

# Brakenhale School

## Year 7 News



**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Dear Year 7 Students

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you back from your Christmas holidays and again let you know how well you have settled back into the routine of school life. Loads of you have been given achievement points of the last fortnight for getting it right and it just shows how amazing you are as a Year group that you are able to pick up where you left off before Christmas.

The weather over the next few weeks is going to turn very cold and we have noticed that quite a few of you are walking around without a coat on. Please can you make sure that you are bringing weather appropriate clothing to school with you and especially over the next couple of weeks, you are going to need a black coat to help keep you warm. With the cold weather we are opening our allocated rooms to students you can be supervised in warm and dry rooms.

You will all be aware about the PGL trip that is being organised for Key Stage 3. This is a fantastic opportunity for students in Year 7 to go on a residential trip for a weekend where they will take part in many team building activities. To ensure you have a place on this trip a non-refundable £50 deposit is needed by 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2019.

We would like to remind you that you should be checking your tools for learning every day making sure that you have 3 pens, pencil, sharpener, rubber, as well as making sure you have a protractor and scientific calculator, and not forgetting, a glue stick that has some glue in it. Remember that if you are missing equipment you can purchase replacement items from the printroom for a small cost. This will mean that you are not issued with a detention when your tutor does the weekly check. If you are placed in a detention for this please remember to turn up to S11 for it otherwise, it gets escalated to a Thursday Surgery and few students have had this detention because of missing a detention for equipment.

It is a new term, so can you aim to attend school better than this term? As a Year group our attendance has been amazing from day one and it will be a group effort to make it even better this term, but we believe you can do it. Your tutor has shared with you what your attendance will be at Easter if you attend 100% of the time this term and there is even the opportunity of an Amazon voucher if you manage it. Everybody can try and achieve either the same attendance or better from last term, let's really show the other year groups how it is done.

You will have started studying a book called 'A Monster Calls' in English. It has the theme of bullying as well as the bereavement of a parent due to cancer. Please talk to your family members about this, and to your tutor if you need more support regarding these issues. If it is causing you unnecessary stress then do also please let your English teacher, myself or Miss Turner know so that we can help support you with this.

One of the main issues we continue to have is that loads of the lost property that is being handed in is unnamed, which is making it hard for us to return to you. Any uniform handed in which is named is returned to you as soon as possible. We would like to advise you that we have a member of staff who has a specific role in overseeing lost property and she works very hard to ensure these are returned to you. We have set up an email address [lostproperty@brakenhale.co.uk](mailto:lostproperty@brakenhale.co.uk) for all queries.

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We really hope you keep up the hard work and effort that you have put into the last two weeks. Continue to show the school how wonderful you all are.

Regards



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Please share with us your views on what you like about the school and what we can do to improve by clicking on the links below:



**Fab & Drab**

[Fab](#)

[Drab](#)

Please let us have your nominations for any members of staff who have exceeded your expectations this week:



**Staff Member  
of the Week**

[Staff Member of the Week](#)

Paper copies of nominations can be dropped into the boxes in main reception

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## KEY EVENTS – w/c 21<sup>st</sup> January

	<b>Tutor</b>	<b>Notices</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Equipment for Learning checks	<b>Clubs:</b> <b>Homework Club – LRC</b> <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Dance - JNS</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Reading Programme in Tutor	<b>Clubs:</b> <b>Homework Club – LRC</b> <b>Netball – Courts</b> <b>Football – Field/Astro</b> <b>Textiles – CO6</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Reading Programme in Tutor	<b>Clubs:</b> <b>Homework Club – LRC</b> <b>Badminton – Sports Hall</b> <b>French – CO3</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Reading Programme in Tutor	<b>Clubs:</b> <b>Homework Club – LRC</b> <b>Girls Football – Field/Astro</b> <b>Trampolining – Trampoline Centre</b> <b>Dungeons and Dragons – C11</b> <b>Vocal Group – LS1</b> <b>Art – A02</b>
<b>Friday</b>	SLT Assembly in Sports Hall	<b>Clubs:</b> <b>Homework Club – LRC</b>

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