

## **Brackenwood Junior School**



## Learning for Life

### Week ahead information – w/c 6th January 2025

# Whole School information

Headteachers Award – this will be presented in Fridays assembly to recognise exemplary contributions to our school values and ethos. This week's Headteacher Award will be given to Rosie D in Class 5WO. Parents/carers are invited to our celebration assembly on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January. Please arrive from 2.05pm for a 2.10pm start.

Lunch menu – week 1

Community garden rota - Week 1

Monday - INSET DAY

Tuesday – School reopens to pupils

Thursday – Rock Steady Music lessons begin.

Friday – For this week only, the Music Learning Links lessons (piano, guitar and ukulele) will be on Friday instead of Wednesday.

A reminder that from January, all payments for school meals will be via Arbor and **not ParentPay**. Please ensure from Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December you do not top up your ParentPay account. Any surplus balances or arrears on ParentPay will be moved to your child's Arbor account over the Christmas break. To top up your child's dinner money account on the Arbor App, click on the three lines at the bottom left of the screen then click on payments. This will bring up 'Active Payments'. Click on meals then click on 'Top Up Account' and follow the instructions to make a payment. If you have any queries regarding this, please contact the school office.

We are looking forward to starting the new year with a new initiative to make our streets safer, environment cleaner and our children healthier. More details of how you can join in will follow in the new term.

https://www.livingstreets.org.uk/media/ounpuzhe/wow-recognition-badge-english.png

### **Fundraising**

#### **Tesco Stronger Starts**

Our application for Tesco Stronger Starts has been successful. This means that from  $1^{st}$  October when you shop at the Tesco Stores listed below you can vote for our school using the blue tokens given when you buy something in store **(you only really have to purchase one item).** 

	Tesco Express, 6 Woodchurch Road, Birkenhead, CH41 2UF Tesco Express, Bebington Road, Birkenhead, CH42 4QF Tesco Express, 790-794 Borough Road, Birkenhead, CH42 9JG  Should we get the most votes, Tesco will then be able to donate £1500 to our school playground improvement fund.
BFG	The BFG are always looking for parent volunteers to join their amazing team. If you are interested or for further information, please email <a href="mailto:brackenwoodjuniorbfg@gmail.com">brackenwoodjuniorbfg@gmail.com</a>
Y3	Weekly attendance w/c 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2024 3B – 98.95% 3W – 95.24%  We have had a very hands-on and fun week this week. On Tuesday we went to the Peter Pan Pantomime and made cool snowman biscuits and on Thursday we put our sewing skills to the test by creating an Egyptian collar!  All year three staff would like to thank you for the amazing generosity you have shown us with Christmas gifts. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.  Parents of the children detailed below are invited to join us in our celebration assembly on Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> January. Please arrive at 2:05pm for a 2:10pm start. The children receiving awards are:  3B Matthew Isla-Rose Evelyn  3W Matthew Miles Benny
<b>Y4</b>	Weekly attendance w/c 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2024 4K – 95.71%  Our Year 4 children will be starting Ukulele lessons after the Christmas break. This forms part of our music curriculum and will take place during normal lesson time. Each class will receive one hour of teaching on a Wednesday afternoon from a specialist ukulele teacher and will have the opportunity to bring a ukulele home for them to practise.  Our children have been amazing this half term and deserve a well-earned rest over the Christmas holidays. We wish all of our families a very happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing everyone refreshed in the new year.
	Mrs Kavanagh and Miss Thomas

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Reading, Writing and Maths lessons.

They have responded so well to these grouping in Autumn Term and we find the transitions between adults and classrooms really helps to prepare them for secondary school.

As well as this, we have re-looked at the intervention groups for children on track for the expected standard and for children on track for the greater depth standard. These groups will be monitored closely in order to provide children with the support they need to achieve their potential. We've been blown away by their commitment to their learning so far this year and we are excited to see what they will achieve.

If anyone has any questions around groupings, interventions or data, you're welcome to contact Mrs Lees or Miss McKinney to discuss this.

Happy new year everyone!

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6LB Adam B Logan H Sophia L

6M Ayla Millie Daisy