



Week ahead information – w/c 19th January 2026

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 Lewis in Class 4W. Parents/carers are invited to our celebration assembly on Friday 23rd January. 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

Trim Trail - a reminder that children are not permitted to use the play equipment at any time without staff supervision. We have noticed an increase in smaller children using this unsupervised while waiting for siblings to finish school.

Monday - Installation of the new play equipment starts. The bike/scooter store on the playground will be unavailable, please use the one at the front of school.

Tuesday - Y5/6 Dodgeball tournament (selected pupils only)

Wednesday - Parent consultations go live to book at 6.30pm

Friday 6th February is the NSPCC number day. We're very excited to get involved and raise money for a children's charity as well as have a great time in school exploring maths. On the day we would like the children (and staff!) to wear an item of clothing with a number on it and make a donation. This could be a favourite sports top or cap, or even a onesie. Or why not get more creative and design a unique t-shirt, hat or even become a human-sized calculator or dice!

Donating is easy, please give directly to the NSPCC using the following link charity.giftt.tech/brackenwoodjuniorschool Unfortunately, we are unable to accept cash donations at school.

We are looking for parent volunteers to help move some soil into planters. Please contact the school office if this is something you are able to help with.

ATTENDANCE	Weekly attendance for w/c 12th January 3S - 98.46% 3W - 100% 4K - 98.82% 4W - 97% 5W - 98.46% 5WI - 91.85% 6D - 90.97% 6M - 95.19%
SEND	Updated Support Plans and Health Care Plans will be sent home in the coming weeks so keep an eye out for communication regarding this soon :) Ms Balmer
BFG	The BFG (Brackenwood Fundraising Group) are always looking for enthusiastic parents and carers to join our committee or lend a hand at school events. Whether you can give a little time or a lot, your help makes a big difference in supporting our children and school community. If you're interested in getting involved, we'd love to hear from you! Please email us brackenwoodjuniorbfg@gmail.com
FUNDRAISING	We have received notification this week from Wirral Hospice St John's that we raised an incredible £1245.40 by taking part in the Rudolph Run 2025. They want to thank everyone for their amazing fundraising efforts and for taking part.
Y3	While Mrs Lees is not in school, there will be some staffing changes in Year 3. Mrs Smith will be taking over Ms Balmer's teaching responsibilities in 3S until Mrs Lees returns. Mrs Smith will be in 3S all day on a Friday to cover Mr Smith's PPA and ECT time. Mr Williams will have his leadership time on a Tuesday and his PPA on a Friday morning but will be in class on a Friday afternoon. Mrs Smith and Mrs Case will be covering. Mr Williams will be on site as usual on these days. Parents of the children detailed below are invited to join us in our celebration assembly on Friday 23rd January. Please arrive at 2:05pm for a 2:10pm start. The children receiving awards are: 3S Daisy Rose Alex 3W Jacob Lillie Jenson

Y4	<p>As part of our community project, Year 4 will be visiting a local nursing home. Every other week, a small group of children will be accompanied by a school adult to spend some time with the residents - the children will play games, complete crafts etc and return to school before the end of the school day.</p> <p>We have a lot of lost property in Year 4 that is unnamed and has not been claimed by the children, despite our efforts to return these items to their owners. We will put them into our lost property area but can we ask that all school uniform be named please so that we can return items to you as soon as possible.</p> <p>Whilst Mrs Lees is not in school, Mrs Smith will be teaching 4K instead of Ms Balmer on a Thursday. She's settled with the class really well and Ms Balmer is still around for support.</p> <p>Many thanks.</p> <p>Mrs Kavanagh and Miss Worthington</p> <p>Parents of the children detailed below are invited to join us in our celebration assembly on Friday 23rd January. Please arrive at 2:05pm for a 2:10pm start. The children receiving awards are:</p> <p>4K Max Sophie Jess</p> <p>4W Parker Evelyn Isaac</p>
Y5	<p>Homework is given out each Friday. It consists of a maths and a spelling task, playing TTRS and reading (3 times a week). Please can you encourage your children to read and do their times tables at home. Homework is due every Thursday. Thank you for your support.</p> <p>Parents of the children detailed below are invited to join us in our celebration assembly on Friday 23rd January. Please arrive at 2:05pm for a 2:10pm start. The children receiving awards are:</p> <p>5W Charlotte Leo T Lucas Betsy</p>

	<p>5WI Miles Emilia</p>
Y6	<p>We are super proud of the whole of Year 6 for how amazingly they worked on our DT day! They worked collaboratively, creatively and were super polite to all the adults who kindly volunteered to help out throughout the day. Well done, Year 6!</p> <p>In PE, one of our units is cricket. Due to works being carried out on the playground next week, the lessons will likely take place on the field (weather permitting). On Wednesday for PE, please ensure your child is wearing older trainers that you don't mind getting a bit muddy.</p> <p>On the subject of trainers, we've noticed a number of children wearing them to school rather than school shoes. A kind reminder that, unless previously agreed, all children should come to school in school shoes with the exception of PE days. We appreciate your support with this.</p> <p>Parents of the children detailed below are invited to join us in our celebration assembly on Friday 23rd January. Please arrive at 2:05pm for a 2:10pm start. The children receiving awards are:</p> <p>6D Andrew Georgia S Isabel</p> <p>6M Nancy Reggie Josh</p>