



Brackenhurst Primary School

Newsletter 19/2018
8 June 2018



Dear Parents

Quote for the Week:

BE STRONG
WHEN YOU ARE WEAK,
BRAVE
WHEN YOU ARE SCARED,
AND HUMBLE
WHEN YOU ARE
VICTORIOUS

CHOCOLATE RAFFLE 2018

By now you should all have received a letter setting out the details of our **CHOCOLATE RAFFLE FUNDRAISER**.

We are asking for donations of packets of sweets or chocolates (minimum 40g) – there is no maximum! These are to be handed in to your child's register teacher. The deadline for chocolates to be brought is **Friday 15 June 2018**.

Three hampers will be made Gold, Silver and Bronze. Raffle tickets for these hampers are now on sale from your child's register teacher. The cost is R5,00. The last day for raffle tickets to be bought will be **Tuesday, 19 June 2018** and the draw will take place on **Wednesday, 20 June 2018**.

Thank you to those parents who have already made a donation to our Chocolate Raffle.

SCHOOL SCARVES



Brackenhurst Primary Hand Woven

Winter Scarves

Available now at R100 each. To order, please

email knittingknot@gmail.com or send an sms

to 082 774 7173.

SCHOOL TERMS 2019

For your information, the following are the proposed school terms for 2019:

Term 1:	9 January – 15 March
Term 2:	2 April – 14 June
Term 3:	9 July – 20 September
Term 4:	1 October – 4 December

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.

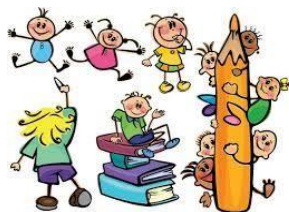
IT MUST BE A SEPARATE PAYMENT. IF YOU PUT THE PAYMENT THROUGH WITH SCHOOL FEES IT WILL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO E-LEVY.

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:

DAY	DATE
1	Monday, 11 June
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 Club. 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.

Chess Results:

Well done to our learners who participated in the Primrose Chess Club tournament hosted at Sunnyridge Primary School.

Section C:

Ethan Lake came 4th

Nimai Singh came 5th

Section D:

Calum Botha came 1st winning all his games

Ty Arthur came 2nd

Jarred Deans came 4th

Shea Bailie came 7th

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/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

Results vs Covenant College:

u/9 Lost 3 – 0

u/11 Lost 4 – 0

u/13 won 6 - 0

Netball and Soccer tournament days are as follows:

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

Good luck to the u/97s and u/8s for their tournament at Alberview 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.

PARENTS' CORNER

KIDNAPPING PREVENTION – 8 TIPS THAT COULD KEEP YOUR CHID SAFE

According to Missing Children South Africa, a child goes missing every five hours in our country.



One minute your child is there, the next minute they're gone.

It is a frightening reality and every parent's nightmare, but a prevailing issue in South Africa.

It's a chilling statistic – and it should serve as a warning to every parent to take preventative steps to help ensure their child remains safe.

"The last thing you want to do is instil a sense of fear in your child but a healthy awareness of the dangers of the world could end up saving their lives," says Casey Rossesau, 1st for Women Insurance's spokesperson. "When it comes to kidnapping, the more knowledge both the parent and the child have, the better their chances of identifying kidnappers and preventing the unthinkable from happening."

Here are some tips to keep you on your guard:

1. **Keep the lines of communication open** between you and your children. They should know your cell phone number and home number.
2. **Don't take anything from strangers.** It's quite a common saying but not enough of an implemented rule. If a stranger offers anything to your kids, they should check with you first. In your absence, it's best they don't accept it at all.
3. **Keep friends close.** If your child is going to a place they've never been to before or aren't that well familiar with, it's advisable they take a trusted friend along.
4. **Decline the odd job offer.** Kids aren't likely to receive job offers, so consider it strange if your child does. Tell them to always turn them down – even if it's simply a request for assistance with something.
5. **Tell them they can trust you.** The best relationship between a parent and their child is when they trust you enough to share anything with you that makes them feel uncomfortable.
6. **Make them understand you're not deliberately spying.** If your child is still young and vulnerable, it could be a good idea to monitor their time spent online – that's where the predators usually lurk. Just make it clear it's not an excuse for you to snoop through their private messages or interactions.
7. **Speed and noise are key.** If someone is chasing your child or forcing them into a car, the best reaction is to scream and make a dash for it – provided the attacker doesn't have a dangerous weapon.
8. **Establish a plan of action.** In the event your child gets lost in a busy public space,

they'll know what to do or where to meet
you.

Article from: www.parent24.com

And finally

Q: What do you do if your dog chews a dictionary?

A: Take the words out of his mouth.

Q: Why do fish live in salt water?

A: Because pepper makes them sneeze.

Regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anne Burger".

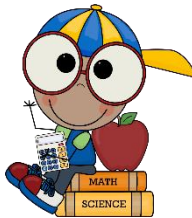
ANNE BURGER

UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

PE UNIFORM



PE SHIRTS R140	(RED)
SHORTS	R120
TRACKSUITS	R360 - 380
HATS	R50
BEANIES	R60
BPS SPOR T I NG KIT	



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



