

Brackenwood Junior School



Learning for Life

Week ahead information – w/c 15th September 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 Arlo C in Class 3W. Parents/carers are invited to our celebration assembly on Friday 19th September. Please arrive from 2.05pm for a 2.10pm start.

A reminder that outside Awards and Class Recognition Awards will now be celebrated every Monday morning in class assemblies. Please ask the children to bring in their outside awards on a Monday and not a Friday.

Lunch menu – week 1 - A reminder that parents/carers are now able to order their children's meals on Arbor.

Community garden rota - Week 1

For Community Garden projects we are working on, please could you keep any bottle tops, ideally colourful ones, but we'll take any for our amazing project.

We are also in need of topsoil for our planters in the Community Garden. If you have any surplus soil you would be able to donate, we would appreciate it very much.

As we are a school that promotes healthy eating, we would be grateful if all snacks that children bring in for break times are healthy snacks e.g. a piece of fruit or vegetables and that children do not bring crisps, chocolate, etc. to school to eat at break times. They are welcome to have these snacks as part of their lunch but they will not be permitted to have them at break times. Toast is available in the canteen for those that would like to order toast for their breaktime snack. We would also remind you that we are a nut free school as we have some children with severe allergies to nuts. We thank you for your co-operation in this regard.

Reading Volunteers needed. We are always happy and appreciative to welcome volunteers to listen to our lovely children read. If you could spare even just an hour in your week, we'd be very grateful! Please let the office know if you are interested. Ms Dawson, English Lead

A reminder that our cute little hamster Dexter is available to take home for the weekends. Please email hammyhotel@brackenwood-junior.wirral.sch.uk with your child's name, class and preferred weekend/availability.

Trim trail - For the safety of all children, we kindly ask that the trim trail is **not used unless a member of staff is present to supervise**. Please ensure your child does not use the equipment before or after school, or at any other time when staff supervision is not in place. Thank you for your support in helping us keep everyone safe.

Friday - Individual Photographs

ATTENDANCE

Weekly attendance for w/c 8th September

3S - 97.2% 3W - 100%

4K - 100% 4W - 93.16%

5W - 96.54% 5WI - 98.52%

6D - 98% 6M - 95.71%

🌟 Attendance Matters – Every Day Counts! 🌟



At Brackenwood, we are committed to helping every child succeed — and good attendance plays a vital role in that success. Last year, our attendance was above the National expectation and our persistent absentees were below National which is brilliant and something we certainly want for the year ahead as well. Children who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve their full potential, both academically and socially.

We carefully monitor and track attendance across the school. At certain points, we might send out attendance letters to keep parents and carers informed or to arrange a meeting to discuss your child's attendance. Mrs Johnson may also get in touch by phone if your child's attendance becomes a concern. We want to work with our families so that all children have good attendance and where needed, we can put support in place.

If you are struggling to get your child into school, please speak to us as soon as possible. We are here to help, and our Early Help Advisor can offer support and guidance to overcome any barriers to attendance as well as our attendance lead from the local authority.

Please help us by ensuring your child is in school every day, on time. Our gates are open between 8:45 - 8:55 a.m. and we love welcoming them in through the gates each day.

Thank you for your continued support - it is very much appreciated!

SEND All parents of children who are on the SEND register have now been contacted to confirm this. If you feel your child should be on our register but have not had the message, please contact the school office to discuss this. As always, if we feel your child has any struggles and may need additional support throughout the year, will will discuss this with you and see what we can put in place to help. We are proud to have 61 pupils on our SEND register, meaning 30% of our pupils have SEND needs:) **BFG** The BFG (Brackenwood Fundraising Group) are urgently seeking more volunteers and new committee members to join their amazing team. If you are interested or for further information, please email brackenwoodjuniorbfg@gmail.com **Y3** It's been another exciting week in year 3. We have really got to grips with our new book The Wild Robot. We have generated some fantastic vocabulary to describe Roz. Our pupils continue to amaze us with their fantastic mathematical knowledge of partitioning numbers to 1,000 using part-whole models. Everyone enjoyed playing on the trim trail this week. We can't wait for another week of fun! On Monday afternoon we will be making our Year 3 welcome phone calls between 1.00 and 3.20pm. This will be from a Private Number. Please don't worry if you miss the call, we will try again a little later. On Friday, remember to look your smartest as there are individual photos on Friday, 19th September. We are happy to help in any way we can. Regards Mr Williams & Mr Smith Parents of the children detailed below are invited to join us in our celebration assembly on Friday 19th September. Please arrive at 2:05pm for a 2:10pm start. The children receiving awards are: 3S Alex Lyra Hallie 3W Arlo Millie Alfie

Y4

We have had another great week in Year 4 this week and have been particularly impressed with how well the children in 4K have behaved during their swimming lessons and the effort they have all put in. It will be 4W's turn to swim next week. Please can they have a swimming kit in school every day next week, including a towel. In addition, can all long hair be tied back and jewellery removed (particularly earrings) before the children come to school each day.

Please note, children will not return from swimming until 3.30pm on Friday. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Many thanks.

Mrs Kavanagh and Miss Worthington

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4K

Jessica R

Carson C

Amirah C

4W - We are swimming next week. Certificates will be given out in the following week's assembly on Friday 26th September

Bobby Isabelle Isla-Rose

Y5

A reminder that PE is on a Thursday. Please send your child to school in their PE uniform.

As the weather is so unpredictable, please ensure your child has a coat in school each day.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Woodall and Mrs Williams

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5W

Ruby R

Alfie

Jessica

	5WI Jack Florence Ezra
Y6	We are pleased to say that we have chosen our Head Prefects, Prefects and Sports Prefects for this year! If your child has been chosen, you will receive an email inviting you to our assembly next Friday to celebrate their achievement. We have told the children that there will hopefully be opportunities throughout the year to elect other children as prefects so we will be keeping our eyes peeled for those who show our learning habits on a daily basis.
	6D will be swimming w/c 22nd September and 6M will be swimming w/c 29th September. We would be very grateful for any parent volunteers who would be happy to join us in the afternoons (from 12:45-3:30) to make up the numbers needed for the coach. Please let the office know if you're available.
	In w/c 22nd September, we will be doing some SATs baseline tests with the children which may affect groupings and interventions. Please reassure your children, as we have, that these are nothing to worry about and just used as an assessment tool for staff.
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	6D Frankie Ke Charlie Maisie
	6M Rosie Alex Emily