



Whole school information

We have been experiencing issues with the catering service from Derbyshire County Council, resulting in pupils receiving the wrong meal type. We are deeply apologetic for this, however it is not our service and we have no control over the product we receive.

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding this, please email it to parents@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk and we will forward to the catering team for them to address directly.

Free School Meals eligibility


Parents and carers are now able to check their eligibility and apply for Free School Meals instantly via a Parent Portal.

It is easy to create a Parent Portal account, parents and carers please click the link below, or visit www.derbyshire.gov.uk and use the search box at the top of the page to search for free school meals.

<http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>

Once signed in, it is quick for parents and carers to check if their child(ren) can receive Free School Meals.

Big Build update

Please us this link to view the most recent time lapse video:  [TL7-to 23 June.mp4](#)

Parents and Carers Coffee and Cake Morning,

The family support team are holding a Coffee morning (tea and soft drinks will also be available) for Parents and Carers on Tuesday 5th July from 9:30-11:00. This is a chance to come and chat to the team, see how we can help you and get information. If you would like to attend please email Earlyhelp@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk so we make sure there is enough cake for everyone.

We look forward to see you

Summer BBQ- Thursday 21st July 3pm-5pm:

Our summer BBQ will be on Thursday 21st July between 3pm and 5pm. This is a whole school, whole family event. Tickets will be sold in the next few weeks. New pupils and their families will be invited too.

Dinosaur show!

Wednesday 13th July 2pm at Brackenfield school, please use this link [here](#) to request tickets.

CCTV Expansion – Consultation to Parent/Carers:

As our school expands, we also need to expand the CCTV coverage in order that we can continue to meet our safeguarding and site security goals. We have taken this opportunity to review our existing solution coverage (areas external to the building and common areas such as corridors and reception) and address what we feel to be gaps. Due to the vulnerable nature of our children we aim to increase the coverage to include additional areas the children access such as classrooms, sensory spaces and some of the wider playground areas that do not currently have full coverage. We do not intend to install CCTV in those areas where an expectation of privacy exists, such as toileting and personal care locations. We are now seeking to consult with you [please use this link](#) so we can gather your views on this proposed expansion.

Instagram - New Parental Controls

Currently rolling out within the UK right now, Instagram have launched some new features which I'm sure many parents will welcome. These new features include:

- The ability to see how time their child spends on Instagram.
- Awareness of who their child is following and who is following their child.
- Notification if/when their child reports someone and the type of report that was made.
- The ability to set specific times when parents can limit their child's screen time.

The features are enable on Family Centre, where a parent can supervise their child's account. Information about the new features can be found [HERE](#). Information about Family Centre on the page isn't obvious, it's at the top of the page in small font.

Suncream, hats and water:

Please make sure you apply long acting suncream to your child before they come to school in the morning if the weather is forcast to be hot. Please also provided them with a named sun hat and water bottle. W

School Uniform - Simply First:

Over COVID 19 Simply First have changed the way they operate their shop.

Parent/carers are now being directed to the website:

www.schooluniformnottingham.co.uk to place orders. You will then be sent an invoice for payment, and once payment has been received the

order will be processed and you will receive a notification when your order is ready to collect.

Payments are made via bank transfer using their order name and invoice number (important) as payment reference.

Please note from **Monday the 4th of April 2022** Simply First will be operation from a new Premises:

Container Self-Storage - Simply First Ltd

The Embroidery Pod, Unit 13, Block B, Ind Estate, Mark St, Sandiacre, Nottingham NG10 5AD.

Our School Day

Please be reminded of the school times.

Student Arrival and Registration	8.55 – 9.05 – Taxi drop off 9.00 – 9.10 – Parent drop off
Morning Session	09.10 – 11.40
Lunch Session (30 minutes within this time)	11.40 – 13.10
Afternoon Session	13.10 – 14.20
Pupil Departure and Pastoral Time	14.20 – 14.35 – Taxi collection 14.30 – 14.40 – Parent collection

Upcoming dates from the school calendar

Summer Holidays:

We break up for the summer holidays on **Friday 22nd July 2022 at 12pm** until **Friday 2nd Sept 2022**.

School will be closed to pupils on **Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th September 2022** for inset days and reopens to pupils on **Wednesday 7th September 2022**.

[Please click here](#) for a copy of the 2021-2022 school holidays.

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Useful links:

[Click here for information](#) about parental controls, advice and guidance