



Dear Parents/Carers

This week, Mr Corry has delivered assemblies to all students on the theme of 'deal or no deal'. There was a little mention of Brexit but the main focus was on the opportunities that students have but the deal they have to agree to take advantage of them. By being a part of #teamBrakenhale, students sign up to the 'school deal' and are expected to comply with the rules. There was lots of nodding of heads and knowing smiles as he spoke to all students. Let's hope the Government is able to get a deal as easily as we do from our students!

It has been a week of opportunity for many students. On Wednesday, Miss Cmok took some of our students involved in the mock trials to Reading Magistrates Court. After a little confusion from Google Maps they arrived safely and were able to get an understanding of how the court worked. This will set them up well for the upcoming Mock Trials Competition. This competition is attended by a variety of local public and private schools who take part in a trial where they get to experience the different roles involved including the prosecution and defence lawyers. Wednesday also saw a group of Year 10 students, accompanied by Mrs Masson, attend a visit to Oxford University as part of a national initiative called 'The Brilliant Club'. Some of our students returned convinced that they would be applying to attend Oxford and we will wholeheartedly support this dream. There are some photographs later in the newsletter from this trip.

Wednesday was particularly busy as we also held Part 1 of our Year 8 parents' evening with the second part being held on Thursday. This was the first time that we had split the parents' evening and held it in our Sixth Form Centre rather than in the main hall. The initial feedback was that it was much easier to hear and in general both staff and parents found the whole experience to be better. If you have any further feedback for us to consider please do email the school.

We were visited on Thursday by the Globe Theatre Players who treated our Year 10 students to a production of Macbeth. This is the second year they have joined us and enabled the students to view an alternative interpretation of the play. The students all really enjoyed it once again! Thank you to Mr Anderson for organising this.

Finally, on Saturday our second rehearsal will be taking place for 'We will Rock You'. From the snippets we are hearing we are looking forward to the actual production next month.

Just a reminder again in asking for your support in nominating the school in any category that you feel is relevant in the Pride of Bracknell Forest Awards taking place in March. The deadline for nominations is Sunday 10th February. We receive so much amazing feedback from you and this would be a formal way for you to acknowledge this.

It would be remiss to not give a shout out to Mr Beukes, Mr Briggs, Miss Manning and Mr Kingston for spending all of last weekend at an army training camp gaining their qualifications needed to run our Combined Cadet Force. It was a gruelling 48 hours and ended with a significant assessment that they did not realise they were going to have to sit! I am so grateful to them for giving up more of their own time to enable us to lead this fantastic initiative at Brakenhale.



Thank you for all your support in purchasing tickets for Reading Football club for the match that was held on 12th January under the Grassroots scheme. We were the top performing school at this game which is fantastic! In an effort to continue to raise funds for the school I would like to encourage you to book tickets for the Rotherham United match on Saturday 23rd February through this scheme. Please see the information further on in parent news for all the booking details. Thank you again for all your support – fundraising like this helps to provide extra educational tools for our students.

Students of the week:

Grace Horn in Post 16 – She has worked really hard in setting up the tuck shop this year so far, and has even helped to set up a card reader with Mr Boucher and Mrs Perryman.

Connie Burgess in 9N – A massive congratulations to Connie who has just got her distinction in her grade 5 musical theatre LAMDA examination.

FAB feedback this week:

Thank you for this week's email and assemblies about mobile phone use. It's reassuring to know the school take the same stance as we do at home and it helps to reinforce the important messages.

DRAB feedback this week:

Sent email in to school regarding the wellbeing of our daughter at school but no response back from school regarding our concerns. Homework set and expected in the following day still not collected a week later.

- *I am very sorry that you had no reply, this is certainly not my expectation. Please forward the email to headteacher@brakenhale.co.uk. I have spoken to all staff regarding homework, marking and feedback please email me if the situation does not improve.*

Staff member of the week:

Mr Dean	Great Maths Teacher. The best teacher in the world. Best teacher ever. So kind and supportive.
Mr Boucher	For actually listening to advice and taking it to test, also getting me into new sports that I enjoy.
Miss Burrows	She is a really good teacher, and when I sometimes need help she will help me out.
Mrs Raby	For making dance lessons so fun, and just for being an amazing teacher overall.
Miss Caiafa	Best teacher for French. Want her to teach us again.
Mr George	He is a very nice teacher.
Mrs Gibbons	An amazing tutor and great role model.

Motivational quote for next week:

'Have patience. Everything is difficult before it becomes easy.'

Have a lovely weekend.

Jane Coley, Headteacher

What's on next week

Tuesday 29 th January	:	Student Council Elections
	:	STOP Meeting, 9-11am
Thursday 31 st January	:	Year 9 Options Evening, 6-7.30pm Presentations at 6pm and 7pm

February Learn a

Friday 1st February 2019

Word of the Day

Challenge for all years:
Use this word during the day, verbally or in your writing in a full sentence and you will be gifted a token. Hand all the tokens that you collect in to Main Reception and the student with the most tokens will receive a prize.

KS3 only:
Make a note of all new words learned on this day, hand in to Mrs. Lewis and the student with the most words will also receive a prize.
Good Luck and I hope you learn lots of new words today :)

Liberation
[NOUN] The action of setting someone or something free from imprisonment, slavery or oppression; release.
Freedom from limits on thought or behaviour.

Word Day

Top 6 spoken languages at Brakenhale:

- Polish - oswobodzenie
- Akan - ahofoadie / faahodie
- Filipino - pagpapalaya
- Italian - liberazione
- Romanian - eliberare
- Portuguese - libertação

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 3 PGL adventure weekend for Years 7, 8 and 9:

BAWDSEY MANOR

Woodbridge, Suffolk

Friday 5th July to Sunday 7th July 2019

- Activity Centre with purpose-built accommodation blocks around outdoor courtyards.
- En-suite rooms sleeping 4-6 people (sleeping bag required)
- £180.00 per student - covering insurance, travel, accommodation, meals, activities and entertainment

Some of the activities available are:

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



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 at Brakenhale

We are here to help!

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

- Ethan Nunn
- Molly Penn
- Leanne Palmer
- Callum Harding
- Pixie Willett
- Niketa Amar Dhapar
- Jodie Simpson
- Danielle Rabulan
- Georgina Harrington
- Asha Munissi
- Jade Daniel
- Chloe Hawkins
- Amy Cogdon
- Mia-Rose Hawthorne

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!!!

Even if you're unsure of anything, it's always better to say than sorry.

1 out of 5 people suffer from bullying, and every single one of them needs help.

STOP! BULLYING

Brakenhale Presents...

SCHOOLS WILL ROCK YOU

The Musical

Wednesday 27th February 2019
Thursday 28th February 2019

Tickets will be available soon
Please book early to avoid disappointment

Please note change of date

The Brakenhale Vocal Group



Thursday 3:05 - 4:05

LS1

ESTEEM

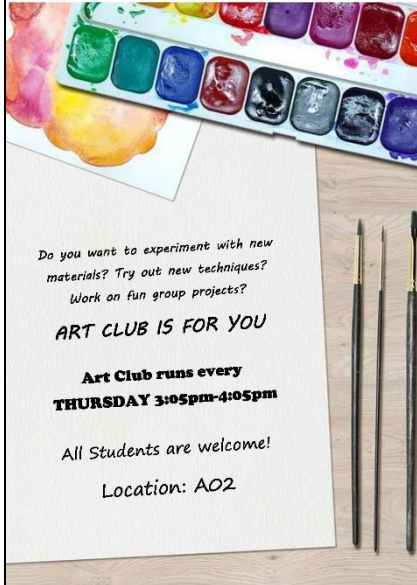
MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AFFECT US ALL

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 1.25 - 1.55pm

Where? B17

Who? Anyone is welcome from Year 7 to 13

Maths Puzzle of the Week


We hope you enjoyed last week’s puzzle. We only had 2 students who handed in answers, one of which was right and the other almost right, so well done to you.

Lots of you may have missed the puzzle last week, why don’t you try your luck and have a go this week!

Answers to Mrs Harbour in M13 please before the end of next Thursday please. The solutions will follow in next week’s newsletter.

This week’s puzzle 54: 25th January

Q54



A man sets out on a journey.
 On the first day he covers half the journey.
 On the second day he covers a third of the remaining distance.
 On the third day he covers one third of the remaining distance,
 On the fourth day he covers one half of the remaining distance.
 If he then has 37 miles left to travel, how far has he travelled so far ?

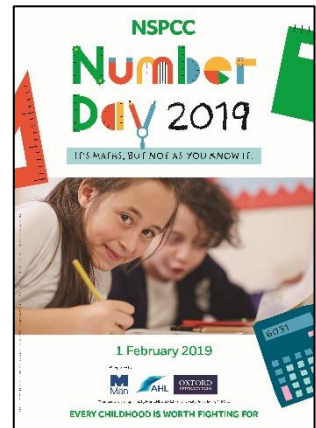
Last week’s answer 52: 18th January

A52

(a) 111
 (b) $2^{22} = 4194304$
 (c) $4^{4^4} = 4294967296$ working as $(4^4)^4$
 or =
 13407807929942597099574024998205846127
 4793658205923933772356144372176403007
 35469768018742981669034276900318581864
 860508537538828119465699464336490060840
 96 (This is all one number.)
 working as $4^{(4^4)}$

Next Friday, 1st February, is NSPCC Number Day. I will be organising activities in M13 over lunchtime and there will also be a number-related competition for students to enter. The cost of entry will be a donation and there will be a prize for the winner. All proceeds from the day will be given to the NSPCC so your contributions will be gratefully received.

Ms L Harbour, Maths Teacher



Macbeth brought to life

The whole of Year 10 were treated to an abridged version of Macbeth today, with @theglobeplayers bringing this key GCSE text alive and helping to explore the key themes and ideas. This is a fantastic advantage to our students as they prepare for their exams.



Mr I Anderson, English

Performing Arts

We are always delighted when our students are recognised for their abilities.

- <https://www.southhillpark.org.uk/2019/01/interview-with-young-rising-star-keir-buist/>
- Connie Burgess in 9N has just been awarded a distinction in her grade 5 musical theatre LAMDA examination, well done Connie.

Mrs C Duffy, Head of Performing Arts

Student Band



Red Tape Resistance are a band from Bracknell who play a mixture of originals and covers in their sets which encompasses music from rock, heavy rock and alternative genres.

They range in age from 14 to 16 and play all around Berkshire and beyond. Year 11 student Conor O'Grady and Agu Mancini in Year 12 make up half the band and they are pleased to announce that their EP 'The Devil's in the Detail' is now out on all major platforms and streaming services such as Spotify, Apple music, Deezer etc.

They often play at The Acoustic Couch in Bracknell but their next advertised gig is at the O2 Academy Islington on Friday 8th February.

Camera Club Update

This week's Camera Club had another 3 new members, which was wonderful to see! As always, new people are very welcome to come along on a Monday lunchtime to B17 to talk about all things photographic.

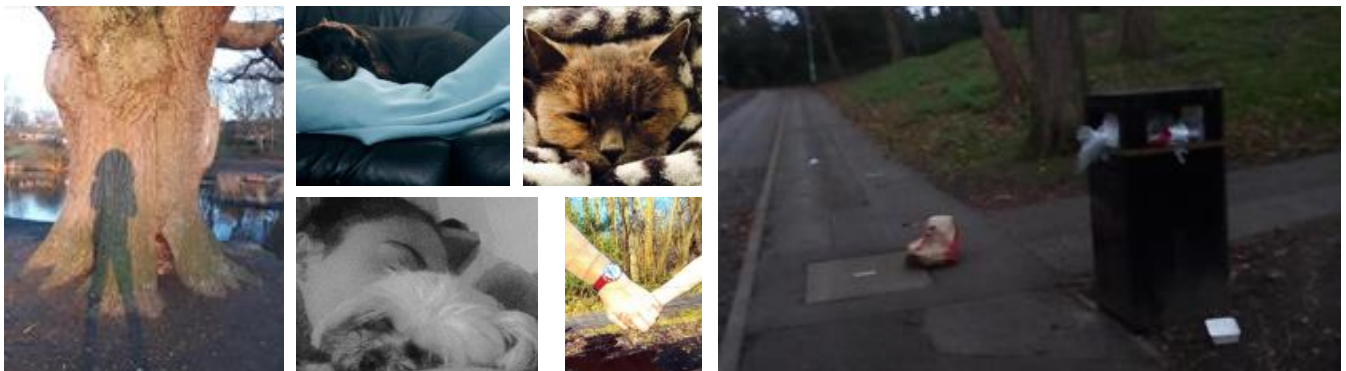


This week's challenge was to capture an emotion or a feeling in a photograph; we had fun trying to work out what each image represented! Emilie D in Year 9 completely stumped the whole club with her image of a shadow - can you guess what it represents? We had some lovely images of love, warmth and general well-being from Navannah H and Oliver M in Year 7, Sky L in Year 9 and Amy H in Year 10 and also this image from Basia W in Year 7, which made us all cross when we saw it, so it not only summed up her feeling but also generated an emotion!

Next week's challenge is to take an abstract photograph of something so that it is difficult to tell what it is. Think about getting close-up to your subject or try a different viewpoint or angle.

Camera Club is every Monday lunchtime in B17 and all students are welcome.

Miss Wilhelmy, Teacher in Charge of Art & Photography



Oxford Trip

The Brilliant Club



12 Year 9 students have been selected to take part in The Brilliant Club scholar program and went on their launch trip on Wednesday. We have been lucky enough to be paired with Exeter College, University of Oxford. The students had a fantastic day, learning about the course, Oxford University and having a tour of the beautiful building that Oxford University lies in.

All students were a credit to the school all day and participated excellently in the tasks. One student said "I thought that the trip was very, very interesting and it gave me a great insight on university life and how it works".

The students also had their first tutorial with their tutor, a PhD student from Oxford University, who will be working with them on developing skills to explore whether or not an island can completely disappear due to climate change and rising sea levels.

Mrs C Masson, Higher Ability Coordinator

Anti Bullying

You may remember that back in October 2018, fourteen students went to The Cleeve School in Cheltenham to attend 'The Diana Award Anti Bullying Ambassador training day'. This campaign was set up in memory of Princess Diana to engage young people, parents and teachers to change the attitudes, behaviour and culture of bullying by building skills and confidence to address different situations, both online and offline.

It was an amazing experience for us all and we left the event acquiring more knowledge surrounding this issue, with an eagerness to make a difference.

With that said, we have developed a plan of action and have started our journey towards this incredible cause. The Anti - Bullying Ambassador team have placed postcards with positive messages on them in various places around the school with the hope that we may shed positivity to those in need of it as well as creating a sense of community - living with the idea that there is always someone out there who will listen. Posters have also been placed around the school to create awareness and enlighten everyone with the school's newly developed, student led, Anti - Bullying team.

Ms Manisier has provided the team with safeguarding training to ensure that all the students who are spoken to and situations that are dealt with, are dealt with only the best solutions. Lunch time sessions are on the go for those who require extra support in this field and need a listening ear or just time to unwind in a positive and friendly atmosphere. In the near future the Anti - Bullying Ambassador team aim to visit primary schools in the local area to advertise the notion of our school's tolerance to bullying, and attempt to relay confidence to those coming up to secondary school. Not just as a school, but as a wider community, we can make a change to this if we all just work together. Something as small as smiling at someone and just generally being kind can be the start to making this difference.

Danielle Rabulan, Year 12 Student



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

- Ethan Nunn
- Molly Penn
- Leanne Palmer
- Callum Harding
- Pixie Willett
- Niketa Amar Dhupar
- Jodie Simpson
- Danielle Rabulan
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Available every day in the SSC at lunchtime

PE

Another cold week for the PE department and with some snow, it made a very interesting week for fixtures and lessons.

Year 7 and 8 Netball

On Tuesday the Year 7 and 8 Netball Team were meant to be playing Sandhurst however due to the snow and the puddles they were creating on the floor Sandhurst decided it was unsafe to play. So instead both teams headed inside to the sports hall and completed a training session. All of the girls worked extremely hard and hopefully found it useful so that they are ready for their next game.

Year 11 Football - Brakenhale 1-1 Maiden Erlegh

The snow played havoc here too, coming down throughout the game and stopping both teams from getting a passing game going. Brakenhale lost possession in midfield and were made to pay as the opposition's right back burst into the box and slotted a near post. 0-1 in a half filled with hard work but minimal chances.

In the second half Maiden Erlegh enjoyed more possession with some great passes and move on show. Eventually Brakenhale got into the game and started to apply pressure in the opposition half. Alfie H was denied by a great last ditch tackle before Owen G turned a defender in the box from a long throw, snapping a shot which was parried on the goal line for the on rushing Michael G to equalize. 1-1.

Brakenhale could have felt unlucky not to win the game with Alfie and Ethan B having good chances saved, whilst the Maiden Erlegh striker was a couple of yards away from being onside and grabbing a winner too. A well deserved point for both teams who dealt with the conditions superbly and gave everything.



Year 10 Football

On cold January evening the Year 10 football boys travelled across the county through snow and sleet to face a formidable opposition in the form of St Bartholomew. The boys in burgundy played courageously in the first half only to concede one goal you one could only describe as the 'jammiest' goal this coach has ever seen in his 12 years of teaching. Going into the shed 1-0 down away from home wasn't a bad effort considering the conditions were similar to that which Shackleton had to face. During the second half the touring party definitely had their fair share of opportunities to equalize. Unfortunately, as so often happens in the beautiful game, the other team seem to get all the luck and scored a goal against the run of play. From then the moment never shifted and the final goal of the match went to the team that already had all the dots next to their name. Alas, the boys from Bracknell went down 3-0. Brakenhale can be proud of their effort and on the day they were beaten by the better team. We wish St Barts all the best in the Cup as we now turn on our attention on winning the League.

Year 7 and 8 Indoor Athletics and Year 10 Leaders

At the time of writing this event has not happened so a full write up will be in next week's parent news.

Year 7 Netball v Kings

This game was postponed on Thursday due to Kings not being able to get a team together. So it was not a good week on the netball front with the snow falling and then not being able to play. Fingers crossed next week will be better.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

The PE department apologise for a number of clubs being cancelled this week and at short notice - this is due to staff illness and parents' evening. We do try to keep all the clubs on, however sometimes this is not always possible. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.



Fixtures for next week

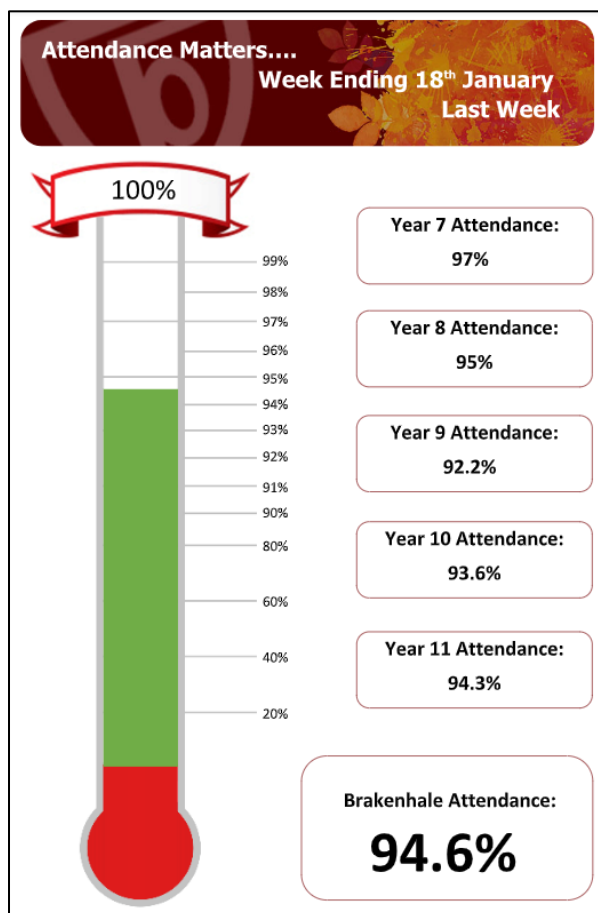
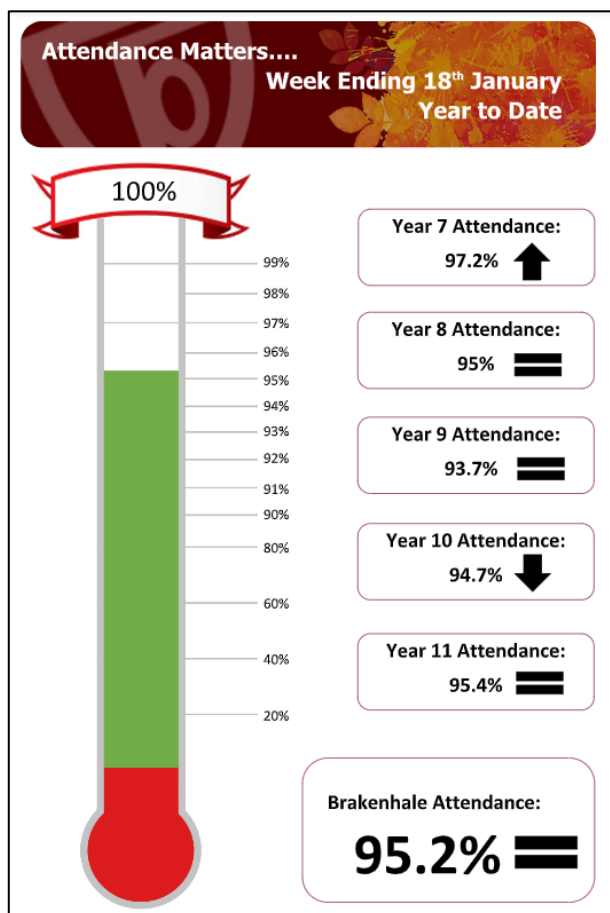
As you can see it is another busy week for the PE department. Remember if you get selected to play in a match and can't play, you need to tell the staff member in charge as soon as possible.

Date	Year	Sport	Versus	Location	Start/Finish	Staff
28.01.19	10	Netball	Ranelagh	Ranelagh	3.45/5.00	LWI
29.01.19	6th Form	Football	Holyport	Holyport	2.30/5.00	CMY
30.01.19	10	Football	Bulmershe	Brakenhale	3.15/4.30	RBE
30.01.19	8	Football	Piggott	Piggott	3.15/5.45	CMY
31.01.19	11	Football	Garth	Brakenhale	3.15/5.00	JBO

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

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.



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.

Miss Shill, Attendance Officer

Feedback Initiative

Electronic submission:

[Fab](#) [Drab](#) [Staff Member of the Week](#)

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

Ms Coley, Headteacher



Fundraising



Please remember the Lexicon Bracknell Half Marathon: Sunday 12th May 2019 has been confirmed as the date of the Lexicon Bracknell Half Marathon.

If you are entering, please considering raising money for our cause. We can help you by providing T-shirts and managing your sponsorship. Please contact me at fundraising@brakenhale.co.uk for more information.

In addition, we would like as many of you as possible (parents and kids) to join Mrs Coley and I in a fundraising community walk on Sunday 19th May. The walk will start at South Hill Park and is about 5k (I think!) I will be able to give you more information in due course so watch this space.

Please don't forget to visit our MyDonate page:

<https://mydonate.bt.com/events/iwanttobuysomefurniture/472468#>

With thanks,

Karen Roche, Chair of the governing body

fundraising@brakenhale.co.uk

Extra Curricular Clubs

Well done to the many students who take part in a variety of after school clubs on a regular basis and who contribute to house points in doing so. It is lovely to see so many students taking part with such enthusiasm.

NON-SPORTING EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS - SPRING TERM 2018-19

DAY	TIME	CLUB	YEAR GROUP	LOCATION	TEACHER IN CHARGE
Monday	1.25 - 2.00	Camera Club	All Years	B17	Miss Wilhelmy
	1.25 - 2.00	BBE (Brakenhale Brains Explore) Club	KS3 (invite only)	M14	Mrs Masson
	1.25 - 2.00	PE Exam Club	Year 11	tbc	Mr Potter
	3.05 – 4.00	Homework Club	All Years	LRC	Mrs Daniels
	3.10 – 4.15	Tech Club (21/1/19 – 1/4/19)	Year 11	T05	Mr Esling
Tuesday	1.25 - 2.00	“Identity” LGBT+ Group	All Years	T03/4	Mrs Gibbons/ Mrs Lewis
	1.25 – 2.00	“We Will Rock You” Singing Rehearsal	Cast only	Drama Studio	Mrs Duffy/Mrs Raby/ Mrs Hope
	1.30 - 2.00	Brakenhale Bugle (Student Newsletter)	All Years	C14	Mrs Keljarrett
	3.05 – 4.00	Homework Club	All Years	LRC	Mrs Daniels
	3.05 – 4.00	Textiles Club	All Years	C06	Mrs Faluyi
	3.05 – 4.30	“We Will Rock You” Drama Rehearsal	Cast only	Drama Studio	Mrs Duffy/Mrs Raby/ Mrs Hope
Wednesday	1.25 – 2.00	“We Will Rock You” Singing Rehearsal	Cast only	Drama Studio	Mrs Duffy/Mrs Raby/ Mrs Hope
	3.05 – 4.00	Homework Club	All Years	LRC	Mrs Daniels
	3.15 - 4.00	French Club	Years 7/8/9	C03	Miss Appleton
	3.05 – 4.30	“We Will Rock You” Drama Rehearsal	Cast only	Drama Studio	Mrs Duffy/Mrs Raby/ Mrs Hope
Thursday	1.25 – 2.00	“We Will Rock You” Singing Rehearsal	Cast only	Drama Studio	Mrs Duffy/Mrs Raby/ Mrs Hope
	3.05 – 4.00	Homework Club	All Years	LRC	Mrs Daniels
	3.05 - 4.05	Dungeons and Dragons	All Years	C11	Mrs Cresswell
	3.05 - 4.05	Vocal Group	All Years	LS1	Mrs Hope
	3.10 – 4.00	Art Club	All Years	AO2	Mr Budden/Mrs Faluyi
	3.05 – 4.30	“We Will Rock You” Drama Rehearsal	Cast only	Drama Studio	Mrs Duffy/Mrs Raby/ Mrs Hope
Friday	1.25 - 2.00	BBE (Brakenhale Brains Explore) Club	KS3 (invite only)	M14	Mrs Masson
	1.25 – 2.00	Drama Group	Year 9	Drama Studio	Mrs Raby
	3.05 – 4.00	Homework Club	All Years	LRC	Mrs Daniels

Students should check with the Teacher in Charge to sign up to clubs

PE EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES - SPRING TERM 2018-19

PE EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
Half Term 3 - 2018-2019

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BEFORE SCHOOL (0710 – 0800) Full kit needed to participate	Fitness ***Staff only*** Gym LRU	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 only Gym RBE	Fitness ***Staff only*** Gym LWI	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 Only Gym CMY	Fitness ***Staff only*** Gym JBO
LUNCH (1330-1355) TRAINERS only needed to participate	***Sports Hall Closed*** GCSE PE Study Sessions PE Office	Table Tennis KS4 Sports Hall LWI	Cricket KS4 Sports Hall MPO	Table Tennis KS3 Sports Hall RBE	Basketball KS3 and KS4 Sports Hall CMY Y10 GCSE PE Revision PE Office MPO
AFTER SCHOOL (1505-1630) Full kit needed to participate ***4pm for Trampolining***	Fitness (Mixed) Y10-13 only Gym RBE	Netball (Girls) All years Courts LWI/LRU Football Year 7 and 8 Field/Astro MPO/CMY	Football Year 9 and 11 Field/Astro EJA/JBO Badminton (Mixed) All years Sports Hall LRU	Football (Girls) All years Field/Astro CMY Football Year 10 Field/Astro RBE Trampolining (Mixed) All years Trampoline Centre JBO/MPO ***4pm Finish***	P6 PE Exam Course Study Sessions GCSE PE Revision (Year 11) BTEC L2 and L3 catch up (Years 10-13) 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.

DANCE EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES - SPRING TERM 2018-19

Extra-Curricular Dance Timetable

Starting from Monday 14th January



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break time	Year 10 -13 rehearsals	Open for rehearsals all years	Open for rehearsals all years	Open for rehearsals all years	Year 10 -13 rehearsals
Lunch time	Year 10 -13 rehearsals	DARK MATTER	Open for rehearsals all years	We Will Rock You Dance Rehearsals	Year 10 -13 rehearsals
After School 3:05 MS	Year 9 Dance Club (MS) Kiera Open to all of Year 9 STARTS 21/01/19	Year 11 BTEC Dance Rehearsals (MS) Mrs Duffy	We Will Rock You Dance Rehearsals (MS) Mrs Duffy Cast only	DARK MATTER Dance Company (MS) Mrs Duffy Year 9 Boys	Lift Off Rehearsals (MS) Mrs Duffy Invited group only
After School 3:05 JNS	Year 7 & 8 Dance Club (JNS) Jess & Mrs Duffy Open to all of Year 7 & 8	Year 11 Choreography Rehearsal (JNS) Charley GCSE group	Year 11 Choreography Rehearsal (JNS) Ellie GCSE group	Year 11 Choreography Rehearsal (JNS) Emily and Caitlin GCSE groups	

Events



operating theatre live

LIVE INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH REAL SPECIMENS

THE UK'S AWARD WINNING LIVE SURGERY EVENT FOR STUDENTS AGED 14-19

SATURDAY 6TH JULY 2019
THE BRAKENHALE SCHOOL
BERKSHIRE - RG12 7BA

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS AROUND THE SURROUNDING AREAS
WWW.OPERATINGTHEATRELIVE.CO.UK/PUBLICEVENTS



National Online Safety

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

#WakeUpWednesday

- Which apps/games are you using at the moment?**
THIS WILL GIVE YOU A GOOD OVERVIEW OF THE TYPES OF THINGS YOUR CHILDREN ARE USING ON THEIR DEVICES. TALKING WITH THEM INTERESTING. SOMEHOW THAT THEY DON'T WANT TO TALK, YOU SHOULD TALK THEM INTO IT IN A GOOD WAY. ASKING THEM TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THEIR DEVICES. BECAUSE NOW YOU ARE BEING HELD RESPONSIBLY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION OFTEN TO ENSURE YOU ARE UP TO DATE WITH WHAT THEY ARE DOING.
- Which websites do you enjoy using and why?**
BE IN THE TOP CORNER. ASKING THIS QUESTION WILL ALLOW YOU TO FIND OUT WHAT YOUR CHILD IS DOING ONLINE, AND ENCOURAGING POSITIVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THEIR ONLINE ACTIVITY. FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS, AND THERE IS A MESSAGE IN HOW THEY CAN USE THEM IN A POSITIVE WAY, ALSO ASKING THEM TO SHOW YOU IF POSSIBLE.
- How does this game/app work? Can I play?**
SHOW A GENUINE INTEREST IN WHAT THEY ARE DOING, WHILE YOU GET ALONG A GAME OR APP OR APP WITH THEM, IT IS IMPORTANT SOMETHING THAT THEY DON'T NECESSARILY THINK IS A GOOD IDEA TO THEM, IF THEY ACT LIKE THEY DON'T WANT TO SHARE THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH THE QUESTION WHY.
- Do you have any online friends?**
CHILDREN CAN FORM POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEOPLE ONLINE, AND THIS CAN BECOME MORE COMMON THAN IN THE REAL WORLD. BUT THEY MAY NOT BE FULLY UNDERSTANDING OF THE RISKS AND BENEFITS OF ONLINE FRIENDSHIPS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO TALK TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT ONLINE FRIENDSHIPS, AND HOW THEY CAN REPORT ANY ACTIVITY THAT THEY BELIEVE IS INAPPROPRIATE ONLINE.
- Do you know where to go for help?**
ALTHOUGH YOU MAY BE THE ADULT THEY TRUST THE MOST, SOME CHILDREN STRUGGLE TO TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS ONLINE. TO KNOW HOW TO REPORT IT. BECAUSE OF THIS, THE MORE YOU KNOW ABOUT THE ONLINE WORLD, WHO WHO IS HELPING, AND HOW TO REPORT IT TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT CONTACT, WHERE THEY CAN GO FOR HELP, AND HOW THEY CAN REPORT ANY ACTIVITY THAT THEY BELIEVE IS INAPPROPRIATE ONLINE.
- Do you know what your personal information is?**
YOUR CHILD MAY ALREADY KNOW WHAT THEIR PERSONAL INFORMATION IS BUT THEY MAY NOT KNOW HOW TO KEEP IT SAFE. ASKING THEM ABOUT WHAT PERSONAL INFORMATION IS AND HOW THIS CAN AFFECT THEM IF IT IS SHARED ONLINE. FOR PARENTS, IT IS IMPORTANT TO TALK TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT UNDERSTANDING THE IMPORTANCE OF SHARING CONTACT DETAILS ON SOCIAL MEDIA, AND UNDERSTANDING HOW TO KEEP THEM SAFE FROM OTHERS ONLINE.
- Do you know your limits?**
CHILDREN MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF SPENDING TOO MUCH TIME ON THEIR DEVICES. ASK THEM ABOUT THEIR HEALTHY HABITS AND HOW MUCH TIME THEY SPEND ON THEM. ASK THEM ABOUT THEIR HEALTHY HABITS AND HOW MUCH TIME THEY SPEND ON THEM. ASK THEM ABOUT THEIR HEALTHY HABITS AND HOW MUCH TIME THEY SPEND ON THEM.

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Reading FC and Bracknell Bees

Discounted Reading FC Tickets plus fantastic prizes to be won!

- Reading FC v Rotherham United on Saturday 23rd February 3pm Kick Off.
- Reading FC v Leeds United on Tuesday 12th March 8pm Kick Off.
- Reading FC v Brentford on Saturday 13th April 3pm Kick Off.
- Reading FC v Birmingham City on Sunday 5th May 12:30pm Kick Off.

The Reading FC School and Grassroots Ticketing Scheme also allows our School to raise much needed funds, as for every ticket you purchase, a percentage of the ticket is donated back to the school from Reading Football Club.

If our School/Club is successful, then we have the opportunity of winning some of the following prizes: Meet the first team players, Play on the Madejski Stadium pitch, Bonus towards our funding, Free Family Tickets, Signed items and much more!

How to Book: Reading FC sell 4 home league fixtures at a time throughout the season, and anyone wishing to book should check on sale dates via www.readingfc.co.uk. Once one of our chosen fixtures are on sale, phone the Ticket Office on **0118 968 1313** and quote **Brakenhale School**. Tickets must be booked by the chosen deadline for each fixture. This is 3pm on the Thursday before a weekend fixture, or 3pm on a Friday before a Tuesday night fixture. After this time, discounted tickets will not be available through the scheme. Tickets are only available in the Eamonn Dolan Stand including the family Area. Each booking must have at least one child as part of the booking. Madejski Stadium ground regulations and ticketing Terms and Conditions also apply, please visit www.readingfc.co.uk

THE ROYALS GROUPS & EVENTS

Ticketing Scheme

Be Part of the Action!
Your school or group will be entered in to our new Incentive Scheme and compete against other local schools and groups to win the following prizes:
 - Chance to meet Reading FC players
 - Opportunity to play on the pitch at Madejski Stadium
 - £50 bonus towards your fundraising
 - Free Family Tickets
 - Signed items and much more!

Match	Date	Time	Booking Deadline
NOTTINGHAM FOREST	Sat 12 th Jan	3pm	3pm on 10 th Jan
LEEDS UNITED	Tue 12 th Mar	8pm	3pm on 8 th Mar
BRENTFORD	Sat 13 th Apr	3pm	3pm on 11 th Apr
BIRMINGHAM CITY	Sun 5 th May	12.30pm	3pm on 2 nd May

PICK FROM READING FC

Ticket Price	Amount donated to YOUR team or group
Adults £15	£5
65 and over £10	£4
18-24 £8	£3
17 and under £5	£2
12 and under £2	50p

To book, please call the Ticket Office on 0118 968 1313 and quote: Brakenhale School. Please ensure you call before the booking deadline. Prizes are subject to change. Tickets are subject to availability. Terms and conditions apply.

Age Band	Ticket Price	Amount Raised
Adult	£15	£5
65 and over	£10	£4
18-24	£8	£3
17 and under	£5	£2
12 and under	£2	50p

With the Bees reaching the NIHL Cup Semi Final in Saturday Feb 2nd, the club have made it a Schools Zone game.

BRACKNELL BEES SCHOOL ZONE

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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.



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!



YOUR school lottery

BUY A LOTTERY TICKET & SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL

New Year, New Resolution - Buy a lottery ticket to support our school!

- Cash Prizes to be WON every week!
- Match all 6 numbers & WIN £25,000!
- Tickets cost £1 each, per week & 40% of ticket sales goes to our school.
- Draws are every Saturday at 8pm & results posted online.
- Joining is easy, just visit our web page to support us now.

To start supporting, visit:
www.yourschoollottery.co.uk

Search for:
Brakenhale

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Sign up before the 26th February 2019
*Terms and Conditions apply. See website

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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!



Current Vacancies

We have the following exciting opportunities at Brakenhale. Please see the website for more details.

<http://brakenhale.co.uk/about/vacancies/>

- Head of Humanities
- Maths Teacher
- Invigilator
- Intervention Coordinator
- Performing Arts Technician

Future Diary Dates

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

Tuesday 5 th February	:	Year 12 Parents' Evening
Thursday 7 th February	:	PTA Meeting
Tuesday 12 th February	:	Year 9 Parents' Evening, 4-6.30pm
Wednesday 13 th February	:	Year 9 Parents' Evening, 4.30-6.30pm

Term Dates

Term Dates 2018-19

SPRING TERM 2019

Term dates for students:

Monday 7th January to Friday 5th April

Spring Half Term – Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February)

Spring Holiday for students – Monday 8th April to Monday 22nd April
(Good Friday 19th April, Easter Monday 22nd April)

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

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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