



Dear Parents/Carers

This week has probably been the busiest of the whole half term! There has definitely been no sitting back and waiting for Friday to arrive – I know you would expect nothing less from #teambrokenhale!

I have been inundated all week with positive feedback about students and the amazing things that they have been achieving. Luca Saravia in Year 7 won the Bracknell Forest Poetry Competition with his absolutely outstanding WW1 Poem – it is further down in parent news for you to read. He was invited to attend an event led by the Mayor where he has recorded the poem which will then be played over the PA system at the 'Battle's Over' event which is taking place on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November at North Lake. We are incredibly proud of Luca – an amazing achievement!

Today has also marked a special occasion in Bracknell Forest with Her Majesty the Queen visiting the town. Our Head Boy and Head Girl Jordan Penn and Ella Brigden accompanied Mrs Seymour in representing Brakenhale School. We also had another very special moment at this event as Roxie Sherratt in Year 12 played her clarinet in the concert band for Her Majesty. This was an incredible honour for Roxie and we are absolutely thrilled to see her showcased and be recognised for her amazing talent. Another very proud moment for us and a huge well done Roxie.

It has been a busy week for trips and yesterday our GCSE and A Level Computing students went to Bletchley Park with Mr Thomas and Mr George where they learnt a significant amount which will undoubtedly enrich their understanding of the course. Miss Rushby also took a group of Year 10 students to Johnson and Johnson as part of our enhanced careers programme this year. Our identity group have also been busy carving pumpkins in light of the season which are currently displayed in our main reception.

This week saw us launch our first 'word of the day' competition where students had to try to get the word 'adversary' into as many sentences as they could throughout the day. Eva Hancock was the winner – congratulations go to her and also to Billy Knight who came up with the most new words on the day. A great initiative from our Literacy Coordinator Miss Lewis.

### **Staff member of the week:**

- Miss Burrows - For being kind and helping us in tutor time.
- Ms Higham - Very kind when I was ill and always thinks of her tutees.
- Mr Swynford-Lain - Making science a joyful and exciting lesson to go to!
- Miss Rushby - For being helpful.
- Mrs Harbour - Having fun lessons and always being super happy even though there are students talking when she asks for quiet. Always there when needed and is willing to help no matter what the situation.
- Mrs Duffy - She is always so helpful and gives us good feedback in dance.
- Mrs Moore (Bridge) - The support she gives our son and other students has been invaluable. She listens to their needs and helps them anywhere she can, nothing seems an effort for her. The dedication to helping and guiding my son shows there is a good support network within the school, because of this help my son is gaining his confidence every day and is enjoying going to school.

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

- I had the pleasure of watching the rugby tournament today. Please can you pass my thanks to the 2 male teachers who came today. Amazing boys, school team spirit and the teachers were exceptional as always.

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

- The website states that there is no key stage 4 provision for Economics.  
*I can only apologise for this and I will make sure this is updated.*

**Student of the week:**

In addition to Luca and Roxie:

Keir Buist - For his performances as 'Tommo' in Michael Morpurgo's 'Private Peaceful' at South Hill Park. The Windsor Express called the production 'Stunning', and singled out Keir as Outstanding; we all know he is!

Sofia Valenzuela Russo 7B, Labrini Goulas 7K and Marine Satake 7N - Winners of the Bracknell Forest WW1 Art competition. Their work is being exhibited at Brooke House (opposite Brown Bag) in town.

Have a wonderful half term and I look forward to welcoming all students back on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October.

Kind regards, *Jane Coley, Headteacher*

**What's on next week**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October  
Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October

**Half Term Break**  
**PTA AGM**

The PTA AGM will be taking place on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October – **please note change of time to 6.30pm**  
Please complete the reply slip online [here](#) to let us know if you are able to attend.

**BRAKENHALE PTA AGM**

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 6.30pm

The Brakenhale PTA currently has the following Committee Roles:

**Chair Vice Chair**  
**Treasurer Secretary**

We also currently have 2 non-committee roles:  
**Marketing and Public Relations**  
**Facilities and Catering**

Please complete a nomination form if you are interested in joining our PTA committee and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

High Expectations and Challenge

**Brakenhale School Sixth Form**

Information Evening for Courses 2019-21

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November**  
**6.30pm to 8pm**

You are warmly invited to our Sixth Form Information Evening between 6.30pm and 8pm on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018. The evening will commence with a talk from senior staff and you will then have the opportunity to look round our Sixth Form Centre, discover our wide range of courses and speak to teachers and current students.

*The continued resurgence of Brakenhale Sixth Form has been confirmed by the most recent A-Level and BTEC results. In every single measure there has been an increase in attainment and progress.*

**2018: 60% A\* to B (including equivalents)**

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Telephone: 01344 422043  
Email: sixthform@brakenhale.co.uk  
Web: www.brakenhale.co.uk

**The Brakenhale Vocal Group**

**Thursday 3:05 - 4:05**

**LS1**

SP Adobe Spark

**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**

## Tools for Learning

Thank you for your continued support in our Tools for Learning initiative. With full pencil cases students are ready to learn when they arrive in the classroom. Your support in this has been crucial in allowing our teachers to focus all of their time on teaching.

Please remember to get your child to check their Tools for Learning over the half term break so that you can restock any missing items. Could parents please ensure that all students have all the items required at the beginning of each week.

In order to support you in acquiring those items, our school equipment shop, located in the Print Room, sells equipment (for cash) on a daily basis and you can purchase filled pencil cases or collect pre-paid ones (paid online using ParentPay) from school reception.

- Filled pencil case                               £3.70
- Scientific Calculator                           £6.50
- KS3 Brakenhale Sketch Book               £1.00
- Total cost for all three items               £11.20

We insist on a clear pencil case for the older years as this is absolutely outstanding practice due to the fact that they are required in the examination rooms as part of the examination regulations. For the younger years this keeps things transparent and it allows us to support the students more easily and to keep them safe.

The 'Tools for Learning' initiative is designed to reduce the amount of time lost in lessons looking for equipment and supporting students who do not have the right equipment. It has been an incredibly successful strategy and a tangible part of the schools improvement process. As you can imagine this can be very frustrating and leads to a lot of lost learning time which over the course of weeks, months and years can reduce the amount of teaching time quite considerably. Any student who does not have the correct equipment will be given a short sanction by their tutor on the same day as a reminder to obtain the items. To assist the smooth running of the school, students lacking the correct equipment and cash to purchase any missing items will be lent a basic kit for the duration of the school day. This must be returned to the tutor at the end of the day. Any student who loses or damages this basic equipment will be given a community detention as a sanction.

Please can I ask that you support us with this initiative and ensure that students are all fully equipped before they come back to school in order to avoid those awkward conversations. However, if any student is in receipt of pupil premium, we are happy to support with one complete pencil case of equipment for the school year.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Thank you for your ongoing support with this issue.

*Mr A Hartley, Deputy Headteacher*



The Brakenhale School  
High Expectations and Challenge for All

### Tools for Learning

**TOOLS and EQUIPMENT for LEARNING**

- Filled Pencil Case
- Scientific Calculator
- Brakenhale Art Book for Key Stage 3
- Subject Specific items for Key Stage 4
- Student Planner
- Brakenhale School Bag and Exercise Books





**TOOLS FOR LEARNING PENCIL CASE**

- Large Transparent Pencil Case
- 30cm Ruler
- 3 Black or Blue Pens
- HB Pencil
- Rubber
- Pencil Sharpener
- Glue Stick
- Highlighter
- Protractor
- Coloured Pencils (or Pens)

## Safer Internet & Social Media

Can we please remind parents about the dangers of the internet and social networking for teenagers.



Websites, forums and apps all present teenagers with certain social pressures and choices. Many of the disciplinary issues we deal with in school stem from misuse of phones and computers out of school yet often lead to distressing social confrontations within school.

As parents, it is often difficult to keep up with the current trends and sites being used by teenagers and indeed by wider organisations, be they political, religious or more sinister.

You will find more information and valuable resources on our website here:



<http://brakenhale.co.uk/pastoral-support/student-support-centre/>

and online: <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

## Mobile Phones

*Could we please remind parents and students about the use of mobile phones policy in school, which includes when students are still in the school grounds at 3.05pm!*

Students must not use a mobile phone or any other mobile device or wear or use headphones anywhere on the school site or on any off-site school activity with one exception. The one exception is where a teacher tells the students they have permission to use a mobile device in the classroom as part of the planned learning activity in the lesson. **Mobile devices must not be visible at any time but must be switched off (ensuring all alerts and alarms are inactive), out of sight and kept safely in the student's school bag at all times;**

### Misuse of Mobile Devices Consequence procedure

If a student is seen with, or using a mobile device, the student will be expected to hand the device over as requested. The device will be taken by the member of staff and handed in to admin/main reception. The mobile device will be placed in an envelope with the student name and year group and put into the safe. If the student has complied with these requests, the mobile device will be returned to them the same day by Main Reception. Otherwise parents/carers will be expected to come into school for a meeting with a senior member of staff to discuss the non-compliance of the policy and a more serious consequence will be given.	
1st Offence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Device confiscated and taken to reception</li> <li>• Confiscating member of staff gives detail to reception who record it on SIMS</li> <li>• Device handed back at end of the day by main reception</li> </ul>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Offence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Device confiscated and taken to reception</li> <li>• Confiscating member of staff gives detail to reception who record it on SIMS</li> <li>• Device handed back at end of the day by main reception</li> <li>• Schoolcomms message sent home to parents/carers stating that next time the device is confiscated the parents/carers will be required to collect the device</li> </ul>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Offence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Device confiscated and taken to reception</li> <li>• Confiscating member of staff gives detail to reception who record it on SIMS</li> <li>• Device to be collected by Parents/Carer – Schoolcomms sent home advising that next time the device is confiscated the student will be internally excluded for persistent failure to adhere to the rules of the school</li> <li>• Student issued with a Thursday Surgery sanction</li> </ul>
4 <sup>th</sup> Offence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Device confiscated and taken to reception</li> <li>• Confiscating member of staff gives detail to reception who record it on SIMS</li> <li>• Device to be collected by Parents/Carer – Schoolcomms sent home advising that their child will be internally excluded for the next school day and that a meeting will be arranged with HoY and SLT to discuss the persistent failure to follow school rules</li> <li>• Student issued with an internal exclusion</li> </ul>

Mr Hartley, Deputy Headteacher

## Restart a Heart



Restart a Heart is a designated yearly day of action with the aim to teach vital life-saving cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) skills to as many people as possible.

Partnered with the British Heart Foundation, British Red Cross, St John Ambulance and all of UK ambulance services, this year Restart a Heart went global and for the first time was called World Restart a Heart Day.

At school we set up a station in the playground and demonstrated to students what they had to do before letting them have a go themselves.



## English News

### Learn a Word Day

On Tuesday it was ‘National Learn a Word Day’ and to celebrate we set challenges for the students based around the word ‘adversary’.

The challenge for all years was to use this word during the day, verbally or in their writing in a full sentence and they would then be gifted a token. The student with the most tokens would win a £5 book voucher.

For Key Stage 3 only the students were also asked to make a note of all the new words they learned on the day and the student with the most words would also win a £5 book voucher.

The best year group was Year 7 and in second place were Year 9. The best tutor group was 7N followed by 7B.

The overall winner was Eva H from 7B, with runners up Jay J in 9R and Kudzai C in 7B.

Billy K in 8A won the ‘how many new words can you learn in one day’ challenge, with the following words: preternatural, grotesque, luminous, occult and uncanny.

Thank you to all the staff for helping develop vocabularies and ensuring students talk and write in full sentences and well done to all who took part.

Mrs D Lewis, English Teacher



### WW1 Poem by Luca Saravia

If I could travel back in time,  
I'd give Franz Ferdinand's driver, a sat-nav.  
He would have safely departed;  
And the war wouldn't have started.

If I could travel back in time,  
I would take my camera,  
I would photograph all the soldiers faces,  
And tell their stories about all of the places.

If I could travel back in time,  
I would go down to the trenches;  
I would tell jokes, and make them laugh until they cry;  
Give them socks and tell them they must keep their feet dry.

If I could travel back in time,  
I would go onto the battlefield and shout,  
"No man's land is everyone's land",  
"We can share it hand in hand".

If I could travel back in time,  
I would tell the Leaders and the Generals;  
"This is not the war to end all wars",  
"There are millions of tragedies it will cause".

If I could travel back in time,  
I'd be honoured to meet our soldiers,  
Who fought for our country.

But I can't.

But I can.  
Remember,  
Be Grateful,  
And be peaceful.

Rest in Peace

## Camera Club

The turnout for Camera Club was a bit lower this week, perhaps my photographers were not prepared to brave the torrential rain on Sunday to take their pictures! One very intrepid and skilled photographer used the rain to their advantage and Sandia L in Year 8 took this gorgeous picture of a leaf on the pavement after the rain had stopped. This is a great example of how, when we look up or down, we can spot beauty in the everyday.

The half-term challenge is to take a picture of ANYTHING but convert a copy to black and white so we can compare it to the original colour version. This will hopefully prompt a conversation in our next meeting about the role of colour in a photograph - a debate that is still very much part of the photography world!

Camera Club runs on a Monday in B17 at lunchtime and all years are welcome.

*Miss T Wilhelmy, Teacher in Charge of Art & Photography*



## Lost Property

A reminder that all Lost Property should be taken to Mrs McCroire in the Head of Year office, not to main reception.

If items are named they are returned straight away to the student.

Students who have lost UN-NAMED items should go to the Head of Year office during any break/lunch time or after school to collect it - this currently includes many water/sport bottles, house keys, locker keys, reading glasses and other miscellaneous items.

It is great so see that so many people are now naming items which enables us to returned them promptly to our students, thank you.

*Mrs McCroire, Curriculum Support Assistant*

## Supporting Thames Valley Air Ambulance

Thank you to all the students, parents and staff who have been collecting clean plastic milk bottle tops and used stamps to help raise money for the TVAA Thames Valley Air Ambulance.

If you would like to help this cause, please send in your colour, but please only clean **milk** bottle tops) and used stamps.

Bottle tops and stamps are being collected in the Heads of Year Office or Main Reception. Many thanks.

*Mrs McCroire, Curriculum Support Assistant*

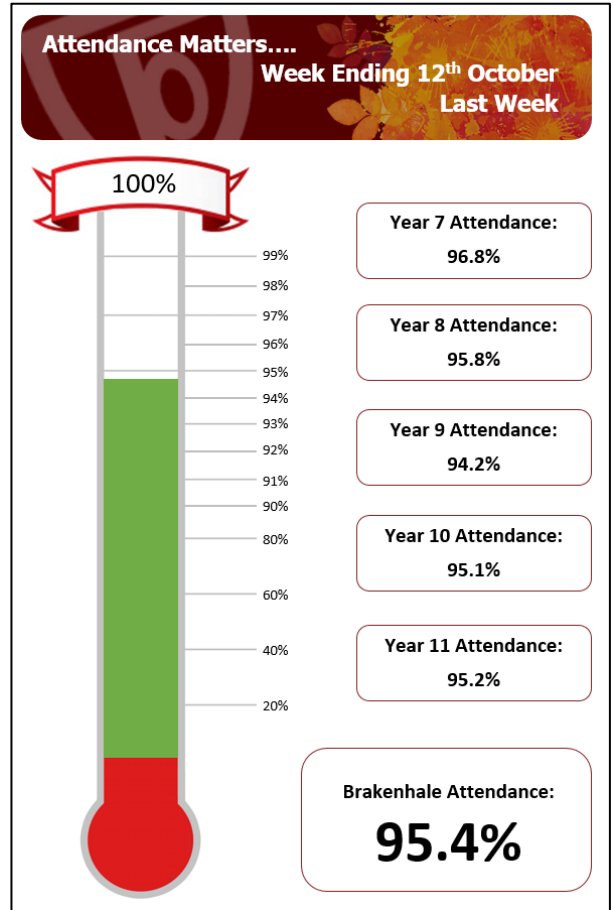
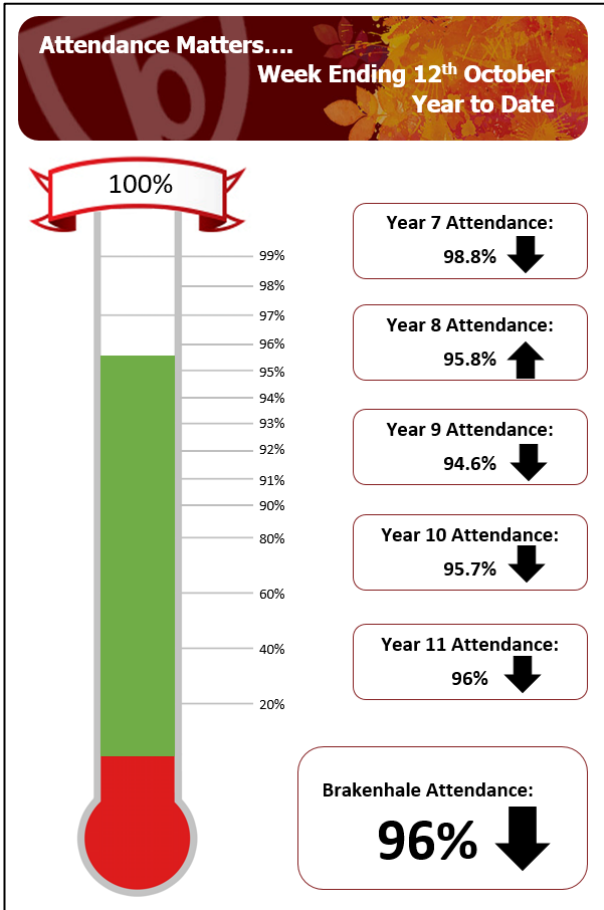


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# Attendance

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



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## Performing Arts News

### Private Peaceful

A huge 'congratulations' to Kier Buist who starred in Private Peaceful as the lead role at South Hill Park last week. Kier has completed a run of sold out shows with glowing reviews and took part in a live radio interview advertising the production and discussing the impact of his role.

Mrs Raby commented "I had the pleasure of watching Keir play the lead role Tommo in Private Peaceful at South Hill Park. His portrayal of the character was exceptional and there was not a dry eye in the house." As a faculty we are so proud of Kier for his involvement in such a fabulous production.



### The Knot - Dance Trip



We would like to invite students in Years 10 to 12 Dance to attend a trip to see Didy Veldman's new work 'The Knot' at South Hill Park. The piece is based around the emotions and build up to a wedding with a curtain raiser involving youth dance company BCDCY and adult dancers from the community. Mrs Duffy has been working alongside Didy as a rehearsal director for the curtain raiser and Brakenhale students Alice M, Lauren W and Emily C who will be performing in the work that opens the show. 'The Knot' is at 7:30pm at South Hill Park on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November. Tickets are £10.50 and are available via parent pay.

### Wilde Young Producers

We would like to draw your attention to a new, free course running at South Hill Park that students can attend called Wilde Young Producers.

The group meet fortnightly to learn skills in event organising, marketing, budgeting and working with children. The course will culminate in the group running and coordinating South Hill Park's popular children's Arts Festival called 'MOLE week'.

The course is free to attend and is designed for 15-20 year olds with an interest in the arts and events. No prior experience is required. This is a fantastic opportunity and further information can be found on the South Hill Park website including how to apply: <https://www.southhillpark.org.uk/create/missed/>

### Year 7 Dance Club

We saw a fantastic turn out on Friday after school for Year 7 Dance Club. Students took part in a creative task and shared some brilliant work. The club is open for any student to join and will start working on dance pieces to go in the December show after half term.



**Brakenhale Presents...**

**SCHOOLS WILL ROCK & YOU**

**The Musical**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Tickets will be available soon  
Please book early to avoid disappointment

### Musical Update - We Will Rock You

Rehearsals for our up and coming musical are in full swing after our final auditions two weeks ago. With a cast of 65 students we started work on the elements of acting, singing and dancing last week. It was fantastic to see our students working together and making great progress. The musical involves students from Year 7 to 13 and is a brilliant opportunity for us to showcase the talent of our students. We would like to say a big thank you to the PTA for their funding and support. Details about tickets will be coming out soon.

*Mrs Duffy, Head of Performing Arts*

## PE Department Weekly Bulletin

PE DEPARTMENT WEEKLY BULLETIN						
SPORTS RESULTS	WEEK OF - 15/10/18					
Year	Sport	Versus	For	Against	Result	PoTM
7	Rugby	Tournament			Brakenhale - 5-5 draw - Sandhurst I Brakenhale - 5-5 draw - Sandhurst II Brakenhale - 0-5 lost - Ranelagh Brakenhale -5-0 win - Edgbarrow	Ronnie Alder-Warrington
10	Rugby	Tournament			3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ronald T
SPORTS REPORTS	WEEK OF - 15/10/18					
7	<p>On a wet October afternoon 16 Year 7 boys started their journey into the world of English rugby. They left as individuals, but returned as a team. Young boys were transformed into warriors. In their first ever tournament they did themselves, their families and our school proud. It was an absolute pleasure to watch and see how they put their training to use. It was a steep learning curve as most of them had never played in a full contact rugby match. They rose to the challenge and the progress they made was significant. The tournament at Sandhurst hosted 2 Sandhurst teams, Edgbarrow, Ranelagh and of course the Brakenhale Braves. With only 10 minute matches, it felt like it was over even before it started. This left little room for error and the teams needed to be switched on right from the first whistle. The brave boys from Brakenhale showed their commitment right from the start and played like Trojans. Showing little fear and big hearts they tackled everything that moved and ran hard at their respective opponents. The results read as follows: Brakenhale - 5-5 draw - Sandhurst I, Brakenhale - 5-5 draw - Sandhurst II, Brakenhale - 0-5 lost - Ranelagh, Brakenhale - 5-0 win - Edgbarrow. The tournament was all about learning and the boys did exactly that. It is quite clear that they have so much potential and will continue to grow as players and as a team. The boys took a lot of life lessons out of that tournament as well. It doesn't matter if you get knocked down, what matters is getting back up again. I would like to encourage all parents to look into signing their boys up to Bracknell rugby club. Unfortunately in the state education system the rugby season is very short. It would benefit them so much if they continue their journey at an outstanding rugby club like Bracknell RFC. Thank you to everyone involved in making these fixtures possible. Big thanks to all the parents and their ongoing support. I look forward to seeing your boys growing into men over the next 7 years here at Brakenhale. It is definitely an exciting place to be, on and off the sports field.</p>					
10	<p>Year 10 played their second tournament of the year away at Sandhurst. The boys played Sandhurst first and were put to the test with a strong attacking game from them. With a little re-shaping at half time, the boys were soon back in the game and contesting for the ball. But a late try from Sandhurst put them just ahead. The second game against Ranelagh was a superb performance by all. The work rate was stepped up again with a much better formation. But as the game heated up legs started to become tired and our shape unfolded. Notable performances came from Archie Musgrove, Max Hill, George Hicks (once again), Callum Lacey and Ronald Tandoh.</p>					
SPORTS FIXTURES	WEEK OF - 28/9/18					
Date	Year	Sport	Versus	Location	Start/Finish	Staff
30/10/18	8 and 9	Netball	Edgbarrow	Brakenhale	3.30-4.45	LWI/LRU
30/10/18	8	Rugby	Tournament	Sandhurst	3.15-5.45	JBO
31/10/18	9	Rugby	Tournament	Sandhurst	3.15-5.45	MPO
SPORTS STAR	WEEK OF - 15/10/18					
NAME/TUTOR	Ronald Tandoh - 10K					
REASON	First rugby match for the school and Ronald played out of his skin. He left nothing on the pitch and worked hard for every minute of the game, making excellent runs and tracking back to help defend! What a player!					

## Primary School Tag Rugby Fest

The Year 10 BTEC Sport students were charged with running the Bracknell primary school tag rugby mega fest this week at Birch Hill Recreation ground, with over 200 students taking part. The day was split into two; with a series of coaching stations being run in the morning followed by a full tag tournament in the afternoon.

The BTEC sport students were put to the test being able to run the stations and coach the Year 3/4 students and they did very well, with lots of positive comments coming from primary school students, staff and parents.

The students were asked to run the festival as part of their BTEC Sport assessment in Year 10, which all students passed with flying colours. Special mentions must go to Freddie Hooper, Ricky Osei, Ben Coleman, Charlie Martin, Kane Cowley and Chloe Rose who all excelled and did an extra special job. Well done to all.

*Mr M Potter, Head of PE*

## STOP: for Parents of Teens

### STOP: A Supportive Programme for Parents of Teens

STOP is an effective parenting course for parents and/or carers of young people aged 10 to 16. It is a step-by-step programme that gives parents a greater understanding of their young person and strategies to help manage situations which often occur during the 'teens'.

The programme will be run on the following dates and be located in school. Please contact the school if you are interested.

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October - Half-term - no meeting

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November 13.00 to 15.00
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 13.00 to 15.00
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November 13.00 to 15.00
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 13.00 to 15.00
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November 13.00 to 15.00
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 13.00 to 15.00
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December 13.00 to 15.00

*Miss Manisier, Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead*

[jmanisier@brakenhale.co.uk](mailto:jmanisier@brakenhale.co.uk)

## 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

**We need your help to raise £47,872 by September 2019!!!!**

**Thank you so much to those who have donated on our MyDonate page.**

Dear parents and carers

You may have noticed that we have lots of blue hoarding around the school. **Please will you speak to your employers and ask if they would like to advertise on the hoarding.** We offer advertising space at a fixed price until the end of the project. Although most hoarding is inside the school grounds, there are up to 1000 people seeing it every day – parents, visitors, contractors, delivery companies, teachers from other schools, etc. If you find anyone that is interested, please ask them to contact me at the fundraising e-mail address:

[Fundraising@brakenhale.co.uk](mailto:Fundraising@brakenhale.co.uk)

Please don't forget to visit our fundraising page and either donate some money (however small), or buy some furniture.

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

With thanks,

*Karen Roche, Chair of the governing body*



## New Build

The structure is taking shape by the day and ground work for the next pieces of the puzzle are progressing.



## 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.



**PTA**  
**BRAKENHALE SCHOOL**  
**Parent Teacher Association**

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!



**Support your school today!**

- Just £1 per week
- 40% to your school
- £25,000 Jackpot!
- Cash prizes every week

**How it works**

It's simple - choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw you win great prizes with a jackpot prize of up to £25,000! One of our supporters will win a cash prize every week. Tickets cost just £1 per ticket per week and 40% of all ticket sales are donated to your school.

Draws are conducted every Saturday at 8pm and results are posted online. Winners will be notified via email and the winnings will be paid straight into an account of their choosing.

The easiest and quickest way to join our lottery is online where you can set up your payment either by direct debit or one off payment card. Alternatively, set up can be done over the phone using the contact details below.

**It's so easy to join and you could make a real difference to your school.**

**The maths...**

- 100 tickets sold means
- £50 a week cash prize
- £2,080 a year for your school

**Where does your money go?**

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- 40% goes directly to your school
- 36% goes towards lottery winner's cash prizes
- 20% goes towards lottery administrative costs
- 4% for VAT

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## Current Vacancies

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- Assistant Caretaker
- 2 Midday Supervisors
- Maths Teacher

## Future Diary Dates

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

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November

**Sixth Form Open Evening**

## 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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