



Brackenhurst Primary School

Newsletter 30/2019
1 October 2019



Dear Parents,



WELCOME BACK

Welcome back after the holidays. We hope all our children are ready for the last Term of 2019.

INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS – 4 OCTOBER

Please note that our Interhouse Athletics will take place on Friday, 4 October. Parents are welcome to attend. Learners must wear their house shirts and PE shorts. Please bring water and sunscreen as well.

Please note that this is a normal school day. Please do **NOT** keep your children at home as work continues, especially in the Foundation Phase.

TRAVELLING BOOKSHOP

The Travelling Bookshop will visit our school on Wednesday 2 October and Thursday 3 October – see advertisement at the end of this newsletter.

SAVE THE DATE – 2 NOVEMBER 2019

Our annual Colour Festival will take place on Saturday 2 November 2019. Be on the look out for our advert.

SCHOOL TIMES

Grade 1 – 2: 07:50 – 13:30 every day
Grade 3 – 7: 07:50 – 14:00 every day

SCHOOL TERMS 2019

Term 4: 1 October – 4 December

ACADEMIC

CYCLE DAYS – TERM 4

DAY	DATE
5	Tuesday, 1 October
6	Wednesday, 2 October
7	Thursday, 3 October
0 – INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS	Friday, 4 October
1	Monday, 7 October
2	Tuesday, 8 October
3	Wednesday, 9 October
4	Thursday, 10 October
5	Friday, 11 October

CULTURAL

Please note the practise times for the following cultural activities:

Mondays: Marimba, 14:15 – 15:15

Tuesdays: Snr Choir, 14:15 – 15:45
Gumboot, 15:30 – 16:30

Wednesdays: Jnr Choir, 14:00 – 15:00
Drumming, 14:15 – 15:15

Thursdays: Gumboot, 15:30 – 16:30
Jnr African Dancers, 14:30 – 15:30

SPORTS

Practice Schedule – Term 4

Sport	Under	Day/Time
Mini-cricket	7	Mon & Wed 13:30 – 14:30
Mini-cricket	8	Tue & Thu 13:30 – 14:30
Mini-cricket	9	Tue & Wed 14:00 – 15:00
Touch Rugby	1 st team girls	Mon & Wed 14:30 – 15:30
Touch Rugby	2 nd team girls	Tue & Thu 14:30 – 15:30
Touch Rugby	1 st team boys	Mon 14:30 – 15:30 Fri 14:15 – 15:15
Touch Rugby	2 nd team boys	Mon & Tue 14:30 – 15:30

Tennis

Free Tennis takes place on Mondays. For more information, contact Coach Rudolph on 064 525 1665.

Chess

Practices are held as follows (***Please note the changes!***):

Mondays Gr 3 – 7 from 14:30 to 15:30

Tuesdays Gr 1 – 2 from 13:45 to 14:30

Zumba

Zumba has begun and takes place every

Monday:

Grade 1 – 7: 14:00 – 14:45



PE Uniform

Please note with regards to the PE uniform, the school is merely providing this service to the parents. The school is not the supplier for this uniform. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Van Rensburg on 074 780 5522.

See advertisement at the end of this newsletter. Brackenhurst Primary sport kits are also on sale at the Sports Office **every Wednesday morning 07:00 – 07:45**. Learners may also to buy the uniform any day during their breaks.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Check the Dojo school story regularly for community news and opportunities.

Term 4 collection:

Coin Collection Term 3

Thank you so much for collecting coins for St. Mary's Orphanage. We managed to donate R1650,00 to them. What a great response!

Casual Day raised R12 246,00 for the disabled. Thank you Mrs Engelbrecht for selling the stickers. ☺

Term 4 collection:

Considering the state of our nation, we are raising money for the TEARS FOUNDATION. They assist child and adult victims of rape, sexual assault, domestic violence, etc. Please go and look at their website.

Please send spare change and if possible, try to send a total of R10 during the term. Thank you! It all adds up!

Juniors to please send to Miss Tambellini and seniors to Miss Palm. Grade 6P, 4P and Gr 7s may help Miss Palm to separate coins on Mondays after school for half an hour. Thank you to all learners and teachers and Aunty Sheena for counting all the coins!



The meaning of the "TEAR"

Tear Drop

"Our teardrop logo is a symbol for weeping at the violence and degradation suffered by rape and abuse victims; but, more importantly, it is a symbol of cleansing, healing and hope"

Children's Books

Hi all, could I ask if anyone with children's books they're finished with could bring them to school? A lady is donating a container to the squatter camp in Germiston to turn into a little library like we did for Rondebult. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. We will be collecting up until the end of term 4's second week. We have received a great number of books already. Thank you!

Bottle tops and Bread tags!

We have reached 180 kilograms. Wow! We need 450 kg for a wheelchair. Please keep sending! Every bit makes a difference! Thank you for all the donations. ☺

Hidden Treasures

Please send names to Ms Pheiffer on Dojo if your child would like to volunteer during the holiday. It's a very big life lesson and it's extremely enjoyable!

Please send all and any second-hand donations to Mr Mostert e.g. Toys, clothes, appliances, books, gadgets, bedding, cutlery, crockery, CDs, DVDs, etc. All the proceeds go towards feeding orphans.

SPCA

Please assist us with collecting newspapers, blankets, pet food (wet or dry), soft leads and collars (no chains please), pet toys, food and water bowls. These items are to go to Mrs. Robinson (G31). These donations will then be dropped off at the Alberton SPCA.

Your contributions will go a long way and is so appreciated.

Pollution Solution

We are trying to keep our school spotless. Any Grade 4 – 7 learners may collect a black bag from Ms Pheiffer. Also we are making eco-bricks with our pollution and 2 litre cold drink bottles.

Let's start making Eco Bricks!

Mrs. Lawrenz will be collecting this term. Collect plastic, chocolate and chips' wrappers, etc. NOT PAPER. This is such a fabulous initiative! Help us clean up our area. Kids can bring a 2 litre cool drink bottle to school and put any waste mentioned above in their

bottle during the day. A house has even been built with these... Ripley's Believe it or not..... !

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES:

This was such a success last year and we blessed hundreds of elderly people. Pls make up a shoebox if you feel you'd like to.

Basic Items:

Magazine

Soft sweets

Tissues

Face cloth

Toothpaste

Toothbrush

Soap

Any other treats are welcome. If you'd like to make one for a Diabetic, pls put a sticker on the lid to say so.

Thank you in advance! Last year we brought joy to just under 700 of the aged.

BPS...Making a difference!

NEWSLETTER AND SCHOOL COMMUNICATOR

We will only send out hard copies of the newsletter to parents who have submitted a written request to the register teacher. The newsletter is available via the D6 Communicator app and can also be downloaded from the website, www.brackenprim.co.za. The newsletter will also be downloaded on the children's tablets.

PLEASE MAKE USE OF THE SCHOOL COMMUNICATOR

The school's newsletter is published every Monday during the school term. Then newsletter can be accessed via the following:

- 1) Your child's tablet (Grades 4 – 7). The newsletter can be downloaded onto their device on a weekly basis.
- 2) The School's website:
www.brackenprim.co.za/newsletter-archive.
- 3) The communicator app for PC or Laptop – download the software from
www.d6.co.za/education/downloads.
- 4) The communicator app for your Smartphone – download the D6 communicator app from your mobile app store.

This is a software programme that will ensure reliable and up to date communication with you, the parent/guardian. This programme is simple and easy to use and can be installed on your home and/or work computer/s and/or smartphone. This will allow us to keep you up to date on a daily basis as to what is happening at school.

Should you have any queries, please contact Mr Fabel or Mrs Roets on (011) 900 1000.

GENERAL

Tuck Shop

Attached to the newsletter is the full Tuckshop Menu.

'HELP-U' ADVERTISER

The 'Help-U' advertiser is published once a month at the end of the month. The cost of a business card size ad is R50,00 monthly. If you would like to advertise in the 'Help-U' Advertiser, please forward your details together with the money to Colette Kruger at the school office. No pictures – just wording.

PARENTS' CORNER

It's never too early – and it's never too late – to start a Culture of Accountability in your home.

The word "accountable" itself means *responsible*, or *taking responsibility for one's actions*. So when we are talking about children, the question becomes, how will you make sure your child accounts for his or her actions? In other words, how will your child take responsibility for their behaviour after the fact? And how can we help them think about that responsibility *before* they behave inappropriately?

Remember, we want to promote a system of responsibility and accountability for actions in our home. This means that each member of the family is responsible for their own actions and behaviours, each person is responsible for following rules and expectations and each is responsible for how they respond to stressful or frustrating situations. The simple truth is that most children, and even adults, *don't* take responsibility for their actions, refuse to follow rules they find unfair, and find ways to justify their behaviour.

When you have created a Culture of Accountability in your home, your child will know that no matter *who* started it, or what happens first, everyone is responsible for their own behaviour, and everyone has to follow the rules.

Giving consequences and sticking to them is another important piece of the **accountability** puzzle: your child should know that if he chooses to break the rules; there will be a consequence for that choice. **The bottom line is that no one in the family should get away with changing the rules to fit their needs or feelings.**

Use consequences to hold your child accountable

Once you have clarified the rules and helped your child come up with some ideas on how he might behave, let him know what he can expect to see happen if he still chooses to break the rules. Remember, tie the consequences to your child's behaviour, and keep them short-term. For example, let your child know, "If you choose to call your brother names, you will lose access to your electronics until you can speak appropriately for two hours." Be sure to follow through with the consequences you set; remember, without clear consequences, there is no real incentive for your child to become accountable.

The good news is that creating a Culture of Accountability, is a very reachable goal for parents. In fact, effective parenting helps your child learn to be accountable – to both accept responsibility for meeting the expectations of your family, and to develop the skills they need to meet these expectations. When all the members of your family start becoming accountable to each other, your children will have a clear understanding of the rules and will be much more motivated to uphold them.

Realise that when you first try to put the Culture of Accountability into place in your home, your children may fail to meet their responsibilities, even with clear

limits and good problem solving techniques. It will take practice to help them understand that they will be held accountable for their actions. Remember, "Parents are the solution, not the problem." You can teach your children the skills they need to take responsibility in their lives now, and for their future. In this way, they will grow up into accountable adults.

Article from EMPOWERING PARENTS.com

And FINALLY...

REMEMBER, A day without a smile is like a day without sunshine!

And a day without sunshine is, like.....night!!!!

Regards,



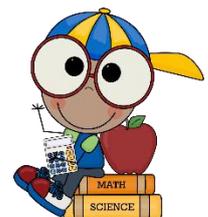
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PRINCIPAL**

UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

PE UNIFORM



PE shirts	R160 (RED)
Skort	R160
Shorts	R140
Tracksuits	R380 - R400
CAPs	R50
Beanies	R60
BPS Sporting kit	



on sale at the sports office. On sale every
Wednesday morning 07h00 – 07h30

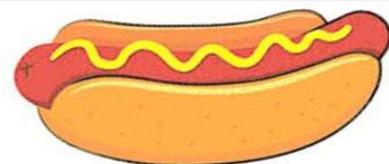
LEARNERS: are welcome to buy anytime during the school day (breaks)
*NO WAITING PERIOD... tracksuits are available from the sports office
size 20 – 30 R380; size 32 – 38 R400.*

TUCKSHOP MENU

FOOD

Weekly Menu - Lunch of the day		
Monday	Toasted Ham & Cheese	R15
Tuesday	Cheese Griller Dog	R15
Wednesday	Toasted Cheese	R14
Thursday	Hotdog	R14
Friday	Pie of your choice as follows: <i>(Pepper Steak / Chicken / Steak & Kidney / Cornish / Sausage Roll, Cheese & Onion)</i>	R17
Friday Combo Deal: Pie + Small Kingsley Cool drink +Packet of Sweets		R30

Toasted Sandwiches		Breakfast Only (Served from 06:30)	
Cheese	R14	Toast & Jam	R6
Cheese & Tomato	R15	Toasted Bacon, Egg & Cheese	R23
Ham & Cheese	R18	Hot Cross Buns with Margarine	R6
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	R20	Every Day	
Bacon & Cheese	R20	Hot Dog	R14
Chicken Mayo & Bacon	R22	Cheese Griller Dog	R15
Chicken Mayo & Cheese	R22	Pie of Your Choice	R17
Chicken Mayo	R20	2nd Break Only	
Biltong & Cheese	R22	Russian & Chips	R27
Bacon, Cheese, Onion & BBQ Sauce	R22	Slap Chips	R15
Wraps		Russian & Chip Roll	R16
Chicken Wrap	R26	Snacks – All Day	
Chicken & Feta Wrap	R28	Muffin	R8
Salad Wrap	R18	X-Large Biscuit	R8
Biltong & Feta Wrap	R30	Yoghurt	R5
Salads		Biltong Wheel	R9
Chicken & Feta	R28	Biltong Stick	R5
Basic Salad	R18		
Biltong & Feta	R30		





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AWESOME BOOK SALE!!!

We will be visiting

Venue: BRACKENHURST PRIMARY

Date: 2 OCTOBER 2019 - WEDNESDAY

Time: 10H00 – 15H00

Date: 3 OCTOBER 2019 – THURSDAY

Time: 07H30 – 14H30

**Price range: Between R25.00 and
R250.00**

**A huge variety of brand new top quality books at...
Amazing Discounts.**

Contact: VINETTE 082 559 2574

*(Credit/Debit Card Facilities are
Available)*

**Yip, see
you there!**





11 September 2019

To whom it may concern

COMFORT PACK FOR WOMEN/MEN

- Face cloth
- Panties (small, med or large – no G-strings and no writing)
- Sanitary towels (individually sealed and not large pack with open as we place 3 in each bag)
- Soap (preferably bars)
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Shampoo (travel size)
- Deodorant (spray) for women and men
- Comb or brush
- Hairclips and hairbands
- Body lotion
- Small notebook and pen
- Tissues (small packs)
- Sweet – energy sweet i.e. Super C or glucose (no chocolates as these melts in the bags)
- Small bottled water
- Lip balm or small Vaseline
- Note - words of comfort/care
- Handbag for ladies

(The only change for men's bags is the underwear and deodorant – the rest remains the same)

No used items please.

Additional items to be handed to the Centres: Tracksuit pants and T-shirts or gown and slippers, small hand towel

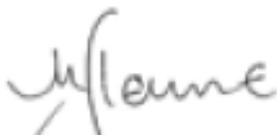
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KIDDI PACK (FOR WHEN THE CASE IS REPORTED)

- A4-sized fabric drawstring bag
- Surgical gloves
- Panties/underpants (from ages 2 to 12)
- Pack of tissues (small packs)
- Wet wipes (small packs)
- Soap (preferably bars)
- Facecloth
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Hairbrush
- Hairclips and hairbands (for girls)
- Lip balm
- Sanitary towels (individually sealed as we place 3 in each bag)
- Small brown paper bag
- Notebook and pen
- Colouring pencils/crayons
- Colouring in book
- Plasters
- Cool drink/small bottled water
- Snacks - chips /sweets/biscuits
- Teddy/soft toy

Additional items to be handed to the Centres: Kiddie tracksuits (all sizes) and a small hand towel



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