

Whole School Information

Message from Headteacher:

Welcome back to the new half term.

While the weather is very cold, please send your child into school with appropriate outdoor clothing including hat, scarf and gloves. Please can you ensure all items are clearly labelled so if they get misplaced, we are able to reunite them with their owner. You may wish to invest in hat and glove clips to attach to your child's coat, especially if they are prone to shedding extra layers. There are lots of options on Amazon [Click here to take you to Amazon.](#)

Events/ Updates/ Requests

SAVE THE DATE – Parent/Carer Coffee **Morning 22nd January 2025** in the School Hall.

We will be joined by a member of the NHS Public Health team who will be speaking about oral hygiene.

Planet Bounce SEN Sessions – Nottingham [Events - Planet Bounce Inflatable Park](#)

Clip N Climb Derby SEN Sessions - [Clip 'n Climb Derby](#)

Umbrella events calendar inc. Swimming sessions and parent/child groups [Activities & Events Calendar – Umbrella](#)

Please see the bottom of the bulletin for local events' posters for the coming months.

Attendance



Hello, I'm Sally Yates the new Attendance Manager. Please contact me with any absences or if you need any help, we are here to support you.

Attendance Tel. 07494 245 435 Email address attendance@brackenfield.derbyshire.sch.uk

Well done for good attendance this week, there are extra challenges at this time of year with the weather and darkness, it is important to keep the routines going, every minute in school is beneficial to your child.

We safeguard all children first and foremost by seeing them at school. This is why attendance is so important. Children with additional needs are 3 times more vulnerable than their mainstream peers. We also know pupils with additional needs are more likely to have health and medical needs.

Sign of the week:

Our sign of the week this week is 'Bread' Please click this link to watch a video of the sign:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gsVd6v1F1FY>

LEVEL BLEND is a new expressive arts group for young people aged 8 – 13 years old.

Our expressive arts blended sessions are for young people who have mild to moderate learning disabilities and those who don't.

Activities will include movement, storytelling, drama and dance, and are all about creative learning at the same time as having fun and socialising with other young people.

LEVEL BLEND will run as drop-in sessions from 4:30-5:30pm each Tuesday through term time. First session free!

Starting Tuesday 14 January 2025.

For more information please do get in touch on email danni@levelcentre.com, or follow the link on our website for registration information: <https://levelcentre.com/level-blend/>

Upcoming dates from the school calendar

We break up **Friday 14th February 2025** until **Monday 24th February 2025**. School reopens to pupils **Monday 24th February 2025**

[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**.

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

Whole School Reminders

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 – 14.30 – Wave 1 14.30 – 14.40 – Wave 2

The class inbox email addresses:

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



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



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.

Container Self-Storage - Simply First Ltd

The Embroidery Pod, Unit 13, Block B, Ind Estate, Mark St, Sandiacre, Nottingham NG10 5AD.



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.

Inclusive Waterpark Sessions

Thursday, Jan 02	Sunday, Feb 02	Wednesday, Feb 19
SEND	SEND	Autism-Friendly
16:30-18:00	15:30-17:00	16:00-17:30
Sunday, Mar 09	Sunday, Mar 23	Wednesday, Apr 16
SEND	Autism-Friendly	SEND
15:30-17:00	15:30-17:00	17:30-19:00
Sunday, May 25	Wednesday, May 28	Sunday, Jun 22
SEND	Autism-Friendly	SEND
15:30-17:00	17:30-19:00	15:30-17:00

Moorways Sports Village & Waterpark



Derbyshire Parent Carer Voice



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Lea Green soft play centre have announced their upcoming SEN soft play session dates:

SEN Soft Play Sessions

Lea Green offers dedicated SEN soft play sessions to individuals with additional needs, in a safe and inclusive environment.

- Wednesday 8th January (10 - 12 & 1 - 3)
- Wednesday 22nd January (10 - 12 & 1 - 3)
- Monday 27th January (10 - 12 & 1 - 3)
- Monday 17th February (10 - 12 & 1 - 3)
- Tuesday 18th February (10 - 12 & 1 - 3)
- Wednesday 19th February (10 - 12 & 1 - 3)
- Thursday 20th February (10 - 12 & 1 - 3)
- Friday 21st February (10 - 12 & 1 - 3)

Price:

£7 per child - includes hot drinks for all parents / carers

Please contact Lea Green direct to book your place.

01629 534561

leagreen.admin@derbyshire.gov.uk