



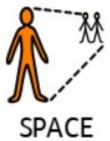
## Brackenfield SEND School Newsletter 2021-2022







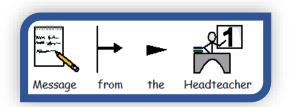
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Dear families,

This has been a difficult half term with regards to Covid outbreaks in school. At one point we had 28 members of staff testing positive, I can only apologise for the impact that this has had on the children, with class closures being the only option to keep the children safe. We are currently free of covid and my hope for the summer term is that we can move further back to a more normal way of operating.

Thank you for your support and patience through this really tricky time.

Our new build is well on the way. We now have the foundations and the floor level constructed.



Here's the link to the time lapse video: <u>click here to view video</u>



We have also had a really successful 2 night residential trip to Mount Cook. The children have enjoyed a range of outdoor activities through this time. We hope to be able to provide more experiences like this for the children in the future.

I would like to wish you all a restful Easer holiday and look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

Best wishes

Mrs Trish Turner

Head Teacher

Important dates	End of term	Return to school	Bank holiday	Inset day	Parents evening	End of term
	Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> May



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World Book Day was a day of celebrations across school.







Gabriella is a fantastically talented musician. She can play many instruments and entertains Willow class regularly.

We are sure you will be just as impressed:

Video 1

Video 2

Video 3

Private School Fund

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





















**Mount Cook** 

ADVENTURE CENTRE













#### At Brackenfield we build:













Kindness



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: <a href="mailto:pupilcareers@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk">pupilcareers@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk</a>

If you have any further questions, please email: <a href="mailto:parents@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk">parents@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk</a>



Training in Systematic Instruction (TSI) is **a** structured approach to teaching vocational and independent living skills to people have additional needs to training.

TSI has an emphasis on errorless learning and encourages decision-making by people with a learning disability enabling them to learn complex tasks leading to paid employment.

Kaycee expressed an interest in dog grooming and animal care.

Kaycee has spent time 1-2-1 with Teddie, walking him around the school ground, playing fetch and grooming Teddie to build a bond and trusting relationship.





Students in year 10 and 11 have been taking part in a weekly woodturning group. They have been so enthusiastic and focused this morning. They have a great rapport with the tutors, Graham, Derek and Dave. The standard of their work is exceptional and their attitude towards health and safety is equally impressive.

Look at these fantastic pens!



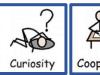








Thomas is keeping an eye on the new build, having meetings with the site manager. He has had a tour and is keeping staff and pupils up to date with the progress! He has been told about the different jobs on a building site too.













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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 haver had a vaccine or not.

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

Click here for advice on:

Testing

What to do if you think you have it

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

**Symptoms** 

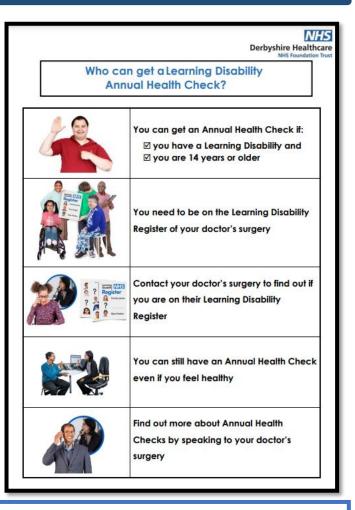


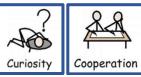
## **NHS Disability Health Checks**

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 25<sup>th</sup> May to answer any questions for parents.

All the information is on our website:

https://www.brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/ learning-disability-annual-health-check-information

















The following pages are external links and are being shared with you by the early help team. If you have any early help queries or would like some support at home, please email: <u>earlyhelp@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk</u>











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