



**Whole School Information**

**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](mailto: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.

**Parents Evening - Wednesday 17th May 3.00 - 5.30pm**

We would like to invite you to attend a 10 minute appointment with your child's key worker to discuss their progress and achievements this year. This appointment will be a telephone conversation.

We would also like to invite you to a 15 minute appointment with your child's new class teacher so that they can introduce themselves to you.

These appointments can be via teams, as a telephone call or in person if you would like to come into school.

Confirmation of your appointment time will be communicated to you via your class team.

If you are unable to attend on Wednesday 17th May your class team will be in touch to arrange an alternative time for a phone call during the week.

Please complete the form below to arrange a parents evening appointment with your child's keyworker and/or new class teacher - [Parents evening May 2023](#)

**Please can all forms be completed by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC)**

[Please click here](#) for information on symptoms, how to avoid, how to treat from GOV.UK

**Important recall of Emerade 300 and 500 microgram adrenaline auto-injector pens (AAIs):** If you or your child carries the Emerade brand of AAI, you should immediately contact your GP to get 2 replacement pens of a different brand - either EpiPen or Jext.

You should only return your Emerade pens to your local pharmacy once you have received your replacement AAIs.

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 8 students,

We will attend school during the summer term to vaccinate Year 8 students with the Human Papillomavirus vaccine (HPV vaccine).

Please visit <https://www.derbyshireandcityimms.co.uk/Forms/HPV> to complete the consent form. The option to consent or decline the vaccination is at the end of the questionnaire so please complete this even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination.

**School name: Brackenfield Special School**

**School code: DD113031**

**Date in school: 26 May 2023**

For more information about the vaccination please visit our website:

<https://www.derbyshirefamilyhealthservice.nhs.uk/our-services/5-10-years/school-age-immunisations>

If you wish to discuss or would like any support to complete the form, please contact the School Age Immunisation Team.

**Repton:** 01283 707178 **Clay Cross:** 01246 252953 or [DCHST.immunisation@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk](#)

### Family Support Team

Please use the following link for more information of soft play sessions for adults and child with additional needs: [Soft play sessions | Lea Green \(derbyshire-outdoors.org\)](https://www.derbyshire-outdoors.org/soft-play-sessions)

### CAMHS Support

Parent/Carers, if your child has been denied support from CAMHS, or you are still waiting to be seen, we are here to support you. You can call our Parents Helpline on 0808 802 5544 from 9:30am - 4pm, Monday - Friday.

You'll be connected to one of our trained advisors, who will listen to your concerns, and ask key questions to understand your situation as best as they can. They will tailor advice to your situation and suggest practical steps you can take and ways to support your child whilst waiting to access help from services. This could include contact details for relevant support services, practical tips you can implement at home or giving you advice around alternative options for support.

We know how lonely it can feel to be left without access to the professional support your family needs – but we are here for you.

**Puberty packs** – These are available from Early help. These contain information and activities to complete with you child at home. Please speak to your class team if you would like to receive a pack.

If you have already received a puberty pack, please fill in this survey to help us gain your feedback. <https://forms.office.com/e/xA6NphuT4w>

### Make sure to check BOOP for family support signposting.

#### Relationships and Health education

Please complete this questionnaire about Relationship, Health and sex education views and support needs. This is to help to develop the policy and resources to support you and your child. We would value your views and feedback. <https://forms.office.com/e/rPNvQvfzu0>

#### Derby City Home to School Travel Service Bulletin

Please use to the following links to view the Derby City Home to School Travel Service Bulletins:

[Pre 16 Bulletin April 2023](#)

[Post 16 Bulletin April 2023](#)

#### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 'To Love' Please click this link to watch a video of the sign: [To Love \(makaton.org\)](https://www.makaton.org)

#### **Upcoming dates from the school calendar**

##### **School Holidays:**

We break up for half term on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023** until **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023**. School reopens to pupils on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023**.

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

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