



Whole School Information

Message from the Headteacher:

Drop off pick up time

I appreciate that drop off and pick up time can be busy, our absolutely priority is to ensure the passage of the children in and out of school and, to and from vehicles is safe and calm. Following our risk assessment, this means that children should not be crossing the line of traffic. In some cases, this is unavoidable, such as the zebra crossing on the school site. This area is manned by a member of our staff to support to pupils.

Going forward we are not able to have any taxi's or cars pulling up at the roundabout and dropping children here. Please either join one of the two taxi queues or park offsite and walk your child onto site using the pedestrian gate.

Thanks for your support with this.

Illnesses and Attending school



It can be difficult to know when to send your child into school when they are showing signs of illness and especially this time of year with reports of worrying illnesses. The UK health security agency advice is that children must continue to attend school as normal unless they are too unwell and have a high temperature. Further information is available [here](#) and please see when should I worry? [here](#)



If you are unsure, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Wet Weather Wear Reminder



Can we please ask that you send in named wellies (or suitable outdoor footwear) and waterproof clothing for use during the wet weather. It may also be appropriate to send in named spare clothes, including socks to provide a change if needed so the children can still access outdoor learning. If you require support in sourcing these items, please let us know by emailing parents@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk



Wow Moments

We love to hear about amazing things our pupils are doing at home! Please send in pictures or let us know what great things they are doing, and we can upload these to each pupils BOOP profile.

You can also download templates to put your WOW moments on from our school website. Please send them to parents@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk



Communication Strategies

We have some upcoming workshops for parents/carers please use this **form** to book your place on the following workshops-

Makaton 28/2/23 13:00-14:30

Attention Autism 07/3/23 13:00-14:30

*****NEWLY ADDED*** Sensology 14/03/23 13:00-14:30 Sensology is a great way to identify and recognise our 5 senses using everyday objects, this is also great for building listening, attention and anticipation! Please complete the form above to book**

These are suitable for all and will give chance to ask questions about how these approaches are delivered in school and request resources for home where appropriate.

If you are unsure which workshop would be best please contact

clawrence@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk You are welcome to join as few or many as you like.

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

Attachments

Sign of the week:

Our sign of the week this week is 'White' Please click this link to watch a video of the sign: [White \(makaton.org\)](http://White(makaton.org))

Upcoming dates from the school calendar

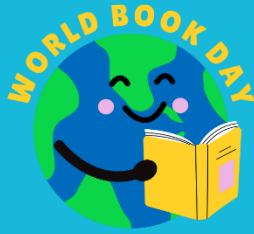
School Holidays:

We break up for half term on **Friday 17th February 2023** until **Friday 24th February 2023**. School reopens to pupils on **Monday 27th February 2023**.

Please note there is an update to the inset days for 2023. **Monday 8th May 2023** is now a Bank Holiday for the Kings coronation, school will be closed to staff and pupils on this date and the planned inset day on the **2nd May 2023** has been cancelled, school now be open to pupils on this date.

[Please click here](#) for a copy of the 2022-2023 school holidays.

[Please click here](#) for a copy of the Autumn and Winter Menu 2022-2023



Singing Hands Bedtime Story For World Book Day

Wednesday 1st March
2023
18:00 to 19:00
Online via Zoom

[Register Now](#)

Price: £6.50 per ticket**

Come and join Suzanne Miell-Ingram and Tracy Upton of Singing Hands for some Makaton-signed bedtime stories in aid of World Book Day. Get in your PJs and snuggle up with your favourite teddy or toy and sign some familiar favourite stories before you head off to bed.

This session is primarily to be enjoyed by little ones but will also benefit parents/carers looking for inspiration on how to incorporate more story-telling into routines at home. It can also be enjoyed by Early Years professionals who might like to come along and practice their signs too.

We anticipate this will be a popular event and spaces are limited so we recommend that you register as soon as possible to reserve your space:

https://makaton.org/iCore/Events/Event_Display.aspx?EventKey=SHMME_0103&utm_source=InfOrmz&utm_medium=Mailing&utm_campaign=Makaton&zs=tOgNn&zl=D09R2

Free for paid Makaton members

**Each ticket will allow one device to join the party, please do not share your login details.