

Whole School Information

Events/ Updates/ Requests

SAVE THE DATE – Parent/Carer Coffee Morning **22nd January 2025 9.30am-11am** in the School Hall.
We will be joined by a member of the NHS Public Health team who will be speaking about oral hygiene.

Please see the bottom of the bulletin for local events flyers.

Attendance

Keep up good attendance, it is so beneficial for your child. If you notice your child becomes more tired towards the end of the week we are able to offer them extra support, this would enable them to get something out of the day and keep routines going. It gives you some time for yourself too.

Keep your child protected, are their vaccinations up to date?

You may be aware from media coverage that there has been a nationwide decline in the number of children who are fully vaccinated against infectious illnesses such as measles.

Vaccination is a safe and effective way to protect your child against certain diseases, including measles, mumps, whooping cough, polio and meningitis. Without the immunity provided by a vaccination, your child is more likely to catch the disease and become seriously ill. This also puts other children and vulnerable adults at higher risk, as the disease can spread more easily when vaccination levels are lower.

Childhood vaccinations are offered free of charge by the NHS. We encourage you to make sure your child has received all the appropriate vaccinations for their age.

If you're not sure if your child has had all their routine vaccinations, check their personal health record (Red Book) or contact your GP surgery, which will have up-to-date records.

To protect your child and our staff from infectious illnesses, the school follows government and NHS guidance on when pupils should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. Please click here to read through the NHS Guidance: [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

Sign of the week:

Our sign of the week this week is 'Butter' Please click this link to watch a video of the sign: [BUTTER](#)

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.

SEN Children 4yrs upwards and their
siblings



SEN £5
siblings £3

tuck shop
craft
activities
sensory play

**JANUARY
17TH
5PM -7 PM
BLACKWELL COMMUNITY
CENTRE**

call text 07733060448 for info
facebook: SEN Disco insta: sendisco 1



February 2025

Newsletter

Thursday
20th Feb

19:00 - 20:00
FREE



FREE SESSION

Supporting Healthy Screen Use

A range of steps that can help minimise the harms from screens

Monday
3rd Feb

10:00 - 11:30
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Tuesday
11th Feb

19:00 - 20:30
£24



Facing Defiance

Specific strategy to help parents manage defiant and challenging behaviour, especially aimed at ADHD, ODD and PDA conditions, 5 to 12 years old.

Tuesday
18th Feb

19:00 - 20:30
£24



Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness

Get the facts and know the harms about these two drugs so you can hold an informed conversation with your teens.

Tuesday
25th Feb

19:00 - 20:30
£24



Understanding the Teenage Brain

A 'must see' for all parents and teachers of teens and pre-teens. Explains why teens think, feel and behave very differently from adults and how we can support them.

AEM

Autism East Midlands

Parent/Carer Workshops 2025

- Location:** Delivered over Zoom
- Time:** Each session (except for Sleep) will run once in the daytime, and once in the evening on the same day – these will be identical sessions, it is not necessary or expected that you attend both. Daytime sessions are 10-11.30am, evening sessions 7-8.30pm.
- Cost:** Free to attend
- Suitability:** Parents/carers of children under 18

What's on?

Tues 20 th May	Introduction to Autism
Tues 17 th June	Autism and Girls
Tues 15 th July	Autism and Sleep (no daytime session)
Tues 19 th August	Promoting Positive Behaviour
Tues 16 th September	Autism and Sensory Differences
Tues 21 st October	Autism and Schools
Tues 18 th November	Autism and Claiming Disability Living Allowance

Don't worry if you're not familiar with zoom or are uncomfortable with appearing on screen. We can arrange a practice Zoom beforehand if you feel that would help – just ask! During the actual workshop there is no pressure to have video or audio on, so you can just watch the presentation.

If you would like to attend any of the above dates, please email lesley.lock@aem.org.uk at least 24 hours before the workshop you would like to attend.



QUIZ NIGHT

RAFFLE PRIZES | REFRESHMENTS | 16+

SAT
1ST
FEB

8pm until 10pm

The Annie Hall Centre, Bedford
Close, Derby. DE22 3HQ.

£2 PER PERSON - MAX 6 MEMBERS PER TEAM

Book your place online via the website:

www.umbrella.uk.net

Long Eaton Parent/Carer Support Group

Long Eaton Family Centre | Lime Terrace
Long Eaton | NG10 4LF



Thursday 30th January

10am - 12pm

Join us for our first group back after the break we look forward to welcoming you with a hot drink.

We will be joined by Live Well Derbyshire for an hour of the session to give information about their service.



 01332 521229

 Umbrella Derby and Derbyshire

 www.umbrella.uk.net

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Evening Parent/Carer Support Group

Umbrella House | Birdcage Walk | Derby | DE22 4LD



Monday 27th January

7pm - 8:30pm

Join us for a session with Silvertime Legal.

Sharing information on:

- Tax
- Care
- Inheritance Tax
- Wills
- Power of attorney
- Implications of Sideways inheritance



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