



Dear Parents/Carers

Wow, another busy week at Brakenhale as we move towards the end of the summer term and at last the temperatures have been rising. This week students have been allowed to remove blazers and ties in order to stay cooler in the warm weather. Please do remind students the importance of keeping hydrated and to bring large, named, refillable water bottles in to school.

Well done to the Year 10s who have been sitting their end of year exams this week – we are delighted at the way you have conducted yourselves and hope that these exams have given you an opportunity to prepare for next year's final exams.

The Year 11 students have been back in school on their Sixth Form Transition days on Monday and Tuesday and over 120 students have enjoyed various taster subject classes which we hope will confirm your choices for September. Tuesday saw a great team building day at South Hill Park and students finished off their day with their Leavers Assembly with lots of laughs from Mr O'Donoghue. Year 11 have been a great year group and we wish you all our best for your exam results in August. Thursday saw students enjoy their Prom Night at Easthampstead Park Conference Centre with staff and students enjoying an evening of dancing and catching up with friends. A huge thank you to all the parents who came out to support the students and to the large numbers of staff who gave up their evening to be there. Many schools no longer have staff organising or attending prom and I am so grateful that we have a community here who wish to be a significant part of this exciting evening.



Our Sixth Form students will celebrate their time at Brakenhale with their end of year celebrations held at school this afternoon. We wish our leavers all the best as they join various universities in September – have a great summer break before your next steps.

On Wednesday a group of students across the year groups attended an NBA basketball coaching session at Wellington College, it was a fabulous opportunity for our students and we are grateful to Wellington College for including us in the event.

On Wednesday and Thursday this week, I have been out at Appeals Hearings for our new Year 7 students with nearly 100 students on our waiting list for places. It is so lovely to be the school of choice for so many and yet at the same time it is very difficult to not be able to offer a place to all those who would like to come to Brakenhale.

Today we have enjoyed hosting Year 5 students from Crownwood, Fox Hill and Wildridings primary schools who joined us to get a taster of secondary school. They enjoyed attending classes in Art, Technology, Dance and Science to name a few and we hope this has given them a good feeling for their secondary transition next year. Thank you to the staff from the primary schools who attended with the students.

We look forward to the Year 6 students who will be joining us in September coming in for their Induction Days next week. We hope they have a great few days with us and some of the nerves for September are put at ease for both students and parents.

At the end of the week the Key Stage 3 students are off on our PGL trip to Bawdsey Manor – let's hope the good weather stays with us!

Students of the week:

Olivia Humphery and Jade Daniel Year 12 - "Doing a phenomenal job at Year 11 Prom. They were so professional and worked so hard to ensure that they captured the Year 11s night to perfection. Two superstars!!!"

Jay James Year 9 – found a wallet, cancelled the cards for the owner and handed it into the police station.

Fab and Drab feedback this week is as follows:

Fab:

- Dear Mrs Coley, I am working in Bracknell this week, as a music examiner for Trinity College London. Each morning I have passed some of your students on their way to school. I would like to commend them on both their smart appearance, and their sensible demeanour.
- Brakenhale comes highly recommended by myself, the introduction of yourself was the making of this school and you have successfully got the school into a well-respected place, it's been rewarding in every way so a massive well done to yourself and your staff.
- Good morning, I would like to thank you and all of the teaching staff for all of your help and support with my son. I am very grateful and I hope that you all have a lovely summer and enjoy some well-deserved time off. You have all been amazing.
- What I can say now, is how delighted I am that both of my boys have been part of the fantastic establishment that Brakenhale has become, thanks to the amazing work that you and your team have done. I remember a member of staff saying some years ago that you need to look beyond the fabric of the building to really see the culture of the school, and you all really delivered on this! And now you (nearly) have the building too....but the culture will always be far more important!
- Saving the endangered animals and doing more for our planet.
- Food is always nice even on Meat Free Mondays.
- Assemblies are always good.
- Having a LGBT club so people don't feel sad and isolated.
- Providing school meals, having a great organised system and having an LGBT club.
- Having a Science Garden for Year 7s.
- Everything about the school is AWESOME!!

Drab:

Please fix the clocks/ Replace broken clocks.

Everything about the school is AWESOME!! My drab comment is about the parents who do not treat the yellow line out the school in the mornings as a drop an go and sit in their cars blocking the road causing the cars to have to go round them making the street very dangerous when there are also children crossing and cars all over the place, the culprit almost every morning drives a dark blue car with registration starting RX.

- *We appreciate your feedback and agree with you that Parents/Carers should be respectful of our neighbours and other cars and park safely.*

Homework is never checked and no feedback is ever given

- *I am sorry that this has been your experience. Senior staff observe lessons and check books every day and this is not reflective of the bigger picture. Please can you contact me directly so I can look into this.*

Monday dance club is always cancelled because there is not enough girls. But the ones turning up are turned away.

- *I will raise this with Mrs Duffy*

At the induction day last year, our child received a curriculum booklet for starting year 7. As parents who want to help their child succeed, we used the information given, to plan and support their education. Although we understand that things can change at the last minute, there were a number of things which didn't match at all.

- *Many thanks for your feedback - Our Summer Curriculum Booklet is provided as a guide and may be subject to change – D&T and ICT are taught on a rotation and not all Topics may be covered we have added information to the booklet to ensure this is clear. The MFL Links have been updated and although Treasure Island was not studied in English this year, we are delighted that an extra book was read and hopefully enjoyed, we would encourage all our students to read as many books as they can.*

The Sixth form arrangements for work experience were totally unorganised. Having been told that my child was to ring and introduce themselves 2-3 weeks before but they actually found out where they were going 2-3 days before the work experience was happening. Makes my child look bad, uninterested and unorganised.

- *I'm sorry to hear this as I know many experiences have been positive. Please do contact me directly so I can look into this.*

I understand sports day isn't only about competing but also about supporting, however, I am concerned that the students have to sit on the floor all afternoon since some of them have competed in the morning. It's very hot and no shade is provided (but is for the teachers) and no chairs. I wouldn't be able to sit on the floor for 3 hours and especially not in the heat. Is there an option for the students to be inside and actually learn something or have the option to go home since they are not in lesson anyway?

- *Sports day is a really important event on the school calendar and it's an important part of students contributing to their house. We did provide shade last year in the form of gazebos for those who requested it and we will do the same this year. Students are welcome to bring blankets to sit on as to take 1000 chairs onto the field would not be practical. If a student would prefer to complete English, Maths and Science work in the library this can be arranged.*

Staff members of the week:

Miss Manning	Because she is a fun Tutor to have and she interacts with the Students in her class. Because she is funny, entertaining but keeps a strong class structure. Because she is a very good teacher and has a very good class structure with teaching. She also interacts with the students.
Mr Anderson	He is really encouraging and at the same time has a great sense of humour
Mr Mullett	Love his classes, highlight of the week.
Mr O'Donoghue	Amazing Head of Year and Maths teacher. Thank you.
All the teachers	They are amazing.
Miss Moore	She is kind and helpful.
Mrs Rendall	She is very nice and a good teacher in English.

Next week we will open voting for our staff member of the year, we hope you will all take the opportunity to vote for your favourite members of staff – the winner will be announced at the end of Year Assembly.

Quote of the week: "It's not that I'm so smart I just stay with problems longer" Einstein

Have a great weekend and enjoy the sunshine with lots of factor 50!

Best wishes

Jane Coley, Headteacher

What's on next week

Monday 1st July
Wednesday 2nd July
Thursday 3rd July
Friday 5th to Sunday 7th July
Sunday 7th July

Year 8 End of Year Exams
Year 6 Transition Day 1
Year 6 Transition Day 2
KS3 PGL Bawdsey Manor Weekend
Rotary Sponsored Walk Together, South Hill Park

Year 11 Prom at Easthampstead Park



Brakenhale Annual Sponsored Walk

Don't forget our first Annual Sponsored Walk taking place on Monday 8th July.

The 10K Brakenhale Ramble will involve all Year 7 students in order to help raise funds for new school resources and forms a key part in promoting the importance of physical activity to our students.

We have a fundraising page with justgiving.com for donations, please follow the link: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/brakenhaleschool?utm_term=BNvbArXjB


We thank you as always for your continued support of the school and look forward to sharing the highlights of the day with you.



STEM Day

Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths

Selected students in Years 7 to 10 enjoyed a day of STEM challenges in house teams last Friday. Students competed to find clues using Fermi's estimation in the science garden, then coded micro-bits to create a reaction game, lastly a bit of chemistry in testing various methods for making slime.

Brakenhale 		Final Results
STEM DAY 2019		
4th =	152 points	Jennetts
3rd =	161 points	Farley
2nd =	169 points	Temple
1st =	215 points	Swinley

Swinley came first this year!

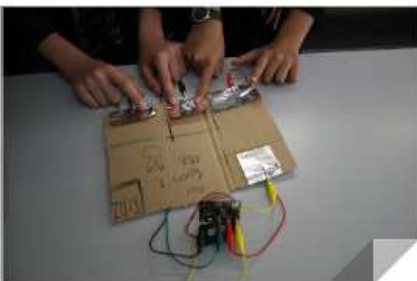
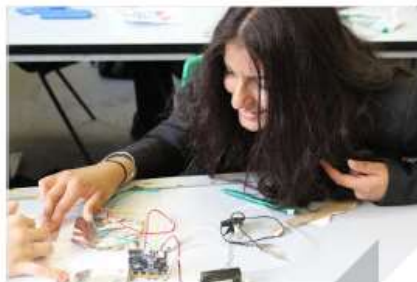
With close results for the following positions:

2nd = Temple,

3rd = Farley,

4th Jennetts.

Well done to Swinley !!!



A Level Art and Photography Exhibition

Please note change of date:



Miss T Wilhelmy, Teacher in Charge of Art & Photography

PE Update

This week has been a busy week for the PE department with a number of fixtures happening and the fact it is National School Sports Week!

National School Sports Week

This week extra-curricular clubs have been worth double house points and we have offered cricket and table tennis at lunch times. These have been a huge success and everyone has enjoyed getting involved. We certainly have met the Youth Sport Trust's 5 ways to wellbeing this week.

We have been active, connected with each other, given back, taken notice of others and learnt.

Year 7, 8 and 9 Rounders

This week saw the first matches at Brakenhale. We had Edgbarrow joining us with Year 7 and 8 and Ranelagh with a Year 9 team.

It was fantastic to see a number of girls out playing rounders; there was some brilliant play from Olivia S and Hristina from the Year 9 game against Ranelagh, with both of these girls winning batter of the match and fielder

of the match. Lily S in Year 7 also played brilliantly and received player of the match for her game. Player of the match for Year 8 was Ellie Y.

The final scores were:

Year 7 9 ½ v Edgbarrow 6 : Year 8 20.5 v Edgbarrow 22 : Year 9 11 v Ranleigh 25.

Well done to everyone involved and make sure you are ready to play the final games next week.

Basketball

A mix of 13 Year 7, 8 and 9 boys and girls were lucky to receive some expert basketball skills coaching from American Basketball Company Hoop Prodigy from California. They had lots of experience and were superb with the students. All of the students were fully engaged and excited to be taught from experts from the home of Basketball. They were taught dribbling skills, fitness drills as well as competitions. During the session Codey F won a T Shirt for winning a free throw competition. All in all everyone really had an amazing experience and learnt a few things, including Mr Maye! Everyone on the bus back were pushing PE for more Basketball, so watch this space!

Young Ambassadors

On Thursday and Friday this week Emma and Victoria have been at the School Games, completing the final part of their Young Ambassador qualification. Find out what they did in next week's parent news.

Rounders Young Leaders

We are half way through our Rounders Young Leaders Award and there is some fantastic progress being made, with all students developing in confidence.

Next week there will be no session due to Miss Rushby and myself not being here. Make sure you attend on the 9th July for a slightly longer session.


Fixtures for Next Week

Date	Year	Sport	Versus	Location	Start/Finish	Staff
1.7.19	9 and 10	Athletics	Edgbarrow	Away	3.15/5.45pm	CMY
2.7.19	9 and 10	Rounders	Garth	Away	3.05/4.45pm	NFO tbc
4.7.19	7, 8, 9, 10	Rounders	Sandhurst	Home	3.05/4.45pm	LWI/LRU
4.7.19	7 and 8	Cricket	Kings Academy	Away	3.05/5.30pm	MPO/JBO




The PE Department, Miss L Willimott, Lead Coordinator of Girls PE and Teacher in Charge of Health and Social Care
Mr Potter, Head of PE

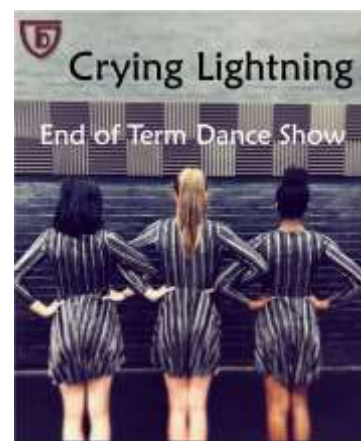
Extra-Curricular Clubs

 PE EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES Half Term 6 - 2018-2019					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BEFORE SCHOOL (0710 – 0800) Full kit needed to participate	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 only Gym LRU	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 only Gym RBE	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 only Gym LW	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 Only Gym CMY	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 Only Gym JBO
LUNCH (1330-1355)	***Sports Hall Closed***				***Sports Hall Closed*** Y10 GCSE PE Revision C21 MPO
AFTER SCHOOL (1505-1630) Full kit needed to participate	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 only Gym RBE	Rounders All years Field LW/LRU Softball All Years Field/Astro CMY	Athletics All Years Field JBO/MPO/CMY Tennis All years Courts LRU	Cricket All years Field/Nets RBE/MPO Golf All Years Field JBO	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 only Gym RBE

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. Some AM sessions are only for certain students (KS4/5) and only certain mornings – please draw this to their attention.

Performing Arts

Extra Curricular Dance Timetable 					
Starting from Monday 3rd June					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break time	Year 9 -13 rehearsals	Open for rehearsals all years	Open for rehearsals all years	Open for rehearsals all years	Year 9 -13 rehearsals
Lunch time	Year 9 -13 rehearsals	Open for rehearsals all years	Open for rehearsals all years	Open for rehearsals all years	Year 9 -13 rehearsals
After School 3:05 MS		Free fall Dance Company (MS) Mrs Duffy Year 9 - 13 Dance	EVOLUTION Dance Company (MS) Chloe & Mrs Duffy Year 7 & 8 Boys	DARK MATTER Dance Company (MS) Chloe & Mrs Duffy Year 9 Boys	



Cake Sale for European Youth Project

One of our Year 11 students, Lauren, was raising money last week for a trip as part of a European Youth Project to explore culture through theatre and her cake sale raised almost £78.



Lost Property

Thank you to all the parents and students who continue to use our lost property email address and for naming so many items, this is a huge help to us.

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 we can them promptly.

Students are always welcome to look through lost property at the start of the day from 8.30am then at any break time or at the end of day. Lost property is based in the Heads of Year Office.

Please remind all students missing any uniform, equipment or other items to come and check **all lost property items**. We have a few remaining items and these will be discarded at the end of term.

If your child has lost any jewellery over the last year then please encourage them to come to the Head of Year with a description and when it was lost to try and reunite items by the end of term.

Mrs T McCrorie, Curriculum Support Assistant

School Dining Hall

Please see the menu for next week.

Please note that dishes may be changed at short notice due to availability and other extenuating circumstances.

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

The Brakenhale School					
Summer Term : WEEK COMMENCING : 10 June, 1 July					
Week 1.	Meat Free MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Hot Main Meal	British Farm Assured Vegetarian Lasagne	British Farm Assured Chicken Korma, Mango Chutney	British Farm Assured Roast Gammon	Meatballs in a Rich Tomato Sauce	MSC (Marine Stewardship Council) Battered Fish
Hot Vegetarian Meal (V)	Roasted Vegetable Frittata	Vegetable Korma	Cauliflower and Broccoli Cheese Bake	Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake	Vegetarian Pizza
Carbohydrate	Garlic Bread	Pilaf Rice	Roast Potatoes	Penne Pasta	Chips
Vegetables	Green Salad Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Roasted Mixed Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Peas or Baked Beans
Pudding	Syrup Sponge and Vanilla Custard	Cold Gateaux of the day	Apple Crumble and Custard	Chocolate Muffins	Selection of Cold Desserts

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, Veggie Pats and Fruit Salads (F)

(V) Suitable for Vegetarians
(F) Cooked Product in our 60/60/60


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

Maths Puzzle & Countdown

A81

As one of the numbers is zero
the answer must be 0.

Q84




If five spiders can catch five flies in five minutes, how many spiders are required to catch a hundred flies in a hundred minutes ?

Brakenhale does
#12

Each week, a new puzzle for literacy and numeracy will come out. Mrs Lewis and Mrs Harbour have teamed up to bring you... Countdown!

Students who get the right answers to us, will be rewarded with achievement points and we will keep a special log to see, over time, who our Brakenhale geniuses are. Please put answers in the box on reception. Deadline is every Wednesday.




Literacy	ANSWERS	Numeracy
<p>Make the longest word from the anagram below.</p> <p>m o n o l a w k</p> <p>moonwalk</p>	<p>75 25 50 100 1 5</p>	<p>Can you guess the anagram below from the cryptic clue?</p> <p>Up on tippy-toes... ballerina</p> <p>r e l a n l i b a</p> <p> $5 \times 75 = 375$ $375 + 25 = 400$ $400 - 1 = 399$ $100 - 50 = 2$ $2 \times 399 = 798$ </p> <p>798</p>

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<p>Make the longest word from the anagram below.</p> <p>s t o r m u c e</p>	<p>1 7 2 7 1 3</p>
<p>Can you guess the anagram below from the cryptic clue?</p> <p>A business opportunity...</p> <p>c h i a f n a s r</p>	<p>179</p>

Don't forget Maths Encryption and Coding Wednesday lunchtime club for anyone who may be interested in encryption and coding.

Ms L Harbour, Maths Teacher

Brakenhale PTA School Lottery

Congratulations to the prize draw winners this week.

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to our school lottery. We are 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.

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 21st June

Period 17/06/2019 to 21/06/2019

Year Group	%
Year 7	93.2 %
Year 8	93.6 %
Year 9	94.6 %
Year 10	93.7 %
Year 11	95.6 %

Brakenhale's Overall Attendance for Period: 17/06/2019 to 21/06/2019
94.8 %

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Week Ending 21st June

Period 01/09/2019 to 21/06/2019

Year Group	%
Year 7	95.8 %
Year 8	94.2 %
Year 9	94 %
Year 10	94.4 %
Year 11	100 %

Brakenhale Attendance Year to Date
94.8 %

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

Dear Parents/Carers

You may have seen, if you have accessed our fundraising page, that MyDonate is closing today. We are in the process of setting up a fundraising page with Virgin Money, which is another low cost site. When the new page is available, I will ensure that details are sent out by a schoolcomms message.

Following the poor response to the Family Community Walk, the PTA is organising a sponsored walk for students in Year 7 on Monday 8th July. You can sponsor students by clicking on the link below

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/brakenhaleschool>

I want to alert you to an event that we are planning for next term. We are going to hold a second hand clothes sale, selling several categories of clothing, including:

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

In order to support us, please could you put aside any clothes (women's, men's and children's) or home textiles (curtains, bedlinen, 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. In September, we will give you a date from which you can bring sacks of clothing in to school or we will collect them from you. More details will be available early next term, including the date of the event.

Finally, I have not previously had the chance to thank our amazing student Jamie Prior (and his parents for supporting him) for raising £350 at the end of May. To do this he put himself through the enduring task of running the Yorkshire Three Peaks Challenge. Well done to Jamie for supporting your school for a second time. Everyone at school is proud of him.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me if you have fundraising ideas: fundraising@brakenhale.co.uk

With thanks,

Karen Roche, Chair of the governing body

Walk with Us! New Build Fundraising!

As part of our fundraising endeavours to equip our new building, we are participating in the Easthampstead Rotary Club Bracknell Family Walk Together on Sunday 7th July. We are hoping that as many of our parents, students, staff and their families, friends and neighbours will participate and gain sponsorship for our school. You can walk between 9am and 2pm and there will also be some fun activities going on during the day.

If you are willing to take part, you will need to register by following the link:

<https://uk.patronbase.com/SouthHillPark/Productions/Q160/Performances>

Registration costs £5 per adult and is free for children under 14.

I can organise a sponsorship page for you, providing you with a link that you can share with family and friends – you will not need to fill in forms, or collect money. You will just need to e-mail me at fundraising@brakenhale.co.uk to let me know that you have registered.

The Rotary Club will award monetary prizes to the charity that has the most participants and the individual that raises the most money. We are hoping it will be a great day and that many of you will join us.

Karen Roche, Chair of Governors



Creative Writing

Igniting Writing, a creative writing group for 11-18 year olds, is leading a series of creative writing workshops in the summer holidays. The details of the workshops are as follows:

- Fan-fiction creative writing workshop, Saturday 27th July, 10:30am to 3: 00pm at Wokingham Library (£5 charge to attend)
- Fairy tale creative writing workshop, Saturday 3rd August, 10:30am to 3:00pm at Wokingham Library (£5 charge to attend)
- Sci-fi settings creative writing session, Saturday 10th August, 11:00am to 12:00pm at Bracknell Library (free to attend)
- Sci-fi world-building creative writing session, Saturday 17th August, 11:00am to 12:00pm at Bracknell Library (free to attend)
- Sci-fi characters creative writing session, Saturday 24th August, 11:00am to 12:00pm at Bracknell Library (free to attend)
- Sci-fi plots creative writing session, Saturday 31st August, 11:00am to 12:00pm at Bracknell Library (free to attend)

Each session will include a fun mix writing activities, group discussion and writing tips to help spark the group's imaginations.



ACTION CALENDAR: JOYFUL JUNE 2019

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<p>"Every day may not be good, but there is something good in every day" ~ Alice Morse Earle</p>						
1 Re-frame a worry and try to find a positive way to respond	2 Thank someone for the joy they have brought into your life	3 Do something today which you know will make you feel good	4 Ask someone what brings them joy and listen to their answer	5 Make a plan with friends to do something fun together	6 Find the joy in music today: sing, play, dance or listen	7 Do three things to bring joy to other people today
8 Write a gratitude letter to thank someone for what they did	9 Try to say something positive every time you walk into a room	10 Spread joy: Give flowers or help to brighten someone's day	11 See the upside in a difficult situation you learnt from	12 Cook your favourite food and enjoy it (with others if possible)	13 Go outside and find the joy in doing something active	14 Rediscover a fun childhood activity that you can enjoy today
15 Think of 3 things you're grateful for and write them down	16 Make time to do something playful today, just for the fun of it	17 Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it	18 Make a list of favourite memories you feel grateful for	19 Send a positive note to a friend who needs encouragement	20 Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh	21 Share a happy memory with someone who means a lot to you
22 Create a playlist of favourite songs and enjoy them	23 Eat food that makes you feel good and really savour it	24 Take a light-hearted approach. Choose to see the funny side	25 Be kind to you. Treat yourself the way you would treat a friend	26 Notice how positive emotions are contagious between people	27 Make a list of the joys in your life (and keep adding to them)	28 Remember: joy is portable - so you can always take it with you!

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

www.actionforhappiness.org

Find out more about the Ten Keys to Happier Living, including books, guides, posters and more here: www.actionforhappiness.org/10-keys

Boosting Aspirations for Young People with SEND

This seminar is supported by BASE/Elevate, which aims to raise employment aspirations across Berkshire through the European Social funded project, 'Employment is Everyone's Business'. The project seeks to identify and promote best practice in the transition from education to employment

To confirm a place please email: Laura.davis@base-uk.org or telephone: 07879492630

Sessions :

Wednesday 3rd July 2019
 18.45pm- 20.45pm
 Venue: Bracknell Open Learning Centre, Rectory Lane, Bracknell, RG12 7GR

The sessions will cover:

- Experiences of People in achieving employment
- What the evidence base says works
- What does good support look like?
- Discussion – what more can be done in Berkshire to boost ambition in the system



Feedback Initiative

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

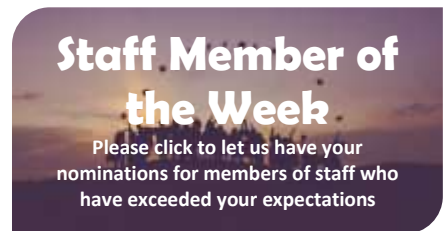
Electronic submission:



[Fab](#)



[Drab](#)



[Staff Member of the Week](#)

Ms Coley, Headteacher

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](#).

Don't forget to shop through www.easyfundraising.org.uk to effortlessly help raise money for the school!



Water Bottles

Could we please remind you that students need to have a NAMED re-usable water bottle to keep hydrated.

Brakenhale logo water bottles are available to purchase from the Head of Year Office, print room and main reception for the cost of £2.00.

We are unable to provide single use plastic cups for water during the hot weather for students.

Any lost or unclaimed bottles will be taken to the Head of Year Office, along with all other lost property.

Many Thanks

Mrs T McCrorie, Curriculum Support Assistant



Current Vacancies

We have the following exciting opportunities at Brakenhale. Please see the website for more details. <http://brakenhale.co.uk/about/vacancies/>

- Maths Teacher
- Deputy Nursery Manager
- Nursery Assistant
- Graduate in Science

Events and Notices

French Club
Wednesday 15:15 – 16:05
Room C03

In French Club we are going to be reading a world famous French book called 'Le Petit Prince' by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry!



This is the most translated French book in the world and was voted the best book of the 20th century in France.

It is the story of a grown-up meeting his inner child, embodied by a Little Prince.

We will be reading the book, watching the film and playing games!

Brakenhale School Trips
 High Expectations and Challenge

Bawdsey Manor
 Suffolk, England



Striving to take students' learning outside the classroom through off-site activities and trips, to give students the exciting opportunity to bond and enjoy time together outside of the school.

Next exciting Key Stage 2 PGL adventure weekend for Years 2, 3 and 4:

BAWDSEY MANOR
 Woodbridge, Suffolk
 Friday 5th July to Sunday 7th July 2019

- Activity Centre with various built accommodation blocks around outdoor courtyard
- On-site indoor climbing 4-6 people (climbing bag rental included)
- £2000 per student - covering insurance, travel, accommodation, meals, activities and entertainment

Some of the activities available are:

Abseiling, Archery, Canoeing, Climbing, Crate Challenge, Focussing, Jacob's Ladder, Low Level Ropes Course, Raft Building, Sports and Team Games, Vertical Challenge Zip Wires, Water Sports



BRAKENHALE SCHOOL
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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: apeacock@brakenhale.co.uk to find out more!

Anti-Bullying

We are here to help!

Daily support during lunchtimes is available from your trained Diana Award Anti-Bullying Ambassadors:

• Ethan Ryan	• Charlotte Fotherby
• Holly Ryan	• Georgia Harrington
• Leanna Palmer	• Aina Marini
• Callan Harding	• Jade Daniel
• Frank Willet	• Chloe Hawkins
• Wilma Anne O'Keefe	• Amy Coplin
• Luke Simpson	• Mia Rose Howthorn

Available every day in the SSC at lunchtime

Daily support available from trained Anti-Bullying Ambassadors available in the SSC.

We are here to help!!!

Loss of 5 groups after bullying, and every single one of them says 'I'm sorry'.

From the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors: 27x weekly support available in the SSC.



TUESDAYS ALL YEARS WELCOME
 'til 4 in C06



TEXTILES CLUB
 WITH MRS FALUYI

The Brakenhale Vocal Group



Thursday 3:05 - 4:05
LS1

ESTEEM

MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AFFECT US ALL

Managing feelings, emotions and mental wellbeing can be challenging for anyone. So, whether you are up, down or going round and round, why not come and meet up for a chat about how you're feeling; doing, or anything else you want to share.

Talk is cheap, but the rewards are priceless!

EVERY THURSDAY @ 1.30PM
LUNCHTIMES
LS1

Do you want to experiment with new materials? Try out new techniques? Work on fun group projects?

ART CLUB IS FOR YOU

Art Club runs every **THURSDAY 3:05pm-4:05pm**

All Students are welcome!
 Location: A02



Camera Club



Do you like taking photographs?
 Do you want to be part of an elite photographic team?
 Then you should join CAMERA CLUB!

When? Monday lunchtimes LS1 - LS2pm
 Where? B17
 When? Afternoon sessions Year 7 to 10

Future Events and Notices

Future Diary Dates

- * Please note that all events may be subject to change*
- Sunday 7th July **South Hill Park Sponsored Walk, 9am-2pm**
 - Monday 8th July **Year 7 Sponsored Walk, 11.30am-3pm**
 - Year 10 Geography Field Trip**
 - Year 7 End of Year Exams**
 - Dance Show, 6-7.30pm**
 - Wednesday 10th July **Sports Day**
 - STOP Parenting Meeting**
 - Monday 15th July **Art & Technology Exhibition, 4.30-7pm**
 - Tuesday 16th July **Summer Awards**
 - Wednesday 17th July **Year 10 Thorpe Park Trip**
 - Friday 19th July **Last day of term for students**

Term Dates

Term Dates 2018-19

SUMMER TERM 2019

Term dates for students:

Tuesday 23rd April to Friday 19th July

(Inset Days: Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd July)

Summer Half Term – Monday 27th to Friday 31st May

Last day of Summer Term for students – Friday 19th July

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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