



**Parent News: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, I would like to again extend my gratitude to you for all your support, particularly at the start of the week when we were notified of a case of Covid in Year 11. As parents you have shown immense understanding and this has enabled students who can come to school to do so and those in isolation to continue with their studies virtually. We know this is an unsettling time, but as a school community we have again shown how strong we are.

This week I had the pleasure of a personal conversation with the local MP and officials in his office who expressed their support for the school as a whole and also how impressed they were at our ongoing high levels of achievement in all areas. James Sunderland, our MP, has also confirmed his visit to the school as part of the 11<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Day events; as an ex member of the military he is very impressed with our CCF and is keen to see it in action.

Students continue to show real resilience and engagement in their lessons and every day I feel proud of the way they are focusing on what really matters: their learning. Yesterday, I ate lunch with Year 7s in the dining hall and it was a pleasure to listen to them chat so animatedly about everything they love at #teambrokenhale.

It would appear that the winter season is now beginning to be upon us so can I just remind you all that students will need a plain black coat to wear to school, if like me they are feeling the cold!

**Student of the week:**

- Callum Bartaby and Jeremiasz Habram in Year 7: off their own back requesting to litter pick each lunchtime.
- Luke Hope in Year 8: for showing immense kindness in supporting another student on a daily basis.

**Fab:**

- Thank you to the lost property department. Instant response during an evening, items found and delivered within a couple of days.
- Parents' newsletter is a great read with such a variety of things from everyone, useful information for all and reminders.
- Having a stationery shop within the school is a huge help to us parents. On top of this my children got a community point for being polite when they purchased items, they don't get that in town! Thank you for providing these services Brakenhale.

**Staff member of the week:**

Miss Wilson Professional whilst genuinely caring and considerate. Made me feel like my concern was top of the agenda and dealt with in the best way possible, thank you Miss Wilson.

**Quote of the week:**

*I attribute my success to this: 'I never gave or took any excuse.'* - Florence Nightingale.

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes

*Jane Coley, Headteacher*

## What's on next week

This year we have a 2 week timetable so there will be a week A and a week B.

### Next Week: A

Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> /Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Expedition and Silver/Gold Practice
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## Child Employment

Bracknell Forest have sent us information about student rights and what the Law says in relation to working hours and practices. We have sent this information out to parents and students via schoolcomms.

Children are allowed to work from the age of 13 until the end of Compulsory school age. All children in this age range need a work permit to work and are governed by strict Laws on hours of work and types of work permitted. For Year 11s, they will need a work permit until the last Friday in June 2021, even if they have turned 16. If any are currently working without a work permit then they won't be covered by their employer's insurance and their employer can be prosecuted, so they may want to address this with their employer; work permits are free. It is important that if students decide they want to work part time that they are properly looked after and their employers work within the law.

For more information please contact the Child Employment & Entertainment Officer, Education Welfare Service, People Directorate, Bracknell Forest Council: [www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk](http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk)

Tel: 01344 464714 / Email: Child.Employment@bracknell-forest.gov.uk

## Applying for Secondary School 2021

As you are most likely aware the process to apply for secondary school for Year 7 in September 2021 is now open until Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020.

Please see the useful links below:

*Applying for Secondary School:*

[www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/applyforsecondary](http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/applyforsecondary)

[www.facebook.com/bracknellforestcouncil/](https://www.facebook.com/bracknellforestcouncil/)

*School Admissions, Bracknell Forest Council:*

[school.admissions@bracknell-forest.gov.uk](mailto:school.admissions@bracknell-forest.gov.uk)

[www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

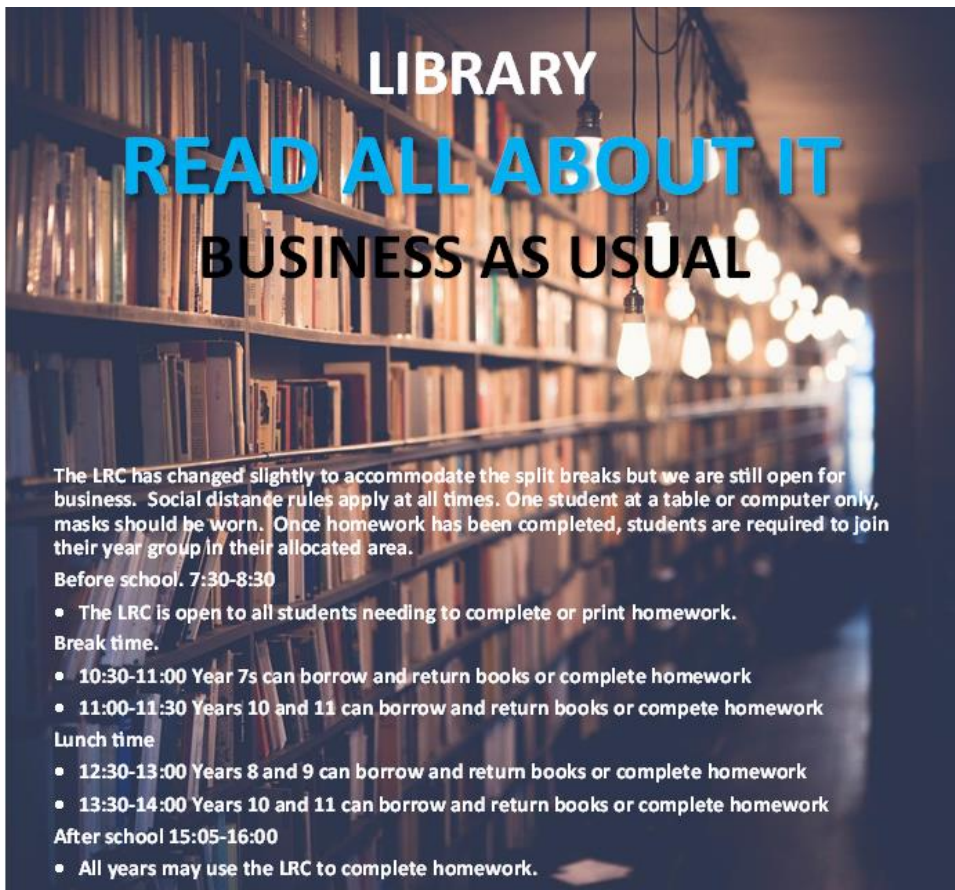
Phone lines are open weekdays between 8.30am - 12.00pm



### Open Evening Virtual Information

- ▶ [Headteacher's Live Stream](#)
- ▶ [Department Information Video](#)
- ▶ [Virtual School Tour](#)





**LIBRARY**  
**READ ALL ABOUT IT**  
**BUSINESS AS USUAL**

The LRC has changed slightly to accommodate the split breaks but we are still open for business. Social distance rules apply at all times. One student at a table or computer only, masks should be worn. Once homework has been completed, students are required to join their year group in their allocated area.

**Before school. 7:30-8:30**

- The LRC is open to all students needing to complete or print homework.

**Break time.**

- 10:30-11:00 Year 7s can borrow and return books or complete homework
- 11:00-11:30 Years 10 and 11 can borrow and return books or complete homework

**Lunch time**

- 12:30-13:00 Years 8 and 9 can borrow and return books or complete homework
- 13:30-14:00 Years 10 and 11 can borrow and return books or complete homework

**After school 15:05-16:00**

- All years may use the LRC to complete homework.

## EAL Department

The EAL Department (English as an Additional Language)...is back up and running!

Catering for a variety of learners, the EAL department offers support to students with varying levels of proficiency in the English Language, aiding in accessibility and promoting achievement and independence.

We offer support to students of different cultural and linguistic backgrounds as they work towards proficiency in English, while following the mainstream curriculum.

Our main aim is to enable EAL students to access the national curriculum in all subjects by:

- Developing the students' skills in English
- Helping students to become independent learners
- Assisting students in gaining knowledge and skills which will enrich their personal and professional lives
- Helping them to integrate into the new community
- Building their confidence in the mainstream classroom

All EAL students are supported in exams with bilingual dictionaries and those eligible are granted extra time for use.

Support sessions for consultations are now open to all students who are interested in Heritage Languages GCSEs available with exam boards.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the EAL Team.

Look forward to hearing from you.

*Miss I Cmok, EAL Coordinator*



## Vaccination Consent

The immunisation service have been receiving a high number of queries and emails from schools forwarding contacts from parents who do not wish for their children to be vaccinated. Whilst this is something they previously accepted they are now unable to take a non-consent unless the parent/carer completes an electronic consent form to state non-consent.

All of the consent process and recording is now electronic and is forwarded electronically to the child health information service. In order for non-consent to be recorded they ask parents to complete their child's details and select their consent decision – this will then prevent them contacting them as a non-consent.

Parents are signposted to the relevant electronic consent form for each programme, along with the school code to complete.

*School Aged Immunisation Team*

Immunisation Team (term time only): 0300 365 0077

Generic Team Email (Term time only): [Schoolimmunisationteam@berkshire.nhs.uk](mailto:Schoolimmunisationteam@berkshire.nhs.uk)

## Drama Clubs

We have 2 new exciting Drama clubs starting after half term:



*Miss Cullip, Drama*

## PE Update

### Year 11 PE

As a department we would like to give a HUGE shout out to our Year 11 students! It has been a pleasure to teach them so far this year and have them down in PE taking part in their lessons and enjoying themselves in the subject. I am yet to speak to them all in assembly, but to see them engaging and being active at school, whilst showing fantastic kit standards and behaviour is a real credit to themselves, their pastoral year team and their parents and carers at home.

The benefits of taking part in PE go way beyond those learning objectives, drills and skills in lessons... it is all about engaging in something which is active and getting your body moving to balance those stress levels and academic pressures of secondary school. Currently on cricket, rounders and athletics, Year 11 are enjoying some summer activities in some great summer weather... lets hope it continues for a bit longer!



Thank you year 11.... keep up the great work!



### REMINDERS!!!!

- Please bring a signed and dated note from parents/carers if you cannot do PE. Sick or fit, still **BRING** your kit.
- Label your kit (name tags, sew or write initials).
- Get changed in your own space with your own kit.
- Do not bring in valuables, we do not take responsibility for them. Jewelry and watches are NOT to be worn.

If you have any questions please email Mr Potter: [mpotter@brakenhale.co.uk](mailto:mpotter@brakenhale.co.uk)

 <b>BRAKENHALE PE CLUBS</b> Half Term 1 2020-2021 						
MON	TUE (3:15-4:30)		WED	THURS (3:15-4:30)		FRI (3:05-4:00)
STAFF MEETINGS - NO CLUBS RUN (ALL PE staff)	Y7 Boys: Activity - football Staff - JBO Location - astro 1 Changing - sports hall boys  Girls: Activity - netball Staff - LWI Location - sports hall Changing - sports hall girls	Y8 Boys: Activity - football Staff - MPO Location - astro 2 Changing - dance boys  Girls: Activity - netball Staff - LRU Location - courts Changing - dance girls	CLEANING AND STOCK CHECK OF ALL PE KIT/EQUIPMENT (ALL PE staff)	Y9 Boys: Activity - football Staff - CMY Location - astro 1 Changing - sports hall boys  Girls: Activity - netball Staff - ABT Location - sports hall Changing - sports hall girls	Y10 Boys: Activity - football Staff - JSP/CCO Location - astro 2 Changing - dance boys  Girls: Activity - netball Staff - KWI Location - courts Changing - dance girls	EXAM PE REVISION CLASSES AND END OF WEEK STOCK CHECK AND CLEAN OF PE KIT (ALL PE staff)
	Clubs may be cancelled due to staff meetings or calendared events. We will send a schools comms home to inform parents.					
<b>Follow @brakenhalepe - on twitter and instagram!</b>						

**Assessment: 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, 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)

*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

**PE CHAMPIONS OF THE WEEK**

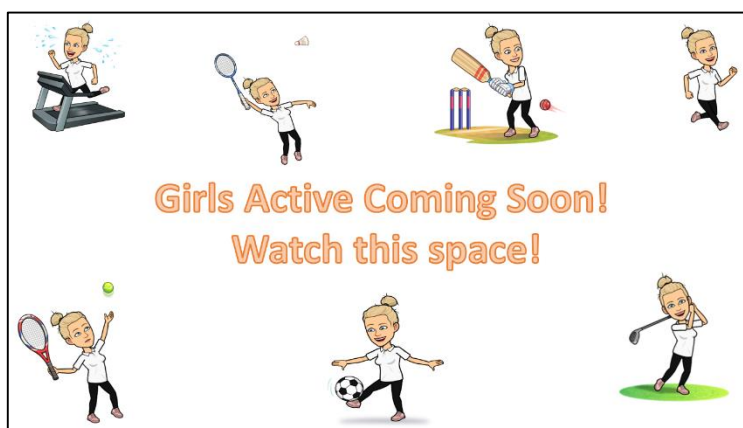
Week of: 21/9/20



Staff	Student	Tutor
Mr Potter	Reece Allen	9K
Miss Willimott	Gracy Marinova	9N
Mr Maye	Ashton Smith	7K
Mr Boucher	Mason Slade	11B
Miss Rushby	Joshua Rudge	10H
Ms Wilson	Kacper Miskiewicz	8E
Miss Butler	Aimee Wilson	7A

**Well done!**

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Mr M Potter, Head of PE

On Twitter & Instagram: @brakenhalepe

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## Life Skills Courses

CAP is a charity that supports families who are struggling with debt or unemployment. It supports people to help break free from habits or learning new life skills. If you are living in debt and would like to join a course there is an online Life Skills course being run by Janine Jackson, from Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September to the end of November, 10am to 11.30am



To book on this go to the Kerith Community Church website: [www.kerith.church](http://www.kerith.church) - where under courses, you can sign up under the REVIVE section: <https://www.kerith.church/new-to-church/revive-projects>

They are offering technical support to anyone who may need it if going online is a barrier.

## Face Masks

Thank you for ensuring that your child has a face mask with them at school as it is compulsory they are worn in all school corridors.

Your continued support at this challenging time is much appreciated.



## Reminders



### Lost Property

Please can we kindly remind all parents and students to name all items, including uniform, PE kits, water bottles, pencil cases, other tools for learning - EVERYTHING.

We have a member of staff dedicated to reuniting lost property with owners and she endeavours to return items daily. However, she is unable to return items to students without a name and items will be disposed of at regular intervals. Email: [lostproperty@brakenhale.co.uk](mailto:lostproperty@brakenhale.co.uk)

All items of unnamed lost property will be given to charity at the end of term unless they have been collected.

### Chewing Gum

We would like to remind you that chewing gum is not permitted on the school site, sanctions will be issued if this is not adhered to.

### Water Bottles

It is important that students stay hydrated. You can buy Brakenhale water bottles from school or bring in a reuseable bottle from home.

### Tools for Learning

Student Tools for Learning are sold by Mrs McCrorie from the Head of Year office on the first floor.

Tools for Learning are available to purchase before school from 8.20am to 8.35am and then during tutor time until 8.55am. Please note that they will not be available from the Head of Year office during the staggered break times for the time being. Emergency pencil cases to borrow for the day will also be available from the Head of Year office during morning tutor time.

Tools for Learning that have been purchased online via parentpay should be collected from main reception.

*Mrs McCrorie, Midday Supervisor, Curriculum Support Assistant, Lost Property Link*





## House Points this Week: 18<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September

We continue to recognise the hard work that our students are doing through our House System by issuing House Points. Our House system remains very competitive so please check our communications for the latest placements of each house!

Keep up the Hard work!

Congratulations to everyone who has gained house points this week:

Achievement Points for the week 18 <sup>th</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> September								
	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13	Total
Academic Point	1244	442	657	390	179	3	0	2915
Academic Point (x2)	206	136	102	150	12	26	0	632
Academic Point (x3)	360	24	27	60	0	0	0	471
Aspiration Points	1	10	3	3	5	0	0	22
Aspiration Points 2	0	0	4	6	0	0	0	10
Community Point	52	47	89	16	4	0	4	212
Community Point (x3)	0	6	0	3	0	0	0	9
Community Points (x2)	68	0	2	46	2	0	6	124
Culture Points	5	12	0	19	0	0	0	36
Culture Points (x2)	0	4	2	54	4	0	0	64
Leadership Points	2	7	6	1	0	0	0	16
Leadership Points (X2)	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Leadership Points (x3)	0	0	6	3	3	3	0	15
Physical	14	58	25	14	55	0	0	166
Physical Points (x2)	100	40	2	50	42	0	0	234
Physical Points (x3)	42	0	0	18	0	0	0	60
<b>Total</b>	<b>2096</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4988</b>

House Points for the week 18 <sup>th</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> September								
	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13	Total
Farley (BLUE)	497	192	199	200	81	11	7	1187
Jennetts (YELLOW)	519	226	237	179	90	4	3	1258
Swinley (RED)	526	162	222	234	84	5	0	1233
Temple (GREEN)	554	206	267	220	51	12	0	1310
<b>Total</b>	<b>2096</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4988</b>



House  
Winners  
**Temple**



## School Dining Hall

The School Dining Hall is open daily for all students as follows:

**7.45 - 8.30** Breakfast which includes:

Fresh Fruit / Yoghurt bar / Cereals / Bacon or Sausage Rolls / Danish Pastries / Hot Chocolate

**10.00 – 11.30** Break-time (staggered)

**12.30 – 2.00** Lunch-time (staggered)

**3.05:** Any unsold food may be purchased at half price by cash or account

Our in-house caterers have a fresh approach to food and we have a number of different meal deals and a hot school meal, which includes either a drink or a pudding.

A selection of sandwiches, pizza slices, salad and pasta are also available.

More information and sample menus are available on [www.brakenhale.co.uk/pastoral-support/parent-zone/](http://www.brakenhale.co.uk/pastoral-support/parent-zone/)

There is a 3 week menu rotation, please see below. Next week will be week 2

Week 2	Monday	Allergen	Tuesday	Allergen	Wednesday	Allergen	Thursday	Allergen	Friday	Allergen
Option 1	BFA * Beef Bolognaise	Containing Gluten, Dairy	BFA * Chicken Katsu Curry & Mango Chutney	Containing Gluten, Dairy	BFA * Roast Gammon Yorkshire Pudding	Gluten, Dairy, Egg	BFA * Charcoal Chicken Wrap	Containing Gluten	MSC * Battered Fish Salmon Fishcake Chicken Nuggets	Cereal Containing Gluten, Egg, Fish
Option 2	Quorn Vegetarian Bolognaise	Containing Gluten	Lentil Curry Naan Bread	Dairy, Gluten	Spinach & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake	N/A	Mixed Bean Enchilada	Cereal Containing Gluten,	Cheese & Tomato Omelette	Containing Gluten, Dairy, Egg
Carbohydrates	Spaghetti	Gluten	Lemon Basmati Rice	N/A	Roast Potatoes	N/A	Spicy Wedges	Gluten	Chunky Oven Chips	Containing gluten
Vegetables Of the day	Mixed Green Salad	N/A	Cauliflower & Broccoli	N/A	Roasted Root Vegetables	N/A	Sauteed Green Beans Mixed Salad	N/A	Baked Beans Garden Peas	N/A
Dessert	Apple Sponge & Vanilla Custard	Containing Gluten, Dairy, Egg	Courgettes & Lime Cake	Dairy, Gluten, Egg	Fruit Crumble & Cream	Containing Gluten, Dairy	Coco Orange Cake Custard	Dairy, Gluten, Egg	Rice Cake	Gluten Free

- BFA (British Farm Assured)
- MSC (Marine Stewardship Council)

Catering provided by school is cooked fresh on the school site each day. Please contact the school office for more information or to discuss any dietary requirements.

The daily offer includes: Wholemeal bread, fresh homemade salads, a variety of seasonal fresh fruit, yogurts, jacket potatoes with a choice of toppings including Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Baked Beans.

The Admissions Department of Bracknell Forest Council handles the authorisation and administration of Free School Meals. If you think your son/daughter may qualify, please complete the Bracknell Forest Council application form via the link below.

[www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/.../how-do-i-apply-free-school-meals](http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/.../how-do-i-apply-free-school-meals)

It is worthwhile applying for Free School Meals entitlement even if your child does not require a school lunch because your son/daughter may receive financial assistance with other school related expenses.

Taz Asran, Chef Manager



## 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. Parents of all years and students in Year 8 and above can keep track of their attendance on their school gateway account.

Regular and punctual attendance of students at school is both a legal requirement and crucial to a student's success - there is a clear link between a high rate of attendance and high achievement. I am sure that you are already aware of the 95% attendance target that we are working towards. If students are not in lessons they cannot learn! Every lesson really does count! Statistics show missing 8.5 days or 5% of school in any school year can reduce the success level of a student by 1 GCSE grade.

With this in mind it, I would like to reiterate the expectations that we have regarding attendance:

- Students are expected to be in school in their designated area by 8.35am.
- Should your child be unwell please call the attendance line on 01344 465050 or email [attendance@brakenhale.co.uk](mailto:attendance@brakenhale.co.uk) to inform us of the illness.
- Should you need to arrange a medical or dental appointment can I encourage you where possible to arrange these after 12:30pm as this will reduce the disruption to your child's learning.

**If the absence is in relation to coronavirus do not attend school if you have any of the following:**

- A high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature).
- A new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual).
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

To find further guidance and advice you should take reference from relevant government and NHS guidance available at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

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*

**Literacy: Hammer that Grammar**

**Hammer that Grammar: Issue 3**

It's time to hammer our grammar skills.

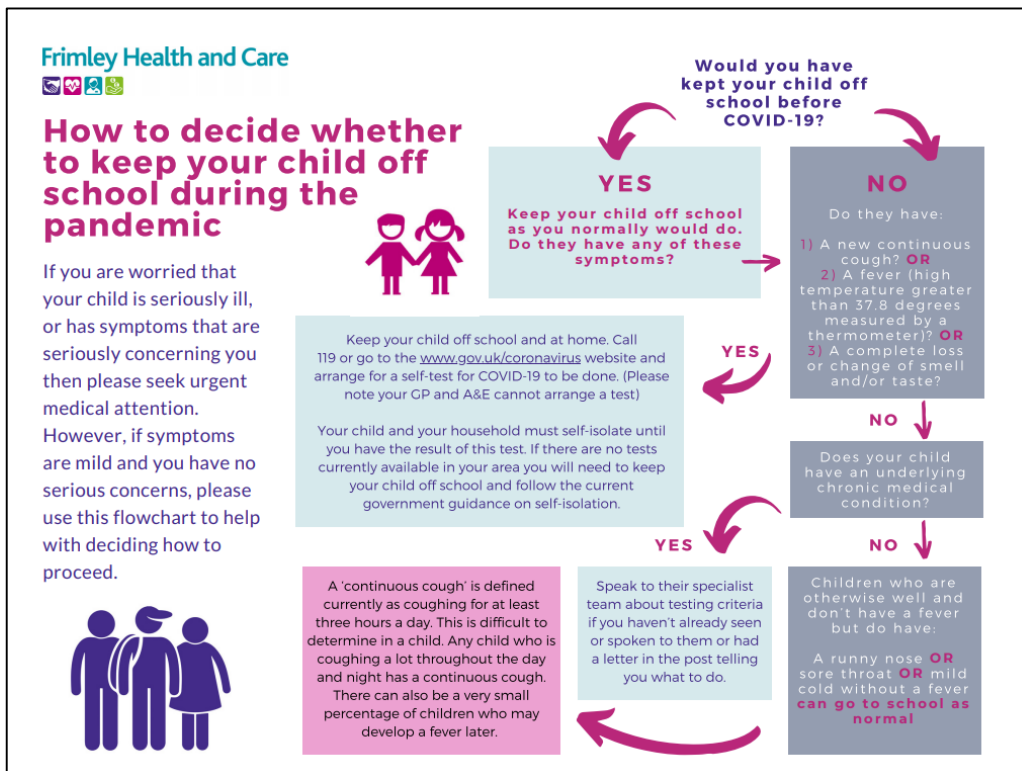
Now, no one is perfect and it is OK not to know something but, together, we can improve, develop and become experts!



This week's focus: **Affect v Effect**

The rules:	
The definitions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>affect</b> - this is a verb (a doing word).</li> <li>➤ EG: The weather has affected my mood.</li> <li>➤ This shows the weather has influenced me - it has done something to me.</li>   <li>➤ <b>effect</b> - this is a noun</li> <li>➤ EG: The effects of the storm were awesome!</li> <li>➤ This shows results.</li> </ul>
The dos	The effects of the storm affected me. (noun and then verb) The results of the storm influenced me.

Mrs D Lewis, Literacy Coordinator



## Clothes Recycling

Here at Brakenhale we collect in your unwanted clothes, shoes, accessories and other household linen items for recycling to help raise money for the school.

We have special Bag2School bags to put your unwanted items in (normally available from main reception) or you can just use a normal bin liner. Please ensure that your bags are not overfilled and are tied firmly to prevent water ingress as wet items will not be accepted by the collectors.

We have 2 big red bins for you to deposit your bags in at any time and they are located at the Coningsby entrance by the bike compound.

**Brakenhale School**

# CLOTHES RECYCLING!

**Don't send your unwanted items to landfill...  
The more bags you bring the more money we raise for the school.**

**The following 'good quality' items are accepted for RE-USE:**

- ✓ Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- ✓ Paired shoes (tied together/elastic band around)
- ✓ Handbags, Hats, Bags and Belts
- ✓ Scarves and Ties
- ✓ Jewellery
- ✓ Lingerie and Socks
- ✓ Soft toys
- ✓ Household linen, Curtains and Towels
- ✓ Bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

Put your items in a black bin bag.

**Please note that the following are not accepted:**

- ✓ Duvets and Blankets
- ✓ Pillows and cushions
- ✓ Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- ✓ Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- ✓ School uniforms with and without logo
- ✓ Corporate clothing and workwear
- ✓ Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

**Thank you for supporting the school!**

Please see the poster to find out which items are accepted and the short list of items not collected.

<https://bag2school.com/>

Bag2School is one of the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 it has now paid out over £36 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for our school, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 350,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our Bag2School collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys. In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity. Since we started our clothes collections we have raised over £1600 for the school which is fantastic.

## Fundraising



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/>



## Brakenhale School Lottery

**Congratulations to the prize draw winners over the summer holiday. Even though we weren't in school, the lottery winners kept winning!**

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](https://www.yourschoolottery.co.uk)

You have to be in it to win it.

**BRAKENHALE**  
High Expectations & Challenge for All

**YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY**

**NEW SCHOOL YEAR  
NEW CHANCES TO WIN**

**BOOST School Funds & WIN up to £25,000**

- Help raise vital school funds
- Tickets cost just £1 a week each
- Cash prize winner every week
- You've got to be in it to win it!

To start supporting, visit:  
[YourSchoolLottery.co.uk](https://www.yourschoolottery.co.uk)  
 and search for: Brakenhale

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.

**PTA**  
**BRAKENHALE SCHOOL**  
 Parent Teacher Association

The **School Lottery** is a fun and effective way to raise money to improve our school. But we need your help to make the lottery the best it can be, so please support the lottery today - and who knows maybe you'll be the next winner!

**BRAKENHALE**  
High Expectations & Challenge for All

**YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY**

**Harry Potter Studio Tour**

*Win*  
 a family ticket for 4 people

- Help boost our school fundraising
- Tickets cost just £1 per week
- Cash prize winner every week
- You could even win our £25,000 jackpot

To start supporting, visit:  
[yourschoolottery.co.uk](https://www.yourschoolottery.co.uk)  
 and search for: **Brakenhale**

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Entries close on 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020. T&Cs apply, see website for details

## Easy Fundraising

With [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) you collect free donations to your selected cause every time you shop. You can make a big difference on everything from groceries to getaways and it doesn't cost you a penny!

When you shop the easyfundraising way with one of their 3083 shops and sites they give easyfundraising a commission for your purchase which is turned into a donation for your selected good cause.

When you visit the website [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) - simply search for the retailer you want to shop with and click out to them using the green 'Go Shopping' button. You will be taken straight to the retailer's website and your experience will be identical as if you had gone there directly but easyfundraising will be able to track your purchase to ensure a donation for your good cause.

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](#).

Don't forget to shop through [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) to effortlessly help raise money for the school!



## Action for Happiness

<https://www.actionforhappiness.org/>: Self-Care September 2020  
Daily actions to help you be kinder to yourself (as well as others):



**ACTION CALENDAR: SELF-CARE SEPTEMBER 2020**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
 7 Remember it's ok not to be ok. We all have difficult days	1 Remember that self-care is not selfish. It's essential.	2 Be willing to share how you feel and ask for help when needed.	3 Free up time in your diary by cancelling any unnecessary plans.	4 Forgive yourself when things go wrong. We all make mistakes.	5 Plan a fun or relaxing activity this weekend and make time for it.	6 Focus on the basics: eat well, exercise and go to bed on time.
14 Talk kindly to yourself like you would to someone you love.	8 Notice the things you do well today, however small.	9 Avoid saying 'I ought to' or 'I should' to yourself.	10 Give yourself permission to say No to requests from others.	11 Aim to be good enough, rather than perfect.	12 Let go of being busy. Allow yourself to take some breaks today.	13 Make time today to do something you really enjoy.
21 Remind yourself that you are loved and worthy of love.	15 Find a caring, calming phrase to say to yourself when feeling low.	16 Notice what you are feeling today, without any judgment.	17 Leave positive messages for yourself to see regularly.	18 Don't compare how you feel inside to how others appear outside.	19 Get active outside and give your mind & body a natural boost.	20 No plans day - make time to slow down and be kind to yourself.
28 Accept your mistakes as a way of helping you make progress.	22 Look at photos from a time with happy memories.	23 Let go of other people's expectations of you today.	24 Ask a trusted friend to tell you what they like about you.	25 Release yourself from inner demands and self-criticism.	26 Find a new way to use one of your strengths or talents today.	27 Take your time. Make space to just breathe and be still.


**Self-care is not selfish. You can't pour from an empty cup**


**ACTION FOR HAPPINESS**







[www.actionforhappiness.org/self-care-september](http://www.actionforhappiness.org/self-care-september)  
 Learn more about this month's theme at [www.actionforhappiness.org/self-care-september](http://www.actionforhappiness.org/self-care-september)

**Keep Calm · Stay Wise · Be Kind**

## Vacancies



- Deputy SENCo
- Assistant Caretaker (Part time)
- PE Technician

Please visit our website for more details:  
<https://brakenhale.co.uk/about/vacancies/>

## 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](#)



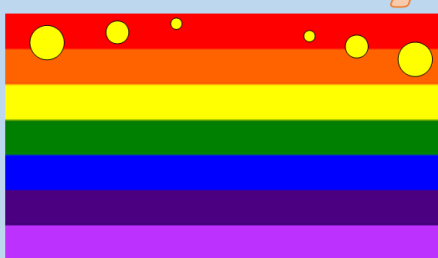
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[Staff Member of the Week](#)

# Identity

Everyone is welcome  
😊  
A space to be free and be you.



**What do we do?**

- Discuss recent issues – locally and globally
- Task Master
  - Quizzes
- Speed friending
- Film nights
- Competitions

We meet every Friday in F10

3.05-3.35

With Mrs Lewis and Miss Bunkell

## Future Diary Dates

\* Please note that all events may be subject to change

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	:	<b>National Libraries Week</b> <b>Year 13 PPEs start</b>
26 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> October	:	<b>Half Term</b>

## Term Dates

### Term Dates 2020-21

#### AUTUMN TERM 2020

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 **Inset Days**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020

**Autumn Half Term - Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

**Christmas Holiday: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2020 to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021**

*(Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January Bank Holiday)*

#### SPRING TERM 2021

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

**Spring Half Term - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

**Spring Holiday: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

*(Good Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April, Easter Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April)*

#### SUMMER TERM 2021

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

**Summer Half Term - Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021 **Inset Days**

**Summer Holiday: Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021**

**INSET Days** Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021

*Please check the school website regularly for current information.*

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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