



Parent News: Friday 11th September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

It has certainly been an eventful week but one that has again shown what an amazingly supportive community #teambrokenhale is made up of; I have been overwhelmed by the messages of encouragement I have received from so many of you. I would also like to extend a very special thank you to Mrs Spary Hawthorn for her very generous donation of masks, wipes and gloves; these have been hugely appreciated. Thank you also for the questions you have raised, which have led me to reflect on many of our strategies to ensure we are doing things in the very best way possible. As you will be aware, from Monday we will be making the wearing of face masks compulsory in the school corridors due to the rise in infection in the local area and as a result of the two cases we have had in our Sixth Form students. I very much appreciate your help in ensuring your child has a plain face mask with them at all times from Monday. If you have any specific concerns regarding this please do not hesitate to contact me. I will review this on a fortnightly basis alongside local numbers and confirmed cases.

Our students this week have been incredible and an absolute credit to you all; they have come back to school in a positive mind-set and are conducting themselves in an exemplary manner. Myself and my Senior Team have been in lessons at all points of the day and it has been fantastic to see everybody engaged and focussed on their learning. At break time and lunchtime the students have adapted very well to the new structures both in terms of timing, seating and line ups at the end. It is this attitude that will ensure that all students achieve the very best moving forward.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patience with the issues that some of you have had with uniform supply and tools for learning, we believe these to be resolved but please do let us know if you experience further issues.

Finally, I am delighted to inform you that we were finalists (only two schools reached the final!) in the 2020 Pride of Bracknell School of the Year Awards. As many of you know we were winners last year and to be recognised two years in a row is beyond amazing! As the Awards Ceremony did not go ahead no decision was made on the actual winner and the event organisers will confirm shortly if the nominations will carry forward into the 2021 awards or if there will still be a separate 2020 award. I will let you know when I receive an update.

I wish you all a restful weekend after what I know has been a stressful week.

Student of the week:

Wendoline Mensah P16 who paid for two rulers for two Year 7 students who had no money. How very kind.

Fab:

- You are doing a great job and the support you give my children is amazing and I can't thank you enough.
- It was so encouraging for students to still get achievement and house points during home learning. Above and beyond - Thank you.
- Thank you to all the staff who helped in our children's education, support and boosting them during lockdown. We were able to contact who we needed and received replies the same day.
- This week's newsletter was packed with useful information from many different departments, clubs and staff. Thank you, a great help, great job.
- It was good to receive Brakenhale news each week during lock down and would like to thank every member of staff who contributed to that, as we looked forward each week seeing what everyone had been up to also helped take our mind of home learning. The Fun Friday participation from both Students and Staff was also very nice and great to see many taking part and coming together during difficult times.

Staff member of the week:

Mr Collins – He has helped my very anxious daughter settle well into her first week.

Quote of the week: “Sometimes the worst things that happen in our lives put us on the path to the best things that will ever happen to us.”

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

Monday 14 th September	Year 11 in-class assessment
Tuesday 15 th September	CCF: 3.30-5.30pm
Wednesday 16 th September	School Photos for Year 7
Thursday 17 th September	Virtual Open Evening: 6pm

School Lockers

Thank you for your patience whilst we have been sorting out the issuing of lockers for students. We have been working really hard and all lockers have now been issued. If you have any problems, please contact: lockers@brakenhale.co.uk

**Kind donation**

We would like to thank Mr Kimpton, grandparent of one of our Year 10 students, for his kind donation of unwanted tools for learning. They will be most useful in school.

Face Masks

We have now taken the decision that as from Monday the wearing of a plain mask will be compulsory in all school corridors.

Thank you for your continued support at this challenging time.



Using the Roads Safely

Please can we take this opportunity to remind you that as a school, we always want to maintain positive relations with all residents in our local community and would be really grateful if this can be considered when dropping/collecting students from the school. In particular could I ask that driveways and roads are not blocked so that residents can still access their homes and vehicles.

Please remember that the **Open Learning Centre** car park is for users of the Centre and not for parking for school drop off/collection.

Please take extra care in and around Coningsby; remember that the zigzag lines in Coningsby opposite Rectory Close are there to keep the area clear to allow an unrestricted view for approaching drivers and children wanting to cross the road. All road users have a responsibility to each other and pedestrians to drive and park with consideration for others. Bracknell Forest have advised us that enforcement action will be taken against illegally parked vehicles outside schools.



Please also ensure that you park and drive courteously around the school site including not obstructing the gateways as this gets particularly busy during school drop off and pick up times.

Wherever possible we would encourage students to walk or cycle to school. We have a safety Cycle Pass scheme, so students require a permit and a helmet if they cycle or scooter to school.

Your support in these matters is much appreciated as always.

Lost Property



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

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

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

Literacy Post Lockdown

Literacy is a set of skills that we often take for granted. We use these skills to communicate to each other all the time, be that talking, writing or reading.

- Have you ever been trying to explain something and just can't find the words..?
- Have you ever struggled with filling in forms or laying out a piece of writing?
- Have you ever received communication, as a text message or email, and misunderstood the tone or message? The worst example of this can be misinterpreting messages on social media sites.





Well, if you have, locking down literacy skills will help you with all of this!

Each week, there will be a little literacy jewel for you included in Parent News. You will either look at this and think ‘what is that?’ or you will look at it and think ‘yep, I know that’. Either way, it is an opportunity to strengthen and share those literacy skills.

During Lockdown, literacy may have gone out the window but now is the time to encourage reading – reading fiction, non-fiction, reading around a particular subject at school. Not sure where to start? Have a look at The School Reading website [here](#).

Reading can be seen as a chore but really it is the key to unlocking imaginations, exploring new worlds and learning about different characters from different backgrounds. All of this can help us to understand the world and each other – an underestimated skill in this diverse world of ours.

Trying to find the best time to read is really up to the individual. Some students like to read in the morning, some at night, some at the weekends and some, every day. As long as you are reading, your literacy skills will improve.

If you or your child ever has a question, wants to check something, please do not hesitate to contact me: dlewis@brakenhale.co.uk

What can you do to support your child with literacy?

Are you a member of the local library? Joining a local library can open up a whole range of resources that may support with homework, school projects. What’s more, it is the perfect space to complete work so if things are a little noisy at home, the library can act as the perfect solution. Most libraries have ICT facilities too so this may help with sibling sharing.

Encourage students to read something that interests them. Any reading is good: magazines, online newspapers, graphic novels, leaflets, comics. Make sure it fits in to their timetable – on the bus/train/on the toilet, in the bath, before bed, in the morning, at the weekend...

Encourage and support students with their curiosity. This might mean looking up new words together. Don’t be afraid to ask Google how to pronounce a word correctly and look up its meaning – sometimes a word can mean more than one thing. Looking up synonyms of new words can help understand the new vocabulary too.

Keeping a reading log or journal is a great way to track what you have and are reading. You may also want to summarise what you have read after each reading section. You could also keep track of new vocabulary that you have learned along the way.

Hold conversations with your child about their day – get them talking and in full sentences. Listen out for their pronunciation of words – this may be something you look at and work at together.

Encourage and support students to enter the library’s weekly creative writing tasks. In addition, there will be other writing competitions that will be promoted throughout the year so watch out for these.

Word of the Week is now a half-termly house competition – more to follow on this exciting new initiative so watch this space!



Mrs D Lewis, Literacy Coordinator

Literacy: Hammer that Grammar

Hammer that Grammar: Issue 1.

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: apostrophes



The rules:

The don'ts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ We do not need to use apostrophes for plurals. For example: The year 11s, TAs, 1800s, HODs.
The dos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To show possession. E.G: Mary's pen, the town's population, the player's bat. ➤ Plurals. Get the apostrophe in the right place. EG: The girls' nails (the nails of all the girls opposed to the girl's nails, the nails of one girl) Be careful with words that are already plural. E.G: The people's votes (the votes of the people). ➤ Words that end in 'S'. E.G: Mrs. Lewis' classroom, the bus's lights, Texas's BBQs. Now, there is no standard way when it comes to apostrophe rules with words that end in 'S'. However, it is important that we all have one agreed way of doing it – for consistency's sake. The usual practice is to add an apostrophe with an 'S' for common nouns and just the apostrophe to Proper nouns. ➤ To show omission (missing letters). For example: can't, wouldn't, won't, it's, haven't, 'tis, they've, they'll (there are so many contractions).

House Points this Term

House Points Since return-today 10.9.2020

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13	Total
Farley (BLUE)	516	158	212	187	91	9	5	1178
Jennetts (YELLOW)	425	199	240	170	93	9	5	1141
Swinley (RED)	490	157	228	199	82	2	3	1161
Temple (GREEN)	498	179	235	154	86	6	3	1161
Total	1929	693	915	710	352	26	16	4641

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/

There is a 3 week menu rotation, please see below.

Next week will be week 3.

 Brakenhale School Autumn Menu 2020/21 										
Week 3	Monday	Allergen	Tuesday	Allergen	Wednesday	Allergen	Thursday	Allergen	Friday	Allergen
Option 1	BAF * Meatballs In Rich Tomato Sauce	<i>Containing Gluten</i>	BFA * Chicken Tikka Masala	<i>Containing Gluten, Celery, Mustard</i>	BFA * Roast Turkey Yorkshire Pudding	<i>Gluten, Dairy, Egg</i>	BFA * Beef Lasagne	<i>Containing Gluten, Dairy</i>	MSC * Battered Baked Fish & Chicken Nuggets, Sausage	<i>Cereal Containing Gluten, Egg, Fish</i>
Option 2	Feta Cheese Roasted Pepper Frittata	<i>Containing Gluten, Dairy, Egg</i>	Chickpea Curry, Naan Bread	<i>Gluten, Celery, Mustard</i>	Vegetarian Sausage & Mash Potatoes	<i>Gluten, Soya, Dairy</i>	Tex Mexican Vegetarian Burrito	<i>Containing Gluten, Dairy</i>	Broccoli & Tomato Quiche	<i>Cereal Containing Gluten, Dairy, Egg</i>
Carbohydrates	Penne, Spirals Pasta	<i>Gluten</i>	Basmati Rice	<i>N/A</i>	Roast Potatoes	<i>N/A</i>	Spicy Wedges	<i>Containing Gluten</i>	Chunky Oven Chips	<i>Cereal containing gluten, soya</i>
Vegetables Of the day	Green Salad Green Beans	<i>N/A</i>	Cauliflower & Broccoli	<i>N/A</i>	Roasted Carrots & Parsnips	<i>N/A</i>	Sweetcorn Courgettes	<i>N/A</i>	Garden Peas Baked Beans	<i>N/A</i>
Dessert	Cocoa Cake & Custard	<i>Containing Gluten, Egg, Dairy</i>	Carrot Cake & Cream	<i>Dairy, Gluten, Egg</i>	Banana Cake Cocoa Sauce	<i>Containing Gluten, Egg, Dairy</i>	Fruit Jelly	<i>N/A</i>	Warm Waffles & Syrup	<i>Containing Gluten, Egg</i>

- 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.

<https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/school-meals/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 - kitchen@brakenhale.co.uk

 Brakenhale School 			
CANTEEN PRICE LIST 2020/2021			
		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	£1.80	
	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	

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 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

PE Update

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. Jewellery and watches are NOT to be worn.

If you have any questions please email Mr Potter: mpotter@brakenhale.co.uk



BRAKENHALE PE CLUBS
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	Y8	CLEANING AND STOCK CHECK OF ALL PE KIT/EQUIPMENT (ALL PE staff)	Y9	Y10	EXAM PE REVISION CLASSES AND END OF WEEK STOCK CHECK AND CLEAN OF PE KIT (ALL PE staff)
	Boys: Activity - football Staff - JBO Location - astro 1 Changing - sports hall boys	Boys: Activity - football Staff - MPO Location - astro 2 Changing - dance boys		Boys: Activity - football Staff - CMY Location - astro 1 Changing - sports hall boys	Boys: Activity - football Staff - JSP/CCO Location - astro 2 Changing - dance boys	
	Girls: Activity - netball Staff - LWI Location - sports hall Changing - sports hall girls	Girls: Activity - netball Staff - LRU Location - courts Changing - dance girls		Girls: Activity - netball Staff - ABT Location - sports hall Changing - sports hall girls	Girls: Activity - netball Staff - KWI Location - courts Changing - dance girls	

Clubs may be cancelled due to staff meetings or calendared events. We will send a schools comms home to inform parents.

Follow @brakenhalepe - on twitter and instagram!

PE CHAMPIONS OF THE WEEK

Week of: 7/9/20

Staff	Student	Tutor
Mr Potter	Luke Reeves	7N
Miss Willimott	Navannah Holtzhausen	9K
Mr Maye	Alfie Alder Warrington	7H
Mr Boucher	Keisha Ruff	11A
Miss Rushby	Becky Warner & Harry Cheale	10R & 10A
Ms Wilson	Danielle Dickinson	8R
Miss Butler	Cleo Miller	7H

Well done!

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Mr M Potter, Head of PE

On Twitter & Instagram: @brakenhalepe

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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

'ME in PE'

	THINKING
1	Thinks of basic ways/ideas to increase creativity of own work
2	Thinks of basic ways/ideas to increase creativity of others' work
3	Makes basic comments on own work (positive and constructive)
4	Makes basic comments on other people's work (positive and constructive)
5	Thinks of imaginative ways/ideas to increase creativity of own work
6	Thinks of imaginative ways/ideas to increase creativity of others' work
7	Makes competent comments on own work (positive and constructive)
8	Makes competent comments on other people's work (positive and constructive)
9	Thinks of complex ways/ideas to increase creativity of own work
10	Thinks of complex ways/ideas to increase creativity of others' work
11	Applies ideas/thoughts/comments to own work (positive and constructive)
12	Applies ideas/thoughts/comments to other people's work (positive and constructive)

'ME in PE'

	LEADING
1	Helps take equipment out to lesson and set it up
2	Uses equipment in the lesson to measure and record own and others' work
3	Demonstrates to another student technical models of skills to be used in lesson
4	Demonstrates to another student technical models of skills learnt in lesson
5	Leads a small group in a warm up / cool down
6	Leads a small group in a skill based situation
7	Leads a small group in a conditioned situation
8	Leads a small group in a competitive situation
9	Teaches a skill to a partner 1-2-1
10	Teaches a skill to a small group
11	Teaches a skill to a large group
12	Teaches a skill to the whole class

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.

Our next collection is on Tuesday 15th September.

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!

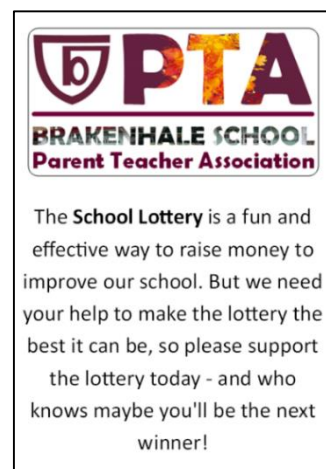
Thank you to everyone who has signed up to our school lottery. We are continually looking to increase new members each month, so if you have not signed up yet now is your chance to do this.

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](#)

You have to be in it to win it.



Easy Fundraising

With 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 - 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](#).



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
<p>1 Remember that self-care is not selfish. It's essential</p> <p>7 Remember it's ok not to be ok. We all have difficult days</p> <p>14 Talk kindly to yourself like you would to someone you love</p> <p>21 Remind yourself that you are loved and worthy of love</p> <p>28 Accept your mistakes as a way of helping you make progress</p>	<p>2 Be willing to share how you feel and ask for help when needed</p> <p>8 Notice the things you do well today, however small</p> <p>15 Find a caring, calming phrase to say to yourself when feeling low</p> <p>22 Look at photos from a time with happy memories</p> <p>29 Write down three things you appreciate about yourself today</p>	<p>3 Free up time in your diary by cancelling any unnecessary plans</p> <p>9 Avoid saying 'I ought to' or 'I should' to yourself</p> <p>16 Notice what you are feeling today, without any judgment</p> <p>23 Let go of other people's expectations of you today</p> <p>30 You matter. Remember that you are enough, just as you are</p>	<p>4 Forgive yourself when things go wrong. We all make mistakes</p> <p>10 Give yourself permission to say No to requests from others</p> <p>17 Leave positive messages for yourself to see regularly</p> <p>24 Ask a trusted friend to tell you what they like about you</p>	<p>5 Plan a fun or relaxing activity this weekend and make time for it</p> <p>11 Aim to be good enough, rather than perfect</p> <p>18 Don't compare how you feel inside to how others appear outside</p> <p>25 Release yourself from inner demands and self-criticism</p>	<p>6 Focus on the basics: eat well, exercise and go to bed on time</p> <p>12 Let go of being busy. Allow yourself to take some breaks today</p> <p>19 Get active outside and give your mind & body a natural boost</p> <p>26 Find a new way to use one of your strengths or talents today</p>	<p>13 Make time today to do something you really enjoy</p> <p>20 No plans day - make time to slow down and be kind to yourself</p> <p>27 Take your time. Make space to just breathe and be still</p>

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

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

www.actionforhappiness.org

Learn more about this month's theme at www.actionforhappiness.org/self-care-september

Keep Calm · Stay Wise · Be Kind

Vacancies



- Deputy SENCo
- Invigilators

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.

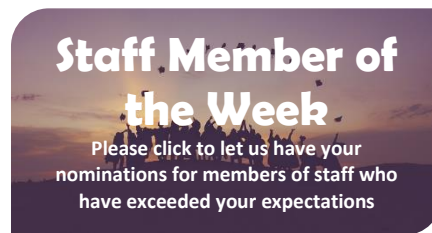
Electronic submission:



[Fab](#)



[Drab](#)



[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 th October	:	National Libraries Week
26 th to 30 th October	:	Half Term

Term Dates

Term Dates 2020-21

AUTUMN TERM 2020

Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September 2020 **Inset Days**

Thursday 3rd September – Friday 18th December 2020

Autumn Half Term - Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October 2020

Christmas Holiday: Monday 21st December 2020 to Friday 1st January 2021

(Friday 1st January Bank Holiday)

SPRING TERM 2021

Monday 4th January – Thursday 1st April 2021

Spring Half Term - Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February 2021

Spring Holiday: Friday 2nd April to Friday 16th April 2021

(Good Friday 2nd April, Easter Monday 5th April)

SUMMER TERM 2021

Monday 19th April – Friday 16th July 2021

Summer Half Term - Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2021

Monday 19th, Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st July 2021 **Inset Days**

Summer Holiday: Thursday 22nd July 2021

INSET Days Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September 2020
Monday 19th, Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st 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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