



Whole School Information

Easter Newsletter

[Please click here to access the Brackenfield SEND School Easter Newsletter.](#)

Illnesses and Attending school – Video please watch: [attendance.mp4](#)



Your child should attend school every day. Sometimes your child may be too ill to come to school. Click [here](#) for a link to the NHS website which has useful information. The school times are from 8.55 – 9.10 drop off and 2.20 – 2.40 collection. If your child is not attending school, you must ring 0115 9733710 opt 2 between 8am and 9am



every day to let us know why or in exceptional circumstances only, email attendance@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk along with any medical evidence as other inboxes are not always manned. If we are unable to make contact home visits will be carried out by a member of the family support team. Thank you for your support.

Boop! -*Did you know you can view your child's targets on Boop?*



If you look at your child's profile and click on targets they are visible by MER (this is what we call our terms) we are now in MER4, please look at your child's targets and speak to your child's class team if you have any queries around these!

Horticulture Area:

After half term we will be planting out the Horticulture area at school, please could you send in any seeds, plant pots or compost you have spare at home to Jon Hardy – Thank you

Online Safety Advice

Snapchat - New Parental Controls

Snapchat have updated Family Center again, this time adding controls that block 'sensitive' and 'suggestive' content from viewing by under 18's. To enable this feature, parents can toggle on the 'Restrict Sensitive Content' filter within Snapchat's Family Center and once enabled under 18's should not be able to see the blocked content, although this is only on Stories and Spotlight (short videos). It has no effect on content shared in Chat, Snaps and Search, so it is pretty limited.

More information for parents about this new feature can be found [HERE](#) and an explanation in regards to what Snapchat considers sensitive content can be found [HERE](#).

Find the Fake

Research consistently shows that people over-estimate how good they are at spotting fakes. It is important that we all know how to recognise misinformation, so Internet Matters have put a great guide together, including explanations on trusted sources of information, types of fake news and even a Find the Fake quiz. Great for the classroom or for parents at home. You can find all the information [HERE](#).



If you are a parent or carer for a child aged between 0-19 and want advice or have any worries you can text the Parents and Carers ChatHealth Service on: **07507 327754**

We can help with all kinds of things like:



We might share sensitive information about your child but we would usually speak to you first. Parents with children up to the age of 19 can contact us and we will ensure the relevant professionals will respond. We may also share information with other health professionals if we think this will help your child. We will only do so with your consent. You can contact us at any time. If you need help before your child has been in school please call 07507 327754. We are unable to provide support for children with special educational needs. We support hearing loss (SEH) students only. Texts do not include images and some "texting" mobile apps. To protect the health and safety of our students we do not accept photos. Messages are charged at your provider.

Text our confidential line **07507 327754** for advice and support

Derbyshire Family Health Service

Welcome to the Derbyshire Family Health Service. We're a team of healthcare professionals here to support you and your family as part of the 0-19 year olds free public health and wellbeing services.

From birth to early adulthood, this website and our face to face services are here to provide you with the support and information you need to keep your family healthy.

Please [Click here](#) for more information.

Live Life BETTER DERBYSHIRE

The cost of living is rising, and this could have a big impact on all aspects of your finances including energy bills, the cost of your weekly shop and your take home pay. [Please click here for more information.](#)

[Please click here for more information and support on Stopping smoking.](#)

Hairdresser



The hairdresser will visit school on 19th April, if you would like your child's haircut and have not already told us please email earlyhelp@brackenfield.Derbyshire.sch.uk. The cost of haircuts is £10.



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

PE Kits



A reminder please that pupils must have PE kits in school. This is so that class teams can support with developing independence when getting dressed and undressed. Please ensure all items are named and stored in a named bag, which will be kept in school. If you have any further queries, please contact your class teams.

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

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 'Dance' Please click this link to watch a video of the sign: [To Dance \(makaton.org\)](https://www.makaton.org)

Derbyshire's Holidays and Activity and Food Programme Please use [this link](#) for information on Derbyshire's Holidays and Activity and Food Programme which will be delivered in your area over the upcoming school holidays between Monday 3rd April- Friday 14th April.

It's About Me is a FREE Holiday Activity and Food Programme funded by the Department for Education for children aged between 4-16, eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

Singing workshop and concert for children aged 5 - 14

Drop your children off for a fun singing workshop day followed by an afternoon concert at Nottingham's Albert Hall. 'Celebrate around the World!' as we learn songs from different cultures and musical styles, including popular songs from *Encanto*, *Matilda* and *Trolls World Tour*!



Dates and venues

22 April – South Nottinghamshire Academy, Radcliffe on Trent

23 April – Albert Hall, Nottingham

Sign up links

Find out further information here: <https://www.music-for-everyone.org/event/vocals-apr-2023/>

Sign up online here: <https://www.music-for-everyone.org/vocals-booking/>

Upcoming dates from the school calendar

School Holidays:

We break up for half term on **Friday 31st March 2023** School will finish at **12pm** until **Friday 14th April 2023**. School reopens to pupils on **Monday 17th April 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