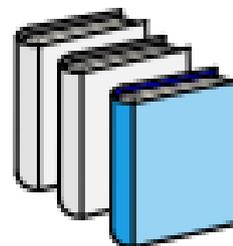




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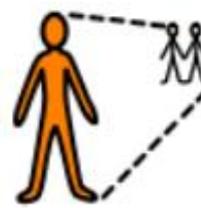
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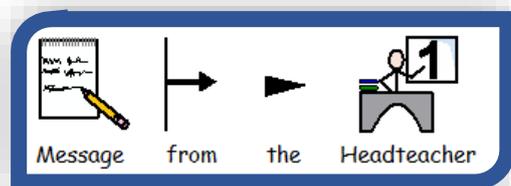


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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of a more settled term. Both staff and pupil absence has been much lower due to testing and isolation ceasing, this has enabled us to get back to a more normal structure to the school day. It has been wonderful to see the pupils working on their life skills out in the community doing a range of activities including travel training and shopping. One of our groups has also had the opportunity to go to the seaside and spent the day at Formby Beach.

As we reach half term, we move towards our new school year. As you will know, to support the transition of our pupils, we move to the new school year in June. This year we are extending to a 17-class model! I am so proud of how the school has grown and how we are able to meet the needs of more children from our community. When I became Head Teacher in 2016, we had 6 classes and 62 pupils, we are now have room for 160 pupils in September with the new classrooms being built. The new build is on track but won't be ready for the children to move into till September, as a result some of the children will move class spaces in September but will move to their new groups with the rest of the school on 13th June. I am looking forward to welcoming our new starters to the school at this time also.

[Click here to view the most recent timelapse of our new build.](#)

The end of the year brings conflicting feelings for us all as our year 11 pupils move on to the next stage of their education, beyond Brackenfield. We are so proud of the confident, kind and determined young adults they have become during their time with us and though we will miss them we will be keeping in touch to see how they get on in their new adventures.

I hope you all enjoy the half term holiday and the Jubilee celebrations. We have been granted an additional INSET day as the Jubilee bank holiday is during our holiday time. We have planned for this to occur prior to returning in September.

Next year's school dates can be found here:

<https://www.brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk/admin/ckfinder/userfiles/files/school-term-dates-2022-to-2023.pdf>

Mrs Trish Turner

Head Teacher



End of term	Back at school	School BBQ	End term 12pm	Inset days in Sept	Back to school in Sept
Fri 27 th May	Mon 6 th June	Thurs 21 st July	Fri 22 nd July	Fri 2 nd , Mon 5 th , Tues 6 th	Wed 7 th Sept

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School Hairdresser

We have previously had a hairdresser come into school to cut pupils hair who struggle to go to a hairdresser. We are looking at this to see if it is something parents would like us to do again.

Please click on the link to let us know your thoughts on this <https://forms.office.com/r/ogu45qmeNw>

Derbyshire Household Fund

following the government announcement, the Derbyshire household fund has been extended to September. The fund supports families that are struggling with daily living costs such as electricity, gas, food or clothing. The Family support team at school are able to do the application for you. If you are struggling at the moment, please email

earlyhelp@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk, and we will arrange to complete the form. This scheme is open to Derbyshire Residents only, For Derby City parents there is a scheme you can apply direct to again email early help who can support you to do this.



Private



School



Fund

There have been no donations made to the private school fund this half term.

At Brackenfield we build:



Curiosity



Cooperation



Courage



Determination



Honesty



Kindness



Resilience



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We are keen to build relationships with a range of employers who would work with us on this fantastic opportunity. If you have any contacts or are keen to work with us, please send their details to:

pupildcareers@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk

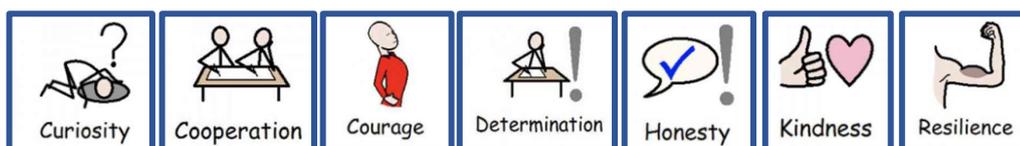
If you have any further questions, please email: parents@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk



All of pine simply love teddy during sensory breaks and navigating the environment Archie Patrick and Hudson all go to the horticulture gate to look for him. Hudson had truly the best day when he was allowed to take teddy for a walk. Kanan is pointing a teddy and saying dog!



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New COVID-19 Advice and Guidance

The COVID-19 restrictions have now stopped; this means there are no requirements to test, and the stay-at-home guidance has changed for everyone, whether you have had a vaccine or not.

All guidance can be found here: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Click here for advice on: [Symptoms](#) [Testing](#) [What to do if you think you have it](#)

If you have any questions, please email parents@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk



Derbyshire Healthcare
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NHS Disability Health Checks

The NHS have devised some advice and guidance to raise the profile of learning disability annual health checks. The health checks are for anyone with a learning disability who is 14 years or older. These carry on for the rest of the person's life. As a school we are keen to support this important health check and have the NHS coming into school to explain this to the children with a learning disability. **The NHS will also be at the parents evening on Wednesday 25th May to answer any questions for parents.**

Click the link below for the video from the NHS:

[NHS learning disabilities health checks information](#)

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Who can get a Learning Disability Annual Health Check?

	You can get an Annual Health Check if: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> you have a Learning Disability and <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> you are 14 years or older
	You need to be on the Learning Disability Register of your doctor's surgery
	Contact your doctor's surgery to find out if you are on their Learning Disability Register
	You can still have an Annual Health Check even if you feel healthy
	Find out more about Annual Health Checks by speaking to your doctor's surgery

At Brackenfield we build:



The classes have made a final video of their learning adventures over this year

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