



Brackenhurst Primary School

Newsletter 18/2018

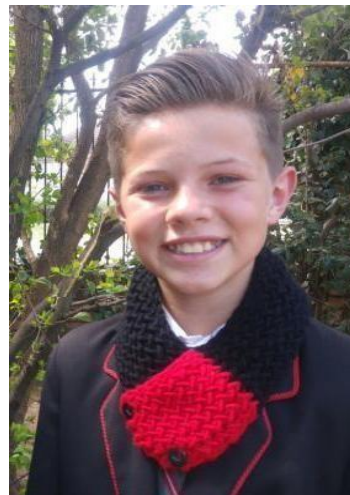
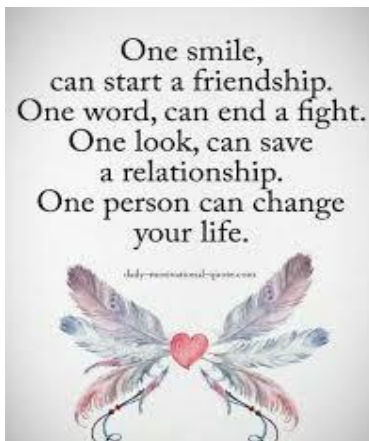
1 June 2018



Dear Parents

SCHOOL SCARVES

Quote for the Week:



CANCER CIVVIES DAY – 8 JUNE

We will be having a CANCER CIVVIES DAY on Friday, 8 June 2018. The cost is R10,00. Money to be paid to the register teachers, from 4 to 8 June 2018.

Brackenhurst Primary Hand Woven

Winter Scarves

Available now at R100 each. To order, please email knittingknott@gmail.com or send an sms to 082 774 7173.



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 will be available via the Communicator 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 Friday during the school term. The newsletter can be accessed via the following:

1. Your child's tablet (Grade 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 the 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.

The D6 School Communicator 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 Bombardella on (011) 900 1000.

SCHOOL TIMES

Please note the following school times:

Grade 1-2: 07:45 – 13:30 every day

Grade 3-7: 07:45 – 14:00 every day

SCHOOL GATES OPENING AND CLOSING TIMES

Parents, please take note of the following:

Morning:

Foundation Phase gate – open 06:00, locked at 07:50.

Mommies and daddies gate – open at 06:00, locked at 07:50

Sports field gate – open at 06:00 – locked at 07:50

Afternoon:

Mommies and daddies gate – open at 13:30
Locked at 14:15

Sports field gate – open at 14:00 – locked at 14:15

SCHOOL TERMS 2018

Term 1: 17 January – 28 March

Term 2: 10 April – 22 June

Term 3: 17 July – 28 September

Term 4: 9 October – 12 December.

School/Public Holidays: 27

April – Freedom Day

30 April – School Holiday

1 May – Workers' Day

16 June – Youth Day

9 August – National Women's Day

10 August – School Holiday

24 September – Heritage Day

16 December – Day of Reconciliation

17 December – Public Holiday

25 December – Christmas Day

26 December – Day of Goodwill

E-LEARNING LEVY

E-Learning Levy for Grades 4 – 7 is R350,00. If we do not receive this levy, we will not be able to load the software onto your child's tablet and they will continue working from hard copy text books..

An annual levy of R200,00 per child for learners Grade 1 – 3 should be paid before end January 2018. This will cover the cost of the trolley solution with tablets we have purchased for our Foundation Phase learners.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:
IF YOU PAY THE R350,00
(INTERSEN PHASE) OR R200,00
(FOUNDATION PHASE) VIA EFT,
REFERENCE TO BE USED IS
YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND E-
LEVY. DO NOT PAY THIS
AMOUNT WITH YOUR SCHOOL
FEES.**

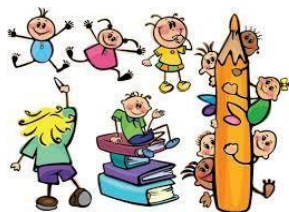
**IT MUST BE A SEPARATE
PAYMENT. IF YOU PUT THE
PAYMENT THROUGH WITH
SCHOOL FEES IT WILL NOT BE
TRANSFERRED TO E-LEVY.**

INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARD LEVY

A levy of R100,00 per child per year is payable for the **maintenance** of interactive whiteboards during the course of 2018.

Please send the money as soon as possible in a clearly marked envelope "**WHITEBOARD LEVY**" and your child's name and hand it in to your child's register teacher. **PLEASE DO NOT DO AN EFT FOR THE WHITEBOARD LEVY.**

ACADEMIC



TERM 2 – CYCLE DAYS:

EXAM WEEK	Mon. 28 May – Thurs. 31 May
3	Monday, 4 June
4	Tuesday, 5 June
5	Wednesday, 6 June
6	Thursday, 7 June
7	Friday, 8 June
1	Monday, 11 June
DAY	DATE
2	Tuesday, 12 June
3	Wednesday, 13 June
4	Thursday, 14 June
5	Friday, 15 June
6	Monday, 18 June
7	Tuesday, 19 June
1	Wednesday, 20 June
2	Thursday, 21 June
	Friday, 22 June
	END OF TERM

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

House Shirts:

There will be no house shirt Fridays in Term 2 as it is too cold. House shirt Fridays will resume in September.

PE UNIFORM:

See advertisement at the end of this newsletter.

SCHEDULE OF EXTRA MURALS PER TERM FOR 2018:

TERM 1: Touch Rugby, Athletics
TERM 2: Soccer; Netball
TERM 3: Hockey; Girls' Soccer; Cricket;
Tennis
TERM 4: Touch Rugby; Mini cricket;
Mini touch

TERMS 1-4:
Senior choir (Feb-Nov) Gr 4 – 7
Junior Choir (Mar – Nov) Gr 2 & 3
Marimba (Feb – Nov) Gr 6 & 7
Chess (Feb – Dec) All chess teams

TERMS 1 – 3:
Drumming (Feb – Sep) Gr 5 – 7
African Dance (Feb – Sep) Gr 4 – 7
Gumboot Squad (Feb – Sep) Gr 4 – 7
Choral Verse (Mar – Sep) Jnr & Snr.
Poetry Eisteddfod (Mar – Sep) All

ALL TERMS:
Golf; Zumba; Tennis

BRACKENHURST ACADEMY OF MUSIC:
See advertisement attached to this newsletter.

GRADE ONE AND TWO ART CLUB:
Grade 1 and 2 Art Club, Thursdays in Mrs Fabel's class, G14, from 14:00 until 15:00.

CHESS:
Coaching and Practices:
Chess practices, should you make the squad, will be held as set out below:

VENUE: Ms du Preez's class – G17

DATES AND TIMES:

Mondays: 14:15-15:00
Mrs Jawahar (Gr3-7)
Tuesdays: 13:45-14:30
Miss Morin (Gr 1-2)
14:30-15:30
Mr Bailie (Gr3-7)
Wednesdays: 13:45-14:30
Miss McAllister (Gr1-2)
Thursdays: 14:15-15:00
Miss Park (Gr3-7)

A learner who wants to participate at National or Provincial level must now belong to a C lub. We are affiliated with the Alberton Chess Club and East Gauteng Junior Chess (Provincial). The Alberton Chess Club meet every second

Friday evening at the Mugg & Bean in the Newmarket Mall from 18:00 to 19:30. For more details contact Mr Bailie – cabailie@me.com

Tournaments:
Brackenhurst Primary will be hosting chess tournaments on the following dates: Saturday, 4 August and Saturday, 29 September 2018.

Colin Mann Primary have a team tournament in June.

East Rand Chess League Premier Division:
See schedule at the end of this newsletter for details.

Chess League:

Seniors (Grade 5 to 7) – 7 players (plus reserves)
Intermediates (Grades 3 and 4) – 5 players (plus reserves)
Juniors (Grade 1 and 2) – 4 players (plus reserves)

The Premier Division will be:
Martin; Kenton; Brackenhurst; School of Achievement/Prestasie Skool; LS Orion (possible) AND/OR; LS Randhart (possibly)

The league will run from 20 April to 1 June and then 27 July to 17 August (5 schools home and away) OR 31 August (6 schools home and away)

We will also be organising a number of friendly matches which will be played on Friday.

For any further details kindly contact our Head Coach and the Chess Organiser, Mr Bailie – cabailie@me.com

Golf:
Golf has begun and takes place every Monday afternoon.

Grade 1 & 2: 13:30 – 14:30
Grade 3 – 7: 14:00 – 15:30

Please ensure that your child attends golf regularly, as there are many children who have paid but are not attending golf lessons.

Zumba:

Zumba dates will be given for the term as soon as they are confirmed.

Grade 1 and 2: 13:30 – 14:15

Grade 3 – 7: 14:15 – 15:00

Tennis:

Free tennis has begun. For more information contact Coach Rudolph on 082 898 7593.

Netball:

Netball has come to an end, only the following teams will continue with practices

u/7: Mon, Wed & Fri. 13:30 – 14:30

u/8: Mon & Wed. 13:30 – 14:30

u/9: Tues & Thurs. 14:30 – 15:30

u/12: Mon & Wed. 14:30 – 16:00

Soccer:

Practice days and times:

u/7: Mon & Wed. 13:30 – 14:30

u/8: Mon & Wed. 13:30 – 14:30

u/9: Mon & Thurs. 14:30 – 15:30

u/10: Tues & Thurs: 14:15 – 15:30

u/11: Mon. 14:15 – 15:00

Tues. 14:00 – 15:00

u/12: Tues & Thurs. 14:30 – 16:00

u/13: Tues & Thurs. 14:30 – 15:30

u/14: Tues & Thurs. 14:30 – 15:30

The soccer boys will be playing in their Red PE shirts for the matches. Please ensure that your child has a red PE shirt for matches. PE shirts are available from the Sports Office.

Fixtures for the term are as follows:

TBC vs Glenview Primary: u/9-u/14

TBC vs Alberton Primary: u/9 – u/14

6 June vs Covenant College: u/9-u/13

u/7 and u/8 soccer match:

8 June.

Results against Kenton Primary:

u/9 Lost 2 – 1

u/10 Lost 3 – 1

u/11 Lost 6 – 2

u/12 Lost 4 – 0

u/13 Lost 3 – 2

u/14 Lost 7 – 1

Netball and Soccer tournament days are as follows:

9 June – u/7 & u/8 @ Alberview Primary

Good luck to the u/9s for their tournament at Kenton Primary this weekend.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Term 2 collection:**Coins:**

Wow! Thank you for the great response! We raised R2955,00 for the CHOC Foundation for childhood cancer. For a school of 1500 learners, that's R2 per child. We would like to set a bigger goal this term.. if each child brought R1 per week, ie. R10 per term, we could donate a very substantial R15 000,00 to TLC Home for abandoned babies. We can do this! Please send coins or notes to your child's class teacher. Thank you SO much in advance, Ms Pheiffer and Mr Lawrenz.

Matthew Downs Blanket Drive 2018:

In 2017 we completed our first "Matthew Downs Blanket

Drive" and collected in excess of 350 blankets and lots of warm clothes! It was SO rewarding to be able to help those in need of warmth.



This year we would like to collect for the following charities:

L.O.T.S. (Life on the Streets Ministry) – blankets, good second hand men's shoes, socks and warm clothes.

Queenshaven – blankets

Epworth Children's Village – Blankets

Christways Religious Centre – Blankets

We would welcome good second-hand clothes and shoes that are suitable for winter. If you are

donating blankets, the PEP grey blankets are particularly preferred because apparently the fancy blankets get stolen on the streets. The other more colourful ones will be donated to the children and the aged.

Thanking you in advance for your continued outpouring of generosity.

Hidden Treasures Charity Shop:

Any parents or learners who would like to volunteer on Saturday mornings or in the holidays at the Charity Shop, please chat to Ms Pheiffer. Thank you for the massive amount of donations. All money made on items sold goes towards supporting 270 orphans. Please send any second-hand toys, clothes, bedding, appliances, ornaments, etc. to Ms Budde.

GENERAL

'Help-U' Advertiser:

The 'Help-U' advertiser is published once a month at the end of the month. The cost of an ad is R50,00 per month. Adverts must be business card size. If you want to advertise in the 'Help-U' Advertiser, please forward details together with the money to Lynn Voordecker at the school office. No pictures – just wording.

The "Help-U" Advertiser for May is attached to this newsletter.

PARENTS' CORNER

5 things every guilty parent needs to know

Stop beating yourself up, nobody's perfect – not you, and not your kids. Parental guilt is not only normal, it's okay. Here are ways to cope.

It's the guilty secret many parents are reluctant to admit aloud: no matter how much you love your kids, being a parent can make you feel bad.

But Google knows you're not alone. Look up the phrase guilty parent and you'll get more than 70 million results.

So what exactly do we know about the causes of parental guilt?

And how can you turn feeling bad into a change for the better?

Five tips for parental guilt

1. Remember parental guilt is normal

The next time you're feeling like the worst parent in the world, remember: every parent feels like that at times. Sometimes, simply reminding yourself of that can be enough to get you through the day.

2. Let go of perfection

Having realistic expectations of yourself and your children can make a big difference. At the end of a long day, dealing with a toddler who refuses to go to bed will never be easy. Be realistic about your capacity to solve every problem effortlessly and without stress. It's not always possible.

Nobody's perfect. Not you, and not your kids. And that's OK.

3. Channel your thoughts and feelings into action

Guilt can weigh you down and hold you back – or it can be the start of a change for the better.

While guilt can be harmful, it's also associated with positive traits, such as being more empathetic. Let the knowledge that guilt is linked to a desire to do something differently motivate you to change what's making you feel guilty.

4. Seek out reliable, evidence-informed parenting advice

Look for programmes that have evidence of their effectiveness, including evidence of scientific success in actually resolving the issue at hand. And consider what form of help suits you best: are you looking for resources online, in a group setting or one-on-one in person?

5. **Create a network of encouragement with other parents**

You can build your own network of encouragement with other parents. Share your stories – not just the highs, but also the lows.

The goal is to create a connected group of people who prompt one another to share ideas and access evidence-informed information.

And whenever you need to, go back to tip 1: remind yourself and your friends that feeling guilty is a normal part of being a parent.

Article from: www.parent24.com



And finally

Q: In a one-storey pink house, there was a pink person, a pink cat, a pink fish, a pink computer, a pink chair, a pink table, a pink telephone, a pink shower – everything was pink! What colour were the stairs?

A: There weren't any stairs, it was a one-storey house!

Regards



ANNE BURGER

Help-U Advertiser

May 2018



SCHOOL MADE EASY STUDY CENTRE

Making your child's schooling easier in every way.

Gr 1-12: Small groups; Homework supervision; Extra lessons (All subjects); Internet facility; Exam Workshops; Special study sessions; English Language Classes. Adult Literacy Classes.

NOW ALSO OFFERING: Saturday fun reading lessons (English and Afrikaans) ALL GRADES Saturday, extra lessons (individual tuition)

Brackendowns area. Transport can be arranged
Contact Sammonique: 083 776 8322

KINGDOM KIDS

Creche, Day Care, After Care,
Grade R

9 Cedarberg Street
Albertsdal Ext 6
Alberton

Contact: Natasha/Riaan
0726542889; 0716847879



NURSERY SCHOOL
BABIES TO GRADE R
AFTER CARE CENTRE
GR 1 TO GR 7

AFFORDABLE QUALITY CARE

22 Mc Bride, Cnr. 3 AG Visser
Brackenhurst

Email: edustart@telkomsa.net

Tel. (011) 867 2080 / 7590

Maria: 072 08 48 528

UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

PE UNIFORM



PE SHIRTS	R140	(RED)
SHORTS	R120	
TRACKSUITS	R360 - 380	
HATS	R50	
BEANIES	R60	
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ON SALE AT THE SPORTS OFFICE. ON SALE EVERY

Wednesday morning 7h00 - 7h30

LEARNERS: ARE WELCOME TO BUY ANYTIME DURING THE SCHOOL DAY (BREAKS)

***TRACKSUITS NOW
AVAILABLE!***

NO WAITING PERIOD... tracksuits are available from the sports office size 20 - 30 R360 - size 32 - 38 R380.

Tuckshop Menu April-June

Toasted sandwiches		Breakfast Only	
Cheese	R 12,00	Toast & Jam	R 6,00
Cheese & Tomato	R 14,00	Toast Jam & Cheese	R 12,00
Ham & Cheese	R 17,00	Toasted Bacon Egg & Cheese	R 20,00
Ham Cheese & Tomato	R 18,00	Hot Cross Buns with Butter	R 5,00
Bacon & Cheese	R 18,00	Daily	
Chicken Mayo & Bacon	R 20,00	Hotdog	R 12,00
Chicken Mayo & Cheese	R 20,00	Cheese Griller Dog	R 15,00
Chicken Mayo	R 18,00	Soup & Buttered Bread	R 10,00
Bacon Cheese Onion & BBQ	R 20,00		
Toasted Sandwiches can be ordered any time before school after school and during both breaks.		2nd Break only	
		Russian & Chips	R 25,00
Wraps		Slap Chips	R 15,00
Chicken Wrap	R 24,00		
Chicken & Feta Wrap	R 26,00	Snacks - All Day	
Salad Wrap	R 16,00	Muffins	R 9,00
		Xlarge biscuits	R 9,00
Salads		Yogurt	R 5,00
Chicken & Feta	R 26,00	Biltong Wheels	R 9,00
Basic Salad	R 16,00	Biltong Sticks	R 5,00
Weekly Menu			
Monday		Toasted Cheese	R 12,00
Tuesday		Cheese Griller Dog	R 15,00
Wednesday		Toasted Chicken Mayo	R 15,00
Thursday		Hotdog	R 12,00
Friday		Pies (Pepper Steak, Chicken, Steak & Kidney, Cornish)	R 16,00
Friday Combo Deal : Pie + Small Kingsley + packet of sweets R30.00			

East Rand Chess League Premier Division

Round 1

20 APRIL 2018

HOME			AWAY	
SNo.	Name	Res.	Name	SNo.
1	Kenton Primary School	-	School of Achievement	4
2	Laerskool Orion	-	Brackenhurst Primary School	3

Round 2

4 MAY 2018

SNo.	Name	Res.	Name	SNo.
4	School of Achievement	-	Brackenhurst Primary School	3
1	Kenton Primary School	-	Laerskool Orion	2

Round 3

11 MAY 2018

SNo.	Name	Res.	Name	SNo.
2	Laerskool Orion	-	School of Achievement	4
3	Brackenhurst Primary School	-	Kenton Primary School	1

Round 4

18 MAY 2018

SNo.	Name	Res.	Name	SNo.
4	School of Achievement	-	Kenton Primary School	1
3	Brackenhurst Primary School	-	Laerskool Orion	2

Round 5

25 MAY 2018

SNo.	Name	Res.	Name	SNo.
3	Brackenhurst Primary School	-	School of Achievement	4
2	Laerskool Orion	-	Kenton Primary School	1

Round 6

1 JUNE 2018

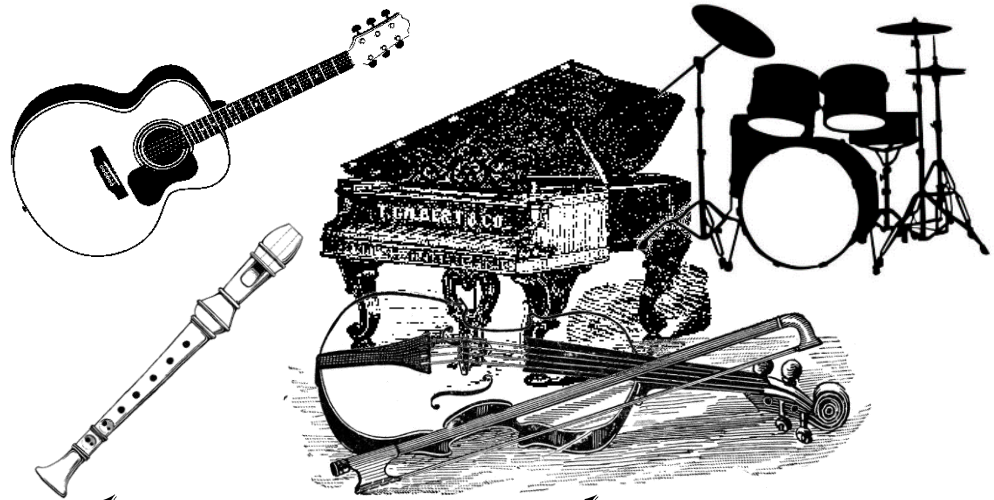
SNo.	Name	Res.	Name	SNo.
4	School of Achievement	-	Laerskool Orion	2
1	Kenton Primary School	-	Brackenhurst Primary School	3



BRACKENHURST ACADEMY OF MUSIC



The family to be a part of



**IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE TO PLAY AN
INSTRUMENT: INDIVIDUAL TUITION IS OFFERED IN**

DRUM-KIT

DOUBLE BASS

VOICE (SINGING)

CELLO

KEYBOARD & PIANO

GUITAR & ELECTRIC GUITAR

VIOLIN

RECORDER (BLOKFLUIT)

Lessons are composed as follows:

30 minute lessons (recommended for children under 10 years and student beginners)

45 minute lessons (recommended for 10 – 14 year olds) i.e. School grades 4 - 7

60 minute lessons (recommended for 15 years and older) i.e. High School & adults

Lesson Fees per term (payable in advance **directly to the tutor**)

30 minutes a week **9 lessons** = R1240 per term (or R140/lesson)

45 minutes a week **9 lessons** = R1850 per term (or R205/lesson)

60 minutes a week **9 lessons** = R2480 per term (or R275/lesson)

Please contact Ms M Coetzee for fees and the enrolment form or kindly visit the Music room.

Email: mynettec@brackenprim.co.za



