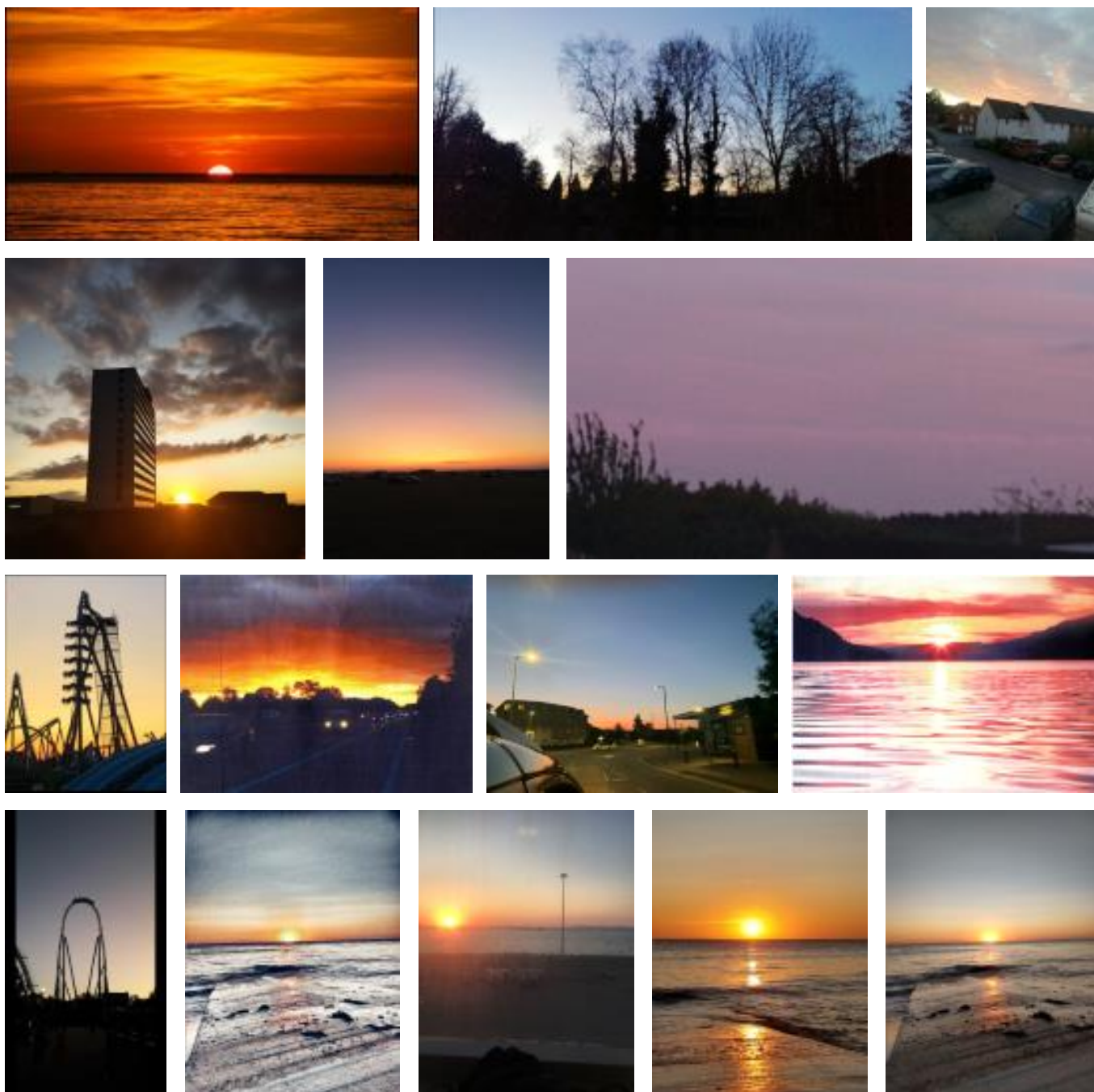
Contact Mrs Hughes for more details..

Camera Club Update

In a week of what felt like endless rain and cloud-filled skies, the members of Camera Club still managed to find beautiful sunsets (and in one case, a sunrise!). We had a range of glorious colours, so feast your eyes on the submissions from: Alannah G, Amber W, Dan F, Eva H, Izzie C, Jorja H, Liam M, Oliver M, Owen G, Riley B and Taylor P.

The theme for next week is Reflections. This could be reflections in puddles (should be easy to find!), reflections in windows or mirrors (this led to a discussion about GDPR and photographic permissions) or other shiny surfaces. For example, Owen G managed to catch a reflection of the sunset in the car at the bottom left of his photograph.

Camera Club is on a Monday lunchtime in B17 and all years are welcome.



Miss T Wilhelmy, Teacher in Charge of Art & Photography

What Career Live – Autism @ the Disability Support Hub

So you are leaving school – what next?

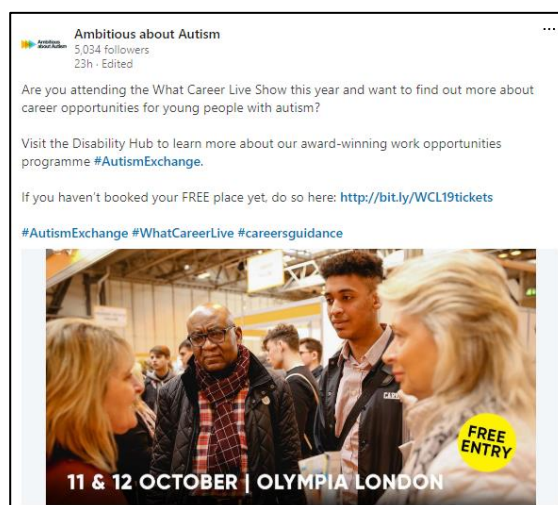
Meet the UK’s top employers and universities in London – 11th and 12th October 2019.

At the Disability Support Hub you will be able to speak with an advisor if you have a question about employment support for students with learning difficulties or disabilities.

<https://www.whatcareerlive.co.uk/london>

<https://www.whatcareerlive.co.uk/disability-support-hub-london>

https://www.linkedin.com/posts/ambitious-about-autism_autismexchange-autismexchange-whatcareerlive-activity-6584769031855763456-UBQ7



Performing Arts

Extra Curricular Dance Timetable 2019

Starting from Monday 16th September



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break time	Open for rehearsals all years	Year 9 -13 rehearsals	Open for rehearsals all years	Year 9 -13 rehearsals	Closed
Lunch time	Open for rehearsals all years	Year 9 -13 rehearsals	Open for rehearsals all years	Year 9 -13 rehearsals	DARK MATTER
After School 3:05 MS	STREET C⁰. (MS) Charley, Tiegan, Dani & Macey Open to all years DARK MATTER (JNS) Dance Company & Lauren	DANCE CLUB (JNS) Emily Open to Year 7	EVOLUTION Dance Company (MS) Mrs Duffy, Jack, Zac, Ethan & Teddy Year 7 Boys	AURORA Dance Company (JNS) Mrs Duffy & Ellie Open to Year 8	Free fall Dance Company (MS) Mrs Duffy Year 10 - 13 Dance

Mrs Duffy, Head of Performing Arts

PE Update

Y8 Rugby - Edgbarrow Competition

13 of our Year 8 boys took to the Edgbarrow playing fields this week to take part in the first of three Bracknell schools rugby competitions this season. All boys played their hearts out and were a genuine credit to the school.

Our first game against Garth ended up in a draw and was a game played with excellent levels of physicality. In our second game against Edgbarrow we came together as a team and secured the ball well but a couple of missed tackles allowed the opposition to score and again the match ended in a draw. Our final game against Sandhurst started with a superb try from Lenny W as he powered through the centre of the pitch to put down. However with some smart play from Sandhurst they piped us at the final whistle beating us by one try.



The spirit of rugby played by all 4 schools was superb and we are looking forward to two weeks' time when we attend the Sandhurst competition, then 2 weeks after that at home, when we host here at Rectory Lane.

A big thank you also must go to the parents who came to support us, this was fantastic to see and you are always welcome to attend and cheer us on.

Team as follows: Lenny W, Kaia K, Reubin C, Jason T, Mason S, Brayden N, Sean H, Taylor C (C), Charlie H, Rylley T, Mark L, Oliver A, James N.

Make sure you are all still attending extra-curricular clubs as the reward trip will be announced soon and we have lots of fixtures coming up!

Year 9 - 11 Boys Rugby Coaching Programme

We have a strong link with London Irish Rugby Club and as part of a programme of developing sport at Brakenhale, we have a professional rugby coaching programme that we would like to offer to our boys in Years 9-11.

Sessions take place from 3.30pm - 4.30pm on a Thursday after school and start next week, 26th September 2019.

The sessions are based on developing the core skills of rugby and at the same time allowing our young rugby players to nurture and develop their own game with professional coaches. All coaches are fully qualified, DBS checked and first aid trained. Boys need their full Brakenhale PE kit (Brakenhale Rugby shirts), studded boots, gumshield and a water bottle. A light sports jacket or a Brakenhale training top would be ideal as the weather starts to turn. Brakenhale PE staff will also be on hand to assist with the session.

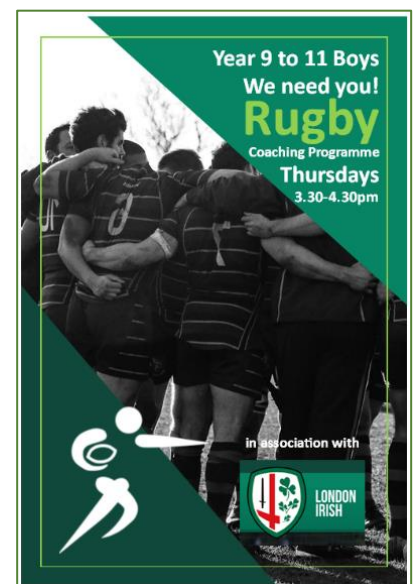
[If your son would like to take part, can you please confirm by clicking here.](#)

Many thanks and I look forward to seeing the boys on the field.

ME in PE

Your son/daughter will be assessed in 4 major areas, 2 per term, each known as a 'ME in PE'. These are:

- Physical ME (assessed every term (1, 2, 3), all throughout out the year)
- Social ME (assessed term 1 - September to December)
- Thinking ME (assessed term 2 - January to March)
- Leading ME (assessed term 3 - April to July)



ME in PE Assessment criteria

‘ME in PE’

PHYSICAL	
1	Executes the correct technical model for core skills in an isolated situation
2	Works in lesson to show effects of short term exercise on the body
3	Takes part in a tactical scenario set up and delivered by the teacher
4	Executes the correct technical model for advanced skills in an isolated situation
5	Executes the correct technical model for core skills in a conditioned situation
6	Works in lesson to show effects of steady state exercise on the body
7	Takes part in a tactical scenario taught by the teacher
8	Executes the correct technical model for advanced skills in a conditioned situation
9	Executes the correct technical model for core skills in a fully competitive situation
10	Works in lesson to show the effects of long term exercise on the body
11	Sets up and takes part in a tactical scenario on own
12	Executes the correct technical model for advanced skills in a fully competitive situation

‘ME in PE’

SOCIAL	
1	Independently gets changed in the changing rooms and takes care of personal belongings
2	Communicates effectively with class teacher
3	Communicates effectively with a single peer (verbally)
4	Communicates effectively with a small group of peers (verbally)
5	Works well on a 1-2-1 basis with others
6	Works well in a small group
7	Works well as part of the whole PE group
8	Communicates effectively with the whole class (verbally)
9	Engages and participates in situations with familiar peers
10	Deals with and manages situations with familiar peers
11	Engages and participates in situations with non-familiar peers
12	Can deal with and manage situations with non-familiar peers

Mr M Potter, Head of PE



P.E. EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
Half Term 1 - 2019-2020

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BEFORE SCHOOL (0710 – 0800) Full kit needed to participate	Fitness Staff only Gym	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 only Gym	Fitness Staff only Gym	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 Only Gym	Fitness Staff only Gym
LUNCH (1300-1330 1315-1345) Trainers only needed to participate	Table Tennis All Years Sports Hall FGR			Indoor Cricket All Years Sports Hall MPO	GCSE PE Revision Year 11 C21 MPO
AFTER SCHOOL (1505-1630) Full kit needed to participate ***4pm for Trampoline***	No clubs due to staff meetings	Rugby (Boys) All years Field JBO MPO CMY Netball (Girls) All years Sports hall/courts LWI/LRU	Rugby (Girls) All years Field FMA Badminton (Mixed) All years Sports Hall CPI 3.30pm start Rugby Fixtures MPO/JBO	Handball (mixed) All years Sports hall MPO Football (Yr 8 and 10 INVITE ONLY) CMY Boxing/Fitness (Boys) All years Gym ABI 3.30pm start	P6 PE Exam Course Study Sessions BTEC L2 and L3 catch up (Y10-13) GCSE Revision (YR 10) A Level PE Revision (Y13) Your PE teacher/s will confirm these sessions, if they apply to you.

Sessions may be postponed on a weekly basis due to staff meetings which take place in line with the school calendar – please check the school weekly bulletin to confirm on a weekly basis.

All of these sessions are open, with all students in the listed year groups welcome.

AM Sessions are only for certain students (KS4&5) and only certain mornings – please draw this to their attention

Mobile devices

Could we please ask parents to remind students that mobile phones must not be used on the school site at all, this goes for before and after the school bell, and is applicable to Sixth Form students too.



Anyone seen using mobile devices contrary to school guidance will be logged.

Lost Property

We would like to remind you that we have a member of staff who has a specific role in overseeing lost property. They are situated in Head of Year office and we have set up an email address - lostproperty@brakenhale.co.uk - for all queries. It is very important that **all items of school uniform are named**. Thank you to those parents who are helping us in this way, as if named items are lost they can instantly be returned to our students.

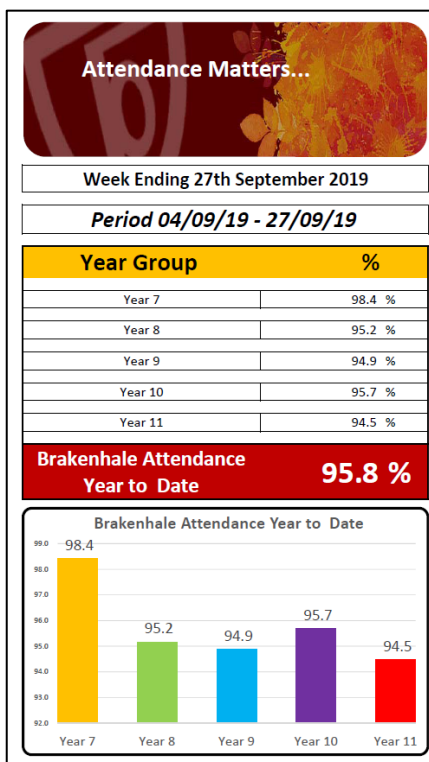
Lost property currently have a large amount of un-named and un-claimed items (clothes, uniform, cycle helmets, water bottles and jewellery) which will need to be collected by the end of this half term. Any unclaimed items will be going into the charity bin after half term.

Students who are missing items should visit lost property regularly to check.

Attendance

We believe that high attendance is essential in order for students to make good academic progress and to feel that they are active members of the school community, involved not only in lessons but also in the extra-curricular activities that are so important to their wellbeing. Students can keep track of their attendance in their planner.

Attendance Matters...	
Week Ending 27th September 2019	
Period 23/09/19 - 27/09/19	
Year Group	%
Year 7	97.4 %
Year 8	94.4 %
Year 9	93.6 %
Year 10	94.7 %
Year 11	94.3 %
Brakenhale's Overall Attendance for Period: 23/09/19 - 27/09/19	
	94.9 %
Brakenhale's Overall Attendance Year to Date 04/09/19 - 27/09/19	
	95.8 %



Should you have any questions or wish to discuss any issues that may be preventing regular attendance or causing lateness, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Silvey, Attendance Officer

Fundraising for our new building

Why are we raising money for our new building?

I know that many of you saw the article on the BBC News but if not, you can watch it by clicking on the link:

[BBC News Video](#)

We have a new fundraising page where you can donate money and/or create a fundraising activity. You can find it by clicking on the following link:

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fund/BrakenhaleSchool>

This replaces any of the fundraising pages that we have used previously (eg MyDonate, Just Giving, etc). On the page, you can click on the furniture pictures to donate, or donate any amount by clicking on the 'donors' tab.

Please contact me if you are willing to organise an event or take part in one that is organised by a local/national group (eg sponsored bike ride, running race, car wash, etc). I can help you set up the page, publicise your event, etc. The contact e-mail address has not changed and remains as

fundraising@brakenhale.co.uk

CLOTHING SALE – Thursday 14th November 4pm – 8pm

We need people to donate clothes and help at the event!!!

Please e-mail me at the fundraising address above if you can help on 14th November (setting up in the afternoon or selling during the sale).

Tell your friends and family to donate and/or come along

We are going to hold a second hand clothes sale, selling several categories of clothing, including:

- Jumble
- School uniform
- Designer items
- Shoes, and
- Home textiles

In order to support us, please could you put aside any clothes, shoes (women's, men's and children's), or home textiles (curtains, bed-linen, cushions, etc.) that you no longer wear or use. The items should be wearable, without holes or broken fastenings – the type that you would donate to a charity shop. You can bring sacks of clothing in to the school reception from Monday 11th November. If you have items that you are willing to donate, but are unable to store until then, please e-mail me and I will arrange to store elsewhere. Similarly, if you have items to donate but cannot bring them in, please e-mail me as we may be able to arrange collection.

I have already been given some evening wear that you will want for Christmas parties.

ROTARY CLUB CHRISTMAS DRAW

We are going to take part in the draw again this year, after being so successful last year. The prizes have increased in value to

1st Prize £500

2nd Prize £250

10 prizes of £100

5 prizes of £50

We will send one book (5 tickets) home with each student in Years 7, 8 and 9 and hope that you will support us by selling to friends and family. If you do not want your child to be issued with the books, please let me know by e-mailing fundraising@brakenhale.co.uk, naming your child and tutor group. If you are a parent of a student in the older year groups and are willing to help, please e-mail me with your child's name and tutor group and the number of books that you think you could sell.

Let's make this run up to the move to the new building very successful with our fundraising!!!


With thanks,

Karen Roche, Chair of Governors

fundraising@brakenhale.co.uk



School Dining Hall



The Brakenhale School

Autumn Term : WEEK COMMENCING : 16 Sept, 7 Oct

Week 3	Meat Free MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Hot Main Meal	Vegetarian Pasta Bar	British Farm Assured Chicken Tikka Masala,	British Farm Assured Honey Roast Gammon, Yorkshire Pudding	British Farm Assured Beef Bolognaise	MSC (Marine Stewardship Council) Battered Fish Chicken Nuggets
Hot Vegetarian Meal (V)	Roasted Peppers & Feta Cheese	Vegetable Curry	Chilli Beans Rice	Vegetable Burrito	Roasted Vegetable Pizza
Carbohydrate	Garlic Bread Green Salad	Naan Bread Pilaf Rice	Roast Potatoes	Spaghetti Garlic Bread	Chunky Chips
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Broccoli and Cauliflower	Seasonal Vegetables	Sweetcorn or Mixed Salad	Garden Peas Baked Beans
Pudding	Fruit Crumble and Custard	Strawberry Cheesecake	Banana Cake and Custard	Flapjack	Fruit Jelly

We have available every day:

- Salad bar where you build your own salad
- Chef's Soup of the Day with Homemade bread (F)
- Fruit Jellies, Yoghurt Pots and Fruit Salads (F)

(V) Suitable for Vegetarians
(F) Fresh Produce in our Kitchen

All our menus are nutritionally analysed to ensure they meet and in most cases exceed The School Food Standards

We use locally sourced ingredients when available and in season

Brakenhale School		Price	
		Regular	Large
MEALS			
Main Meal		£2.10	
Meal Deal (main meal + drink or pudding)		£2.50	
Soup of the Day		£1.05	
Soup with Bread Roll		£1.25	
Jacket Potato + 1 Filling		£1.25	
Jacket Potato + 2 Filling		£1.60	
Salad Pot		£1.25	£2.00
Pasta King		£1.30	£2.00
Yogurt Bar		£1.25	£2.00
Fruit Salad / Cold Dessert / Jelly Pot		£1.00	
Hot Pudding		£0.75	
SNACKS			
Pizza		£1.20	
Paninis		£1.80	
Beef / Chicken / Veggie Burger		£1.55	
Hot Wraps		£1.55	
Chicken Nuggets / Popcorn		£1.55	
Hot Dogs		£1.55	
Lamb Kebab		£1.55	
Bagels		£1.55	
Chicken Wings Pot		£1.55	
Potato Wedges		£0.80	
Waffles		£0.60	
Cookies		£0.50	
DRINKS			
Cold Drinks Range	From	£0.50	to £0.80
Hot Drinks		£1.00	
Frutina		£0.80	£1.00
Ice Cream / Lollies		£0.50	

Taz Asran, Chef Manager - kitchen@brakenhale.co.uk

Feedback Initiative

We would encourage you to submit your views and feedback at any time, and we look forward to hearing from you regularly.

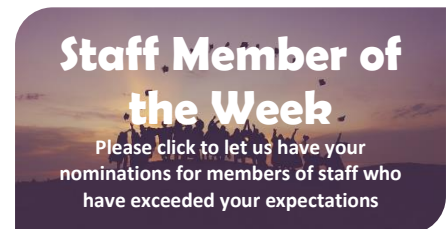
Electronic submission:



[Fab](#)



[Drab](#)



[Staff Member of the Week](#)

Lost Property

Have you lost something? Don't forget...



Email us on the address below and we will endeavour to locate the item and return it to you as soon as possible. We have a member of staff who has a specific role in overseeing lost property and she will do her best to help.

Email : lostproperty@brakenhale.co.uk

Please make sure your items are named so that we can return them promptly.

Brakenhale School Lottery

Congratulations to the prize draw winners.

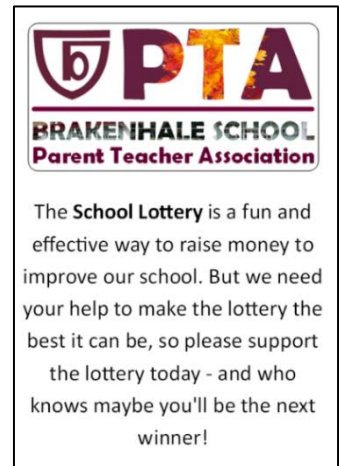
Thank you to everyone who has signed up to our school lottery. We are continually looking to increase new members each month, so if you have not signed up yet now is your chance to do this.

There is a weekly draw in which you could win a prize (approximately £20 depending on participants, which increases the more members we have). Plus you have a weekly chance to win up to £25,000.

There is also a chance to win restaurant vouchers this summer.

Click on the link today and join up: [Support the Brakenhale Lottery](#)

You have to be in it to win it.



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You can also install their Donation Reminder - this means a box will appear if you are shopping with a retailer who participates in the Donation Reminder and you don't even need to visit the easyfundraising site! All you need to do is click Activate Donations and any eligible purchase will be recorded for you. Take a look at the Donation Reminder [here](#). The Donation Reminder is supported by Chrome, Firefox, Internet Explorer and Safari but can't work on mobile phones or tablets.

Shopping on your mobile? No problem, for mobile phones and tablets there is the handy easyfundraising App, perfect if you like to shop on the go and available completely free of charge from your App store. Now you can not only shop using it but you can check out your own donation total and see how your cause is getting on too. More information can be found [here](#).



Events and Notices

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Weekend Astro Pitch Deal



Brakenhale School would like to offer local sports clubs reduced weekend rates on our sand filled astro pitch. We offer Half and Full pitch rentals

Please Contact:
apecock@brakenhale.co.uk
to find out more!

NOS National Online Safety

7 questions to help you start a conversation with your child about online safety

#WhatsUpWednesday

- Which apps/games are you using at the moment?**
Do you know how to report someone if you see something that's not right? Do you know how to block someone if they're bothering you? Do you know how to delete something if it's not what you want? Do you know how to report something if it's not what you want?
- Which websites do you enjoy using and why?**
Do you know how to report someone if you see something that's not right? Do you know how to block someone if they're bothering you? Do you know how to delete something if it's not what you want? Do you know how to report something if it's not what you want?
- How does this game/app work? Can I play?**
Do you know how to report someone if you see something that's not right? Do you know how to block someone if they're bothering you? Do you know how to delete something if it's not what you want? Do you know how to report something if it's not what you want?
- Do you have any online friends?**
Do you know how to report someone if you see something that's not right? Do you know how to block someone if they're bothering you? Do you know how to delete something if it's not what you want? Do you know how to report something if it's not what you want?
- Do you know where to go for help?**
Do you know how to report someone if you see something that's not right? Do you know how to block someone if they're bothering you? Do you know how to delete something if it's not what you want? Do you know how to report something if it's not what you want?
- Do you know what your personal information is?**
Do you know how to report someone if you see something that's not right? Do you know how to block someone if they're bothering you? Do you know how to delete something if it's not what you want? Do you know how to report something if it's not what you want?
- Do you know your limits?**
Do you know how to report someone if you see something that's not right? Do you know how to block someone if they're bothering you? Do you know how to delete something if it's not what you want? Do you know how to report something if it's not what you want?

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text YM to 85258

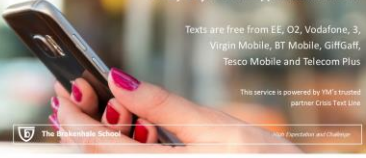
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Future Diary Dates

* Please note that all events may be subject to change

Tuesday 15 th October	:	Shakespeare in Schools dress rehearsal
Friday 18 th October	:	Staff Football match
Monday 28 th October	:	Half Term

Term Dates

Term Dates 2019-20

AUTUMN TERM 2019

Term dates for students:

(Inset Days: Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September)

Wednesday 4th September to Friday 13th December

Autumn Half Term – Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November

Last day of Autumn Term for students – Friday 13th December

(Inset Day: Monday 16th December)

Christmas Holiday: Tuesday 17th December to Wednesday 8th January 2020 *

**Extra school closure days in December and January for the transition into the new building*

SPRING TERM 2020

Term dates for students:

Thursday 9th January to Friday 3rd April

Spring Half Term – Monday 17th to Friday 21st February

Last day of Spring Term for students – Friday 3rd April

Easter Holiday: Monday 6th April to Friday 17th April

(Good Friday 10th April, Easter Monday 13th April)

SUMMER TERM 2020

Term dates for students:

Monday 20th April to Friday 17th July

Summer Half Term – Monday 25th to Friday 29th May

(Bank Holiday – Friday 8th May and Monday 25th May)

Last day of Summer Term for students – Friday 17th July

(Inset Days: Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st July)

Bracknell Forest term dates can be found on their website:

<https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/term-dates>



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