



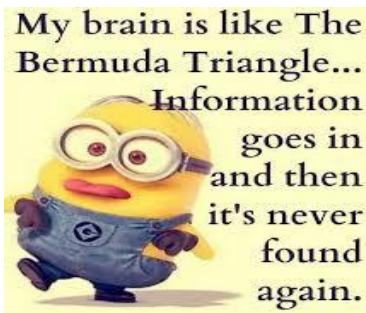
# Brackenhurst Primary School

Newsletter 31/2018  
26 October 2018



Dear Parents

## Quote for the Week:



### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

A reminder of the Annual General Meeting which will take place on **WEDNESDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2018 at 19:00** in the school hall.

Please make every effort to attend as the fees for 2019 will be decided.

The Agenda is attached to this newsletter.

### **CIVVIES DAY – 16 NOVEMBER**

As we will be making up Christmas hampers for our groundstaff and selected charities, we are requesting donations of the following items:

**Grade 1:** Pasta, rice, canned foods, eg. Baked beans, bully beef, tinned fish, tinned fruit, etc.

**Grade 2:** Sugar, flour, maize meal.

**Grade 3 & Spec. Ed.:** Tea, coffee, biscuits, soups.

**Grade 4:** Long-life milk, powdered milk, cooking oil, canned foods.

**Grade 5:** Condiments – salt, pepper, sauces, 2 minute noodles.

**Grade 6:** Jam. Peanut butter, Bovril, sandwich spread. (No butter or margarine)

**Grade 7:** Biscuits, cordials, eg. Oros.

We also welcome any pre-packed grocery hampers.

Please don't bring open goods or anything perishable.

Items to be handed to the register teachers.

### **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

#### **School/Public Holidays:**

16 December – Day of Reconciliation

17 December – Public Holiday

25 December – Christmas Day

26 December – Day of Goodwill

### **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](http://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](http://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](http://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

### **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.

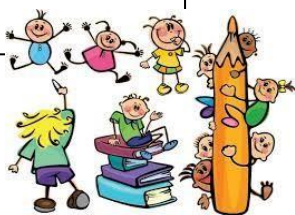
**IMPORTANT NOTICE:  
IF YOU PAY THE R350,00  
(INTERSEN PHASE) OR R200,00  
(FOUNDATION PHASE) VIA EFT,  
REFERENCE TO BE USED IS YOUR  
CHILD'S NAME AND E-LEVY. DO  
NOT PAY THIS AMOUNT WITH  
YOUR SCHOOL FEES.  
IT MUST BE A SEPARATE  
PAYMENT. IF YOU PUT THE  
PAYMENT THROUGH WITH  
SCHOOL FEES IT 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 4: DAY

### DATE

3	Monday, 29 October
4	Tuesday, 30 October
5	Wednesday, 31 October
6	Thursday, 1 November
7	Friday, 2 November
1	Monday, 5 November
2	Tuesday, 6 November
3	Wednesday, 7 November
4	Thursday, 8 November
5	Friday, 9 November
6	Monday, 12 November

**PLEASE NOTE: ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER IS THE REVISED EXAM TIMETABLE**

## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

### House Shirts:

Learners may wear their House Shirts on Fridays from Friday, 7 September.

Please contact Alice Lombard on 083 397 5705 for any orders/queries regarding house T-shirts.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Only the house T-shirt may be worn on Fridays. NO OTHER SHIRTS WILL BE ALLOWED.

The division for the houses is according to the month in which you were born:

MARS (Red): January, February, March, April

JUPITER (Yellow): May, June, July, August

VENUE (Blue): September, October, November, December

### PE UNIFORM:

See advertisement at the end of this newsletter.

### HONOURS:

Any outside extra-curricular awards achieved will be considered for colours through our

colours/honours committee. Please note we need an official letter stating the achievement or a certificate to be handed in to the sports office. If we do not have these we cannot consider your child's achievements for honours.

**2 NOVEMBER IS THE FINAL CUT OFF FOR ALL OUTSIDE EXTRA MURALS INFORMATION**

### 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

### 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](mailto:cabailie@me.com)

### **Golf:**

Golf has begun and takes place every Monday.  
Grade 1 & 2: 13:30 – 14:30  
Grade 3 – 7: 14:30 – 15:30

### **Zumba:**

Zumba has begun and takes place every Monday:  
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.

### **Touch Rugby:**

Touch rugby will continue as normal:

1<sup>st</sup> team girls: Tuesdays & Thursdays 14:30 – 16:00

2<sup>nd</sup> team girls: Tuesdays & Thursdays 14:30 – 16:00

1<sup>st</sup> team boys: Thursdays 14:30 – 16:00

2<sup>nd</sup> team boys: Mondays & Wednesdays 14:30 – 16:00

Grade 5 girls: Tuesdays & Thursdays 14:30 – 16:00

Grade 5 boys: Tuesdays & Thursdays 14:30 – 15:30

Grade 4 girls: Mondays & Wednesdays 14:30 – 15:30

Grade 4 boys: Tuesdays & Thursdays 14:30 – 15:30

Results of matches played on 19 October:

1<sup>st</sup> team girls: Won 5 - 0

2<sup>nd</sup> team girls: Lost 2 - 0

1<sup>st</sup> team boys: Lost 5 - 4

2<sup>nd</sup> team boys: Lost 1 – 0

Results of matches played on 23 October:

u/13 boys: Drew 2 – 2

u/12 boys: Won 6 – 0

Won 2 – 1

u/11 boys: Drew 1 – 1

Won 2 – 1

u/10 boys: Drew 1 – 1

Won 2 – 1

u/13 girls: Won 2 – 0

Won 5 – 0

u/12 girls: Won 3 – 0

Lost 1 – 0

u/11 girls: Lost 1 – 0

u/10 girls: Lost 1 – 0

### **Mini Cricket:**

Practice times:

Grade 1s – Mondays & Wednesdays 13:30-14:30

Grade 2s – Tuesdays & Thursdays 13:30-14:30

Grade 3s – Mondays & Wednesdays 14:00-15:00

### **Athletics:**

Athletics season has begun. All learners who received letters are to be at the practices. It is compulsory to attend the practices as we are preparing for the Interschools Athletics which will take place early next year.

### **Sprints:**

Grade 1 and 2: Tuesdays and Thursdays 13:30-14:30

Grade 3-7: Tuesdays and Thursdays 14:30-15:00

### **Long Distance:**

Grade 3 – 7: Tuesdays and Thursdays 14:15-15:15

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

### Term 4 collection:

#### Coins:

This term we will be collecting for an orphanage (to be announced). Please could each child try to bring R10 this term or R1 a week and give it to the class piggy bank. MAKE A CHANGE – WITH YOUR CHANGE!

#### Aladdin & Jasmine Ornament/Sweet Hamper

Mrs Welthagen (Trennon Grade 6) has donated a stunning hamper to raffle to raise funds for our Term 4 orphanage. Please support us by buying raffle tickets at R5 each. Thanks Mrs Welthagen for your giving heart.

#### Bottletops for Wheelchairs:

Thank you to Miss Coetzee's church for donating 100kg of tops and to Riverside Community church for donating every week. Thank you to Brackenhurst Primary for your continued support. We have our next 450kg for another wheelchair which we will be donating to the Spina Bifida Association (South Africa). Thank you to all who give to this amazing charity outreach.

#### Old Age Home Christmas Visit:

The community group will be visiting Alberton Tuiste vir Bejaardes to spread Christmas joy and the gospel. We would like to make up a little pack for each resident. Would anyone like to make up a shoebox, cover in wrapping paper and put the following inside:

A chocolate; A magazine (even if read or old); 1 packet of biscuits; A small pack of tissues; Some jelly sweets or marshmallows.

We are thinking of optional extras, but rather, if you can and would like to, make up more than 1 shoebox with those 5 items. We need 110 by 22 November.

If you would like to make up a shoebox, please send a note with your child's name, grade and number of shoeboxes, to Ms Pheiffer.

#### SPCA:

Please send pet food, blankets and newspapers to Mrs Bombardella (C27).

## 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. If you want to advertise in the 'Help-U' Advertiser, please forward details together with the money to Lynn Voordecker at the school office.

## PARENTS CORNER

### ***SA AND THE RISE OF CHILD RELATED TRAFFICKING, MURDER, RAPE***

As South Africa continues reeling after the blatant, daylight rape of a six-year-old victim in a Dross bathroom, the question arises: are instances of child trafficking, rape and murder on the rise across the country? While much focus has been placed on suspected human and child trafficking carrying people across the border, experts believe murder and crimes of a sexual nature pose a far more imminent threat.

Parents are hard pressed to raise their children with confidence and strength, while also attempting to keep them safe from the many risks that abound in Africa. The key is to maintain accurate information about where children are, who they're with and the level of security at their schools or daycare centres.

Maintaining your child's safety involves total vigilance and embracing the spirit of Ubuntu. Use technology to your benefit, using cellphone tracking apps or GPS watches. Remaining aware of your children's whereabouts is an absolute requirement.

Avoid situations and people that make you feel uncomfortable – you may be wrong, but if you're right and you ignore your suspicions the results could be devastating.

The undeniably terrifying truth is that it simply isn't possible to hold your child's hand every minute of every day. Although, as parents, we wish this were possible, it doesn't lead to much of a life for ever more independent children.

The best way to maintain their safety is to: teach them to be savvy and street-wise, prepare them for how to respond in a threatening situation and avoid unnecessary risks. At the very least don't trust Uber as a transport service for children on their own, vet the security measures present at your child's school, ensure you know your children's friend's parents before allowing unsupervised playdates or sleepovers, and don't send them on solo errands without adult supervision.

*Article from TAME Times,  
16 October 2018*



And finally



**SIMPLE MATHS:**

Teacher: If you have R20 in one pants pocket and R50 in the other, what do you have?

Little Johnny: Someone else's pants!

Regards

A BURGER

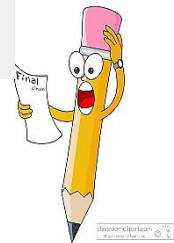
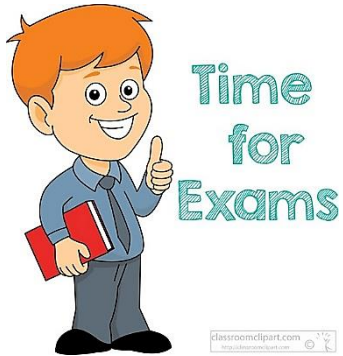


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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
TO BE HELD IN THE SCHOOL HALL  
ON WEDNESDAY 31 OCTOBER 2018  
AT 19H00**

## **A G E N D A**

1. WELCOME
2. APOLOGIES
3. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
4. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT
5. FINANCIAL REPORT
6. PASSING OF RESOLUTIONS INCLUDING:  
SCHOOL FEES: 2019
7. STRATEGY
8. GENERAL



## **NOVEMBER 2018 EXAM TIME TABLE**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>SESSION 1 (08:00 – 10:15)</b>	<b>SESSION 2 (10:45 – 13:00)</b>
TUESDAY	13/11/2018	ENGLISH (4-7)	STUDY
WEDNESDAY	14/11/2018	NS/TECH (4-6) NS (7)	STUDY
THURSDAY	15/11/2018	MATHEMATICS (4-7)	STUDY
FRIDAY	16/11/2018	GEOGRAPHY (4-7)	EMS (7)
MONDAY	19/11/2018	AFRIKAANS (4-7)	TECHNOLOGY (7)
TUESDAY	20/11/2018	HISTORY (4-7)	CA (4-6)
WEDNESDAY	21/11/2018	LS (4-6) LO (7)	ACTIVITY



# UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

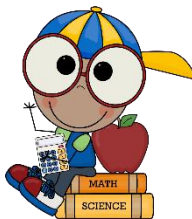
## PE UNIFORM



PE SHIRTS R140 (RED)  
SHORTS R120  
TRACKSUITS R360 - 380  
HATS R50  
BEANIES R60  
BPS SPORTING 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

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	<b>Every Day</b>	
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	Pies	R 16,00
Biltong & Cheese <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold; border: 1px solid red; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">NEW</span>	R 20,00		
Bacon Cheese Onion & BBQ	R 20,00	<b>2nd Break only</b>	
<b>Wraps</b>		Russian & Chips	R 25,00
Chicken Wrap	R 24,00	Slap Chips	R 15,00
Chicken & Feta Wrap	R 26,00	<b>Snacks - All Day</b>	
Salad Wrap <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold; border: 1px solid red; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">NEW</span>	R 16,00	Muffins	R 9,00
Biltong & Feta Wrap	R 28,00	Xlarge biscuits	R 9,00
<b>Salads</b>		Yogurt	R 5,00
Chicken & Feta	R 26,00	Biltong Wheels	R 9,00
Basic Salad <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold; border: 1px solid red; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">NEW</span>	R 16,00	Biltong Sticks	R 5,00
Biltong & Feta	R 28,00		
<b>Weekly Menu - Lunch of the Day</b>			
<b>Monday</b>		Toasted Cheese	R 12,00
<b>Tuesday</b>		Cheese Griller Dog	R 12,00
<b>Wednesday</b>		Moyo Sausage Roll	R 8,00
<b>Thursday</b>		Hotdog	R 12,00
<b>Friday</b>		Pies (Pepper Steak, Chicken, Steak & Kidney, Cornish, Sausage)	R 16,00
<b>Friday Combo Deal : Pie + Small Kingsley + packet of sweets R30.00</b>			



## Cobras Shotokan Karate Club



AFFILIATED TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN SHOTOKAN KARATE ACADEMY

&

THE WORLD UNITED KARATE FEDERATION

Karate instructor Sensei Laurent Gaston Bellegarde is a qualified 6<sup>th</sup> Dan instructor, registered with the Shotokan International Shotokan ryu Karate Organisation

Sensei Laurent has witnessed in the past 23 years of teaching Karate, the following result in the students training the art of Karate.

Improved balance and co-ordination, self-discipline, self-motivation, increase in achievement, self-confidence, respect to other and assertiveness

Sensei Laurent gives lesson at the Brackenhurst Primary school hall

Training days Monday Beginner class time 15h.00 to 16h.00

Wednesdays advance class time 15h.00 to 16h.00

Duration 1 hour per week

Fees R300 per month

First class will be free of charge for new students whom would like to try out. This will only be allowed with parent consent.

Contact details

Sensei Laurent 082 494 2704

Email : brackencobras @absamail .co.za

Website : WWW. alberton karate



**BRACKENHURST PRIMARY  
HOODED DRIMACS FOR SALE**

**5/6 YEARS TO 9/10 YEARS @ R160**

**11/12 TO SMALL @ R180**

CONTACT RAKESH ON 0842681828  
ADDRESS: 31 ANDRIES ROAD, BRACKENDOWNS