



Dear Parents/Carers

This week has seen a big focus on wellbeing for both staff and students at this exceptionally busy time of the year. We really understand that for many it is a period of increased anxiety and stress and we are working as #teamBrakenhale to make the end of term as smooth and positive as possible. With this in mind we invited the inspirational teenager, Sapphire, who performed to Years 7, 9, 10 and 11 this week and will be returning in the New Year to see Year 8. Her focus on positive mental wellbeing and the safe use of the internet and social media was very well received by the students, many of whom are now following her on their own social media sites. We have also had a number of students receiving individual mentoring from a range of outside programmes including local businesses, national athletes and Wellington College.

Over the last couple of weeks our students have completed a survey about the school which we have been analysing. There are some very interesting results and we will be setting up student focus groups in January in order to move forward with some improvements that the students have requested.

Yesterday over 100 Year 11 Geography students spent the day in Windsor as part of their examination preparation. It was an incredibly cold day and the students conducted themselves brilliantly and coped very well. As ever the staff went out of their way to do all they could to support the students, with Mr Cooper funding many hot drinks throughout the day. The day ended with staff rehearsing their Christmas song which they will be singing to students in the Christmas assembly next Thursday.

Next week, although a short week, is none the less a packed one. On Monday we are holding a house baking competition with the proceeds going towards supporting extra-curricular school events and reward trips; I am looking forward to seeing lots of amazing Christmas bakes. We are also selling hot chocolate through our LGBT group. We are looking forward to the Performing Arts show which is taking place on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December and I know lots of students will be taking part. Tuesday and Wednesday will begin with House assemblies and will also be our Christmas dinner days. We will be holding the Christmas Jumper day on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> in aid of Daisy's Dream - so lots going on! Can I also remind parents/carers that we will be dismissing students at 12.05pm on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December, the last day of term.

### **Students of the week:**

Megan Slade, Year 12 – Megan does not study dance in Sixth Form but stepped in at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour at the Dance and Drama show to learn a dance piece so that it could be performed as a duet when another student became ill at the last minute. She learnt the dance in under half an hour and then performed to a packed audience.

Abubakari Sana and Clancy Osei, Year 11 – helped a homeless person on the Geography field trip and gave them some money.

### **FAB feedback this week:**

- Feedback from Wellington College, the students from Brakenhale School have been impeccable. They have conducted themselves with real maturity and focus throughout the day. They would always be welcome back to work with us.

### **DRAB feedback this week:**

- Everything always seems to revolve around sport. Not all kids are sporty, like my son, and I know that what seems like a huge focus on sport at the school gets him down. He is very good at other things and it would be nice to see focus shifted around regularly so that he gets a chance to show what he is good at outside of the classroom.

*I totally agree that not all young people are sporty and we should of course provide for everyone. There are a range of alternative clubs available should your son be interested, including photography club, art club, dungeons and dragons, technology club, IT club, textiles club. Please do let me know if there are specific clubs that you would like us to run and I will of course try to arrange this.*

**Staff member of the week:**

Miss Byers      Such an amazing teacher and she really helped me when it came to my exam. Miss Byers is motivational and is willing to give you all the information you need even if outside of school times. Thank you!

For constantly putting a smile on my face :)

Miss Willimott    For helping me with exam revision techniques.

Mr Dean          Always helpful and always got a smile on his face.

Motivational quote for next week is:

**“Create a life that feels good on the inside not just one that looks good on the outside.”**

Have a lovely weekend.

*Jane Coley, Headteacher*

## Christmas Lunch Update

Due to overwhelming demand for our Christmas lunch we have made the decision to hold this over two days - Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Years 7, 9 and Post 16 will be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December and Years 8, 10 and 11 will be held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December.

For all students who have not selected to have Christmas lunch there will be only sandwiches, snacks and drinks available on both lunchtime's in the Main Hall. There will be a normal service at break time if your son/daughter wishes to purchase hot food.



## What's on next week

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|------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December   | - | <b>Music Concert, 6-7.30pm</b>       |
| Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December  | - | <b>Christmas Dinner Day</b>          |
| Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December | - | <b>Last day of term for students</b> |
|                                    | - | <b>Christmas Jumper Day</b>          |

### End of Term Arrangements

We would like to confirm our end of term arrangements for the last day of this term, Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2018, when school will finish for students at 12:05pm. On this last day of term we will be supporting the Save the Children 'Christmas Jumper Day'. Donations will be £1.00 and students may wear their Christmas Jumpers in place of their school blazers - all other school uniform should be worn.

We return to school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 at 8.30am.

## Christmas Market

Thank you to everyone who supported our annual Christmas Market last week. In spite of the weather we had a fantastic turn out and raised over £1000.

Well done too to all who were successful at the raffle. The winning tickets are shown here.



Prize	Winning Ticket
Luxury Food Hamper (contents only)	Pink 18
Panasonic Slow Juicer	Blue 2
Venture Photography Voucher	Green 402
£40 Cricketers Meal Voucher	Green 81
Medium Food Hamper (contents only)	Pink 306
Candy Floss Maker	Yellow 740
DAB Radio	Green 856
COOP Food Hamper	Yellow 793
£20 M&S Voucher	Blue 490
The Look Out Discovery Family Ticket	Yellow 280
Everyone Active Swim Vouchers	Green 129
Tangs Meal Voucher	Pink 423
Yankie Candle Diffuser	Pink 302
Luxury Chocolates	Blue 617

## Houses of Parliament Trip

Mrs Masson was lucky enough to take two students, along with other local schools, to the Houses of Parliament on Monday to learn about the Suffragettes.

Arwa B in 8B and Astreja G in 7N had been selected after writing an excellent letter of application.

The students got a thorough tour of Parliament, even getting to stand in the Chambers of the House of Commons and House of Lords. They learnt about the history of Parliament and how laws are created. To finish off the morning they were fortunate enough to Meet Dr Phillip Lee MP and discuss politics with him, needless to say Brexit was the top of conversation. Both girls had a fantastic time!

Arwa said "I enjoyed my trip to The Houses Of Parliament. It was really fun looking at all of the historic statues and paintings. I also enjoyed looking at all of the areas such as where the important discussions and meetings take place. It was a really good experience."

Mrs Masson, Student Voice Coordinator



**English Workshop**

On Tuesday of last week, the English department welcomed Alex Baker to lead a writing workshop with two selected groups of Year 9 students. Based on the genre of fantasy writing, the workshop allowed the students to develop the skills of story writing by providing compelling props to aid their imagination and creativity. Taking place in the library, the workshop also encouraged students to share their ideas within small groups before beginning to write their own story. Alex worked on a one-to-one basis with all students throughout the session, encouraging them to discuss their ideas and think about the "journey" their story was taking. This was an enjoyable experience for everybody involved and there were some excellent stories read aloud by students, clearly proud to showcase their work at the end of the sessions.



Miss O'Brien, English Teacher

**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](http://WWW.OPERATINGTHEATRELIVE.CO.UK/PUBLICEVENTS)

Mr Radcliffe, Director of Science

**BE ON A SHOW**

Lion TV is now casting talented young chefs and aspiring restaurant bosses in school years 5-9 to compete in a BRAND NEW CBBC series:

**THE RESTAURANT DREAM TEAM (10/11)**

Fred Sifeix and Allegra McEvedy are on the hunt to find a DREAM TEAM of six kids who will be able to run their very own restaurant.

We are looking for a group of six friends. Three of the group members will be working on the restaurant floor, coming up with a restaurant theme, welcoming and serving guests, as well as dealing with customer complaints. The other three members will be creating their own menu and cooking to a high standard, under pressure, whilst remaining calm.

Do you have the charisma and confidence to charm a whole host of hungry diners and run a team? Are you bursting with foodie ideas? Or do you think you can cook better than most adults?

If so, we would love to hear from you and your mates who may have what it takes to become the winning Restaurant Dream Team! Please email us for an application form and have your parents or guardians send back to us:

[restaurantdreamteam@liontv.co.uk](mailto:restaurantdreamteam@liontv.co.uk)

**YOU MUST HAVE PERMISSION FROM YOUR PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIANS TO APPLY.**

**APPLY ASAP**  
Application Deadline: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019

A great opportunity for budding chefs or students who would like to design their own pop up restaurant in a Dream Team with their friends. This is open to students in Years 7 to 9.

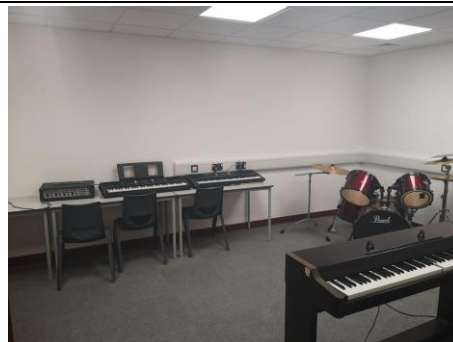
Please see Mrs. Higham for further details, preferably before the Christmas holidays, so your Dream Team can get their application in.

Mrs Higham, Head of Design Technology

## Performing Arts

### Dance and Drama Show

A massive congratulations to all the students who participated in our Dance and Drama Show last week, students have worked incredibly hard to prepare in and outside of lessons. Feedback from the event was overwhelmingly positive and the evening showcased a range of works from across both subjects. A big thank you to our P16 students who not only performed but supported back stage, alongside Ethan N in Year 9, for overseeing the lighting for the event.



### New Music Teaching Space

We are incredibly happy with our new teaching space for Music and would like to thank Wates for their fantastic work! The area is now up and running with lessons and rehearsals during break times. Students have all said how much they are enjoying lessons in the new area and are putting it to great use. We are on the lookout for any instruments or equipment to help us fill the space and support the students further, if you have any spare or old instruments or sound equipment at home you would like to donate please contact us.

### The Knot Dance Trip

Students in Years 10 to 13 enjoyed our recent Dance trip to South Hill Park to see Didy Veldman's production of 'The Knot' based around the idea of a wedding. Students also had the chance to see some of our very own Brakenhale students performing in the pre-show in the Tall Hall - Lauren W, Emily C and Alice M.



### Past Student Returns

Our past student Kieran West returned this week to support lessons and teach dance to Key Stage 4 and 5 classes. Kieran is currently in his first year of his degree at Northern School of Contemporary Dance and brought with him a wealth of knowledge from his first full term. We look forward to seeing him again in the department soon and hearing about how he is progressing. This photo shows Kieran teaching Year 11 GCSE Dance students Luis B, Caitlin H, Lester D, Ellie S, Tiegan W, Charlotte B and Ella H-B.

### Year 11 Exams

A big well done to our Year 11 GCSE Drama class and Year 11 BTEC Dance class for completing part of their practical examinations this week. They have worked incredibly hard to prepare and improve their work to help achieve the best grades possible. Year 11 BTEC Dance completed a studio performance of their professional dance work whilst GCSE Drama completed their assessment in the main hall with support of Ethan (Year 9) on lighting. We wish the best of luck to our Year 11 BTEC Music students who will be completing their assessment next week.

Mrs Duffy, Head of Performing Arts

## Fundraising

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019 has been confirmed as the date of the Lexicon Bracknell Half Marathon. If you are entering, please consider 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](mailto:fundraising@brakenhale.co.uk) for more information.

We have had a few more donations from anonymous donors during this week, pushing our total up further to £4,243. After we receive our money for the Easthampstead Rotary Club Community Draw, we will have broken through the £5,000 threshold but that is still only 10% of what we need!

In the new year, we will be running some fund raising events. We are thinking of possibly a fashion show, car washing, etc. Please let me know if there is anything that you would like to attend or get involved with.

Following a meeting I had this week, we are considering joining Roman's (Estate Agent) loyalty scheme. This would mean that if parents sold or rented a property through Romans, we will receive £250. More information about this to follow.

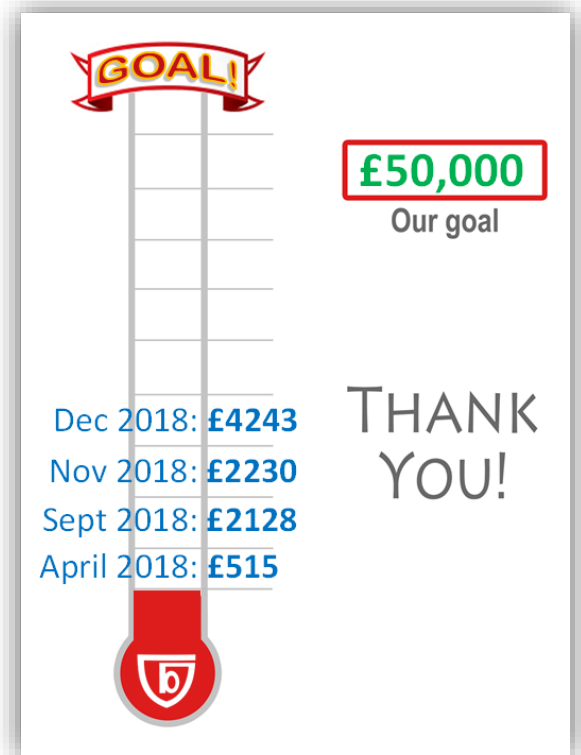
Please remember that any donation you make on our page (<https://mydonate.bt.com/events/iwanttobuysomefurniture/472468>), however large or small, is gratefully accepted and every penny will go towards equipping our new building.

With many thanks,

*Karen Roche, Chair of the governing body*

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



## Clothes Recycling

After Christmas we will once again be collecting in your unwanted clothes, shoes, accessories and other household linen items for recycling. Please start collecting together any unwanted items and we will give you more information about bringing them into school after the festive holiday.

**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)

✓

**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

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Put your items in a black bin bag.

Thank you for supporting the school!

## PE Department Weekly Bulletin

### Inter House Competitions

Our Inter house competitions have happened this week and at the time of writing Year 9 have not had their competition so you will have to wait for next week for the results and write up!

Watch this space!

### PE Fixtures

After the Christmas break we are into our busiest period for PE fixtures with the start of the School Football fixtures for both Boys and Girls. With this exciting time many of our students will be attending training hoping to have the honour of being selected to represent the school. We want to make you aware that students are expected (as the vast majority already do) to uphold the high expectations of the school in order to be eligible for selection for fixtures. With a number of talented girls and boys the PE Department would love to promote huge pride and success of our students representing the school but, hope that we are not hampered by behaviour issues in our selection process.

*Mr Potter, Head of PE*

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

## Book of the Month Competition!

### The Prize

*A £10 book voucher*

### How do I win it?

*Read this month's book of the month and write a review.*

*Reviews should be emailed to Mrs Duddy before December 20<sup>th</sup> 2018. All entrants will receive house points. Winners will also be printed in The Brakenhale Bugle!*

### This Month's Book:

*Running on the Roof of the World, by Jess Butterworth*

*There are two words that are banned in Tibet. Two words that can get you locked in prison without a second thought. I watch the soldiers tramping away and call the words after them. 'Dalai Lama.'*

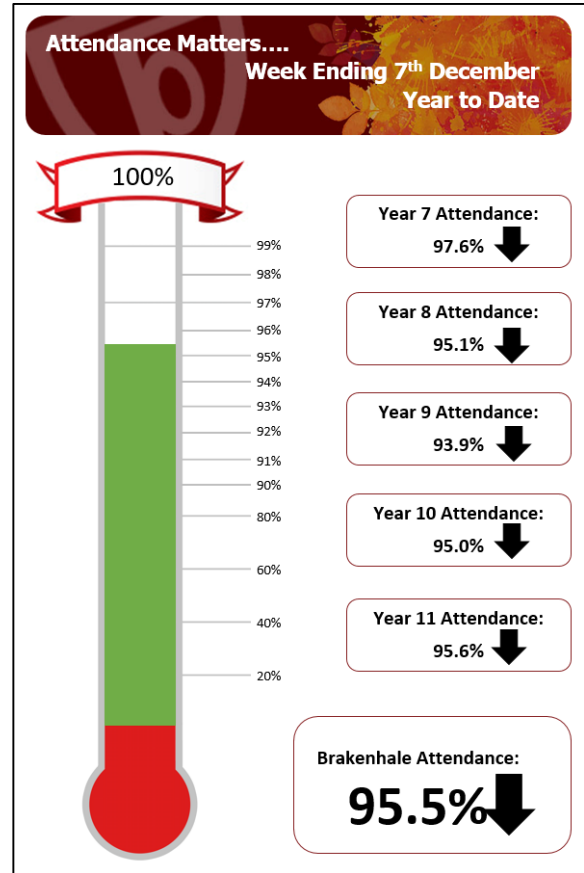
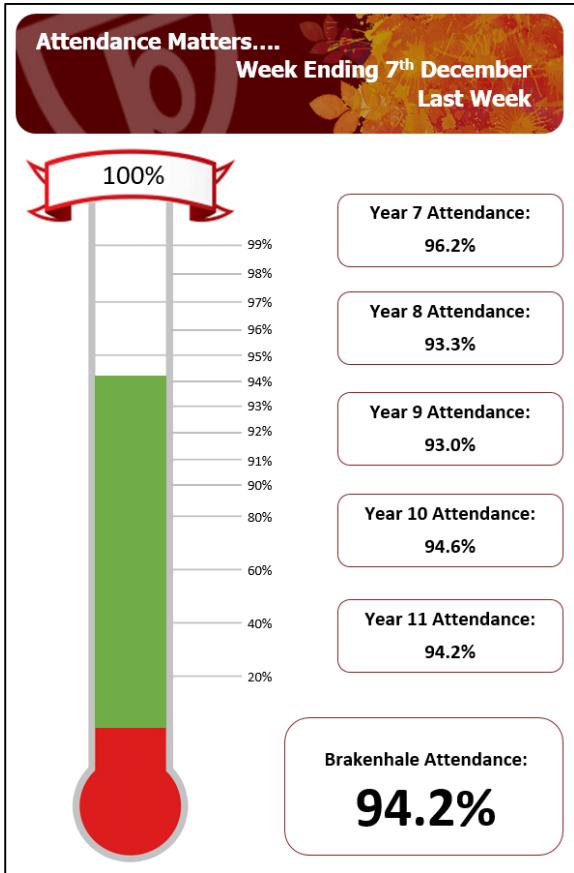
*Tash has to follow many rules to survive in Tibet, a country occupied by Chinese soldiers. But when a man sets himself on fire in protest and soldiers seize Tash's parents, she and her best friend Sam must break the rules. They are determined to escape Tibet - and seek the help of the Dalai Lama himself in India.*

*And so, with a backpack of Tash's father's mysterious papers and two trusty yaks by their side, their extraordinary journey across the mountains begins.*



## 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*



## Ticketing Scheme

### Discounted Reading FC Tickets plus fantastic prizes to be won!

Brakenhale School are delighted to announce that we have teamed up with Reading Football Club and signed up to their School and Grassroots Ticketing Scheme. We are giving you the opportunity to purchase discounted tickets for the following fixtures

**Reading FC v Nottingham Forest on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> January 3pm Kick Off.**

**Reading FC v Rotherham United on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 3pm Kick Off.**

**Reading FC v Leeds United on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 8pm Kick Off.**

**Reading FC v Brentford on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April 3pm Kick Off.**

**Reading FC v Birmingham City on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](http://www.readingfc.co.uk)

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

**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!

**PICK FROM READING V**

<b>NOTTINGHAM FOREST</b> Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 3pm Booking deadline: 3pm on 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<b>LEEDS UNITED</b> Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar, 8pm Booking deadline: 3pm on 8 <sup>th</sup> Mar
<b>ROTHERHAM UNITED</b> Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb, 3pm Booking deadline: 3pm on 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	<b>BIRMINGHAM CITY</b> Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> May, 12.30pm Booking deadline: 3pm on 2 <sup>nd</sup> May
<b>BRENTFORD</b> Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Apr, 3pm Booking deadline: 3pm on 11 <sup>th</sup> Apr	

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.  
Picture is subject to change. Tickets are subject to availability. Terms and conditions apply.

**Anti-Bullying**  
at Brakenhale

Supported by Diana Award Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

**We are here to help!**

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

- Ethan Nunn
- Molly Penn
- Leanne Palmer
- Callum Harding
- Prisc Willett
- Nileeta Amar Dhupar
- Jodie Simpson
- Danielle Rabulan
- Georgina Harrington
- Alma Munsell
- Jade Daniel
- Chloe Hawkins
- Amy Cogdon
- Mia-Rose Hawthorne

**ANTI-BULLYING**

We Look forward to telling you more about how and where you can access help and support in our Anti-Bullying assemblies.

**FIND OUT MORE IN YOUR ANTI-BULLYING ASSEMBLY!**

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

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

**We are here to help!!!**

Every single minute of ANYTHING. It's not possible to be safe than anything.

STOP BULLYING

**The Brakenhale Concert**  
*Rockin' around the Christmas Tree*

17th December Main Hall  
Adults - £2 Child - £1

Sign up sheets are located by both music departments

**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**

**Brakenhale Presents...**

**THE SCHOOLS WILL ROCK YOU THE MUSICAL**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Tickets will be available soon  
Please book early to avoid disappointment

Please note change of date

**National Online Safety**

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

- Which apps/games are you using at the moment?
- Which websites do you enjoy using and why?
- How does this game/app work? Can I play?
- Do you have any online friends?
- Do you know where to go for help?
- Do you know what your personal information is?
- Do you know your limits?

www.nationalonlinesafety.com

**Christmas Lunch**  
at Brakenhale School

Roast Turkey served with Chipolata Sausage, Stuffins and Gravy or Roasted Vegetable Puff

Roast Potatoes  
Carrots, Garden Peas and Brussel Sprouts

Chocolate Fudge Cake and Cream

Christmas Cracker

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

and Wednesday

**#CHRISTMASJUMPERDAY**

**GO BIG. GO BOLD. GO BAUBLYANTLERKNIT.**

**Save the Children CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY**

**JOIN US ON 20 DECEMBER!**

Get your most fabulous festive knits on (all other uniform remains as usual)

Give £1 to help children around the world. That's all there is to it.

GO ON. MAKE THE WORLD BETTER WITH A SWEATER!

Get your most fabulous festive knit on. Give £1. Go on. Make the world better with a sweater.

christmasjumperday.org

## 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** supporting

**BRAKENHALE**  
High Expectations & Challenge for All

**WIN**  
£25,000 JACKPOT every week!

**Add Magic to your school this term!**

Buy your lottery ticket and you could win a Family Ticket to Warner Brothers *Glorious Potter, Studio & Tour*

- Join our weekly online lottery. Tickets cost £1 a week.
- 40% of all tickets go to our school, with another 30% funding prizes.
- A **GUARANTEED** cash prize to one of our supporters every week.
- Chance to WIN £25,000 jackpot every week!

To start supporting, visit [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play)

And Search For: **Brakenhale**

5 games to play 22 Feb 2019 10:00 AM GMT+00:00

## Easy Fundraising

With [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) you collect free donations to your selected cause every time you shop. You can make a big difference on everything from groceries to getaways and it doesn't cost you a penny! When you shop the easyfundraising way with one of their 3083 shops and sites they give easyfundraising a commission for your purchase which is turned into a donation for your selected good cause.

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

You can also install their Donation Reminder - this means a box will appear if you are shopping with a retailer who participates in the Donation Reminder and you don't even need to visit the easyfundraising site! All you need to do is click Activate Donations and any eligible purchase will be recorded for you. Take a look at the Donation Reminder [here](#). The Donation Reminder is supported by Chrome, Firefox, Internet Explorer and Safari but can't work on mobile phones or tablets.

Shopping on your mobile? No problem, for mobile phones and tablets there is the handy easyfundraising App, perfect if you like to shop on the go and available completely free of charge from your App store. Now you can not only shop using it but you can check out your own donation total and see how your cause is getting on too. More information can be found [here](#).

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



**easyfundraising**  
feel good shopping

## Current Vacancies

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

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

- Data and Attendance Administrator
- Maths Teacher
- Invigilator
- Intervention Coordinator
- Performing Arts Technician

## Future Diary Dates

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

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January  
 Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January  
 Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January  
 Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January

**Christmas Holiday**  
**First day of Spring Term**  
**A Level Geography Field trip**  
**Aberdovey Trip**

## Term Dates

### Term Dates 2018-19

#### AUTUMN TERM 2018

Term dates for students:

*(Inset Days: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September)*

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September to Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Autumn Half Term – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October)

*(Inset Day: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December)*

Christmas Holiday for students – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019

#### SPRING TERM 2019

Term dates for students:

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

Spring Half Term – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February)

Spring Holiday for students – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April to Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

(Good Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April, Easter Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April)

#### SUMMER TERM 2019

Term dates for students:

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

*(Inset Days: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July)*

Summer Half Term – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May)

Last day of Summer Term for students – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> 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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