



Message from the Headteacher:

As parents and carers, we know it is important you can see your child’s personalised learning intentions. You can find these on BOOP. Please see the screenshots below of how to access these. If you are still unsure, please contact your class teams:

Cashpot for Schools

Asda is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their ‘Cashpot for Schools’ initiative (Supported by Joe Wicks as seen on the TV adverts) - all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose Brackenfield school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to us. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn’t stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started. Please click [HERE](#) for more information.

Whole School Information

Online Safety:

Please remember to monitor your child’s online activity, as this time of year brings online trends linked to horror themes and inappropriate content. You should check your filtering settings. If you need help with this, please email earlyhelp@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk

Family Support:



Save the Date – Our next Coffee Morning will be held on Wednesday 16th October 2024 in the school hall from 9.30am - 11am. Mrs Preece and Miss Holdway will be joining us to discuss RHSE and members of family support will be there to ask any questions.

See flyers below for details of local events/clubs.

Attendance

Here at Brackenfield School we strive to improve the attendance of our students. Each minute of the school day provides opportunities for learning, including social development and skills to prepare pupils for adulthood. It is important that our pupils have a routine and structure to their week and missing days of school can impact this.

Thank you for all your help and support in making sure your child attends school. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the attendance policy guidance for parents/carers.

Reminder:

If your child is unable to attend school because they are too ill, please phone their absence **each day** that they are not in with the reason why they are off and when you are hoping they will return.

Please see the NHS guidance about sending your child to school when they are ill. [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#)

Please remember we have a large healthcare team who can support with looking after your child if they are feeling unwell or on medication.

As you may be aware changes have been made to the government guidance around attendance and there is a new national threshold for penalty notices. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to see the poster for an overview of these changes and how they may affect you.

We are fast approaching the season where there will be lots of coughs and colds. Please continue to send your children to school and make your class team aware they are under the weather. We have additional ventilation, hand sanitiser and cleaning of areas to support this and your class team will be able to offer your child some additional TLC should they need it.

Sign of the week:

This week's sign is 'Glasses/Spectacles' - [Glasses / Spectacles \(makaton.org\)](#).

Upcoming dates from the school calendar

School Holidays:

We break up on **Friday 25th October 2024** until **Monday 4th November 2024**. School reopens to pupils on **Monday 4th November 2024**.

[Please click here](#) for a copy of the **2024-2025** school holidays – Please note the change in inset days from 6th May 2025 to **28th April 2025**.

Partial School closures to support staff training:

23rd Oct 2024 – school will be closed to Hazel; Pine; Rowan; Willow; Mulberry; Laurel; Cherry; Beech classes

24th Oct 2024 – school will be closed to Conkers; Hickory; Elm; Maple; Sycamore classes

25th Oct 2024 – school will be closed to Poplar; Spruce; Ash; Oak; Acorns; Cedar classes

Please use to the following link for the Derbyshire County Council lunch Menu: [Primary food explorers - Derbyshire Catering Service](#)

The class inbox email addresses:

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| Acorns | Acorns@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk | Willow | Willow@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk |
| Maple | Maple@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk | Hickory | Hickory@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk |
| Rowan | Rowan@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk | Conkers | Conkers@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk |
| Sycamore | Sycamore@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk | Spruce | Spruce@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk |
| Pine | Pine@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk | Elm | Elm@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk |
| Oak | Oak@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk | Cedar | Cedar@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk |
| Ash | Ash@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk | Poplar | Poplar@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk |
| Beech | Beech@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk | Laurel | Laurel@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk |
| Mulberry | Mulberry@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk | Hazel | Hazel@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk |
| Cherry | cherry@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk | | |

We want you to feel supported and effectively communicated with, so if you feel anything has been missed please email headteacher@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk and a senior leader will follow up your query.

It is also important you can access posts on BOOP, for your child and your child's class. If you are having issues with accessing this, please email pupiladmin@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk. Our pupil admin team can talk you through how to access and help rectify any issues.

**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

Please visit: 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.

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.

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| 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 |

WE NEED YOU



16TH OCTOBER 2024

10 AM – 12 PM

Cotmanhay Children's Centre (People's Centre)
Beauvale Drive | Ilkeston | Derbyshire | DE7 8RU

We are looking to set up a new Parents and Carers Group at the People's Centre.

We need your help by sharing your thoughts and ideas of what you would like the group to be.

This group is to meet other parents and carers to share your experiences, connect, support and feel part of a community.



SEN-FIT CIC HOLIDAY CLUB

ACTIVITIES
THEMED DAYS
DAILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
SENSORY AREA
CRAFTS
COOKING

SESSIONS ARE FOR THOSE WITH SEND NEEDS, INCLUDING ADHD, ASD, ANXIETY

AGES 8-16

**MUST BE BOOKED
COST £30 PER SESSION**

ALL SESSIONS 9AM TO 1PM
29TH OCTOBER @ ST HUGH CHURCH HALL, BORROWASH
30TH OCTOBER TEENS ONLY SESSION &
31ST OCTOBER @ SEN-FIT UNIT 2 QUEENS ROW, QUEENS STREET, LANGLEY MILL

TO BOOK EMAIL INFO@SEN-FIT.CO.UK OR CALL 07734455806

Sen-Fit run club

Weekly track sessions for
families, children and



adults with SEND
free to attend

Join us Mondays

18:15-19:00

Rutland sports

park

Ilkeston



For more info
Email info@sen-fit.com
Call 07734455806



TEA TIME CLUB FOR CHILDREN

FITNESS AND SOCIAL GROUP FOR CHILDREN WITH SEND

A weekly sessions for
Children aged 8-16, to get
active, socialise and have
fun.

Monday 4:30-6:30, Spondon
Thursdays 4-6, Heanor
Friday 4:30-6:30, Borrowash
£10 per session including Tea.

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