



# Brackenhurst Primary School

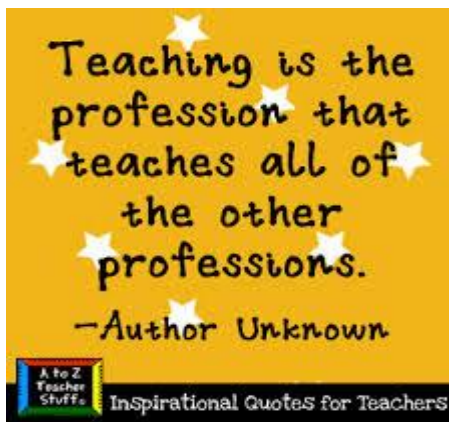
Newsletter 33/2018

9 November 2018



Dear Parents

Quote for the Week:



## SCHOOL FEES 2019

At the Annual General Meeting held on 31 October 2019, the school fees for 2019 were agreed upon as follows:

**School fees 2019 = R13 882,00**

**School fees are payable as follows:**

**OPTION A: R11 800,00 (payable by 31 March 2019 – (15% discount)**

**OPTION B: (Debit Order) 11 equal monthly payments – R1 262,00 per month, 1 February – 1 December 2019**

**OPTION C: Electronic transfer. Payment of R1 262,00 per month. Copy of proof of any payment by electronic transfer must be submitted to the bursar, Mrs Linda Joubert.**

## SCHOOL CLOSING EARLY

Please note that school will close at 13:00 from 13 November 2018 (start of the exams) to the 10 December 2018 and will close at 10:00 on both 11 and 12 December 2018.

Reports will be issued on 11 December 2018.

**CHILDREN MUST BE AT SCHOOL TO COLLECT THEIR REPORTS. NO REPORTS WILL BE HANDED OUT TO ANYONE OTHER THAN THE CHILD.**

## 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.

Learners bringing items for the hampers will be allowed to wear civvies on 16 November 2016.

## 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/mewsletter-archive](http://www.brackenprim.co.za/mewsletter-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

At the Annual General Meeting held on 31 October 2018, a resolution was passed regarding the E-Learning levies. The levies for 2019 are as follows:

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 R250,00 per child for learners Grade 1 – 3 should be paid before end January 2019. This will cover the cost of the trolley solution with tablets we have purchased for our Foundation Phase learners.

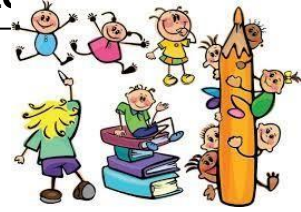
**IMPORTANT NOTICE:**  
**IF YOU PAY THE R350,00 (INTERSEN PHASE) OR R250,00 (FOUNDATION PHASE) VIA EFT, REFERENCE TO BE USED IS YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND E-LEVY. DO NOT PAY THIS AMOUNT WITH YOUR SCHOOL FEES. IT MUST BE A SEPARATE PAYMENT. IF YOU PUT THE PAYMENT THROUGH WITH SCHOOL FEES IT WILL NOT BE TRANSFERRED 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

6

Monday, 12 November

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

**PLEASE ALSO NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:**

**Creative Arts – 20 November, Grades 4 – 7 (2<sup>nd</sup> Session)**

**Maths, Paper 2 – 16 November: Grade 6 (2<sup>nd</sup> Session)**

**THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PUT ONTO DOJO.**

## 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.

### 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

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

**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 – [cbailie@me.com](mailto:cbailie@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:

**Tennis:**

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

**Touch Rugby:**

Touch rugby has come to an end.

Congratulations to all the learners that took part in the league.

High school league results:

1<sup>st</sup> team girls: Won the division (1<sup>st</sup> place)

2<sup>nd</sup> team girls: Came 4<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> team boys: came 2<sup>nd</sup>

2<sup>nd</sup> team boys: came 6<sup>th</sup>

Primary school League results:

u/13 girls: Won the division (1<sup>st</sup> place)

u/12 girls: 3<sup>rd</sup> place

u/11 girls: 2<sup>nd</sup> place

u/10 girls: 2<sup>nd</sup> place

u/13 boys: Won the division (1<sup>st</sup> place)

u/12 boys: Won the division (1<sup>st</sup> place)

u/11 boys: Came 3<sup>rd</sup>

u/10 boys: came 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Mini Cricket:**

Mini cricket has come to an end, the short season has been a very enjoyable experience for the learners that were a part of the mini cricket teams. Well done to all the learners who participated.

Results of matches played on 31 October:

Grade 1A: Won

Grade 2A: Won

Grade 2B: Lost

Grade 3A: Won

Grade 3B: Lost

Grade 3C: Lost

### **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.

There will be NO athletics practices during the exams, practices will continue after the exams.

### **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

### **All sports:**

All sports for this year have come to an end. Congratulations to all the learners who took part in the various sports. The only sport that will continue after exams is ATHLETICS, as we are preparing for Interschools next year.

## **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.

#### **Hidden Treasures:**

Please hand any of the following items to Ms Pheiffer.

All new or second-hand items, eg. Books, toys, linen, bedding, clothes, gadgets, baby products, hangers, ornaments, cds, dvds – absolutely anything not dirty or broken.

### **Bottle-tops 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**

***"Play with me, not your cellphones!"***

***A 7-year-old 'organised' a march against parents on smartphones.***

*"We are here, we are raising our voices because you're always staring at your phones!" 7-year-old Emil Rustige was so tired of competing with his*

*father's smartphone for attention that the little boy decided a protest was in order.*

Kids in the German city of Hamburg took to the streets to demand that their parents put down their phones.

*"Play with me, not your cell phones!"*

*"Now it's our turn, switch on flight mode!"*

Just two of the slogans that rang loud and clear at one of the most unique protests you'll probably ever hear about.

This September, parents and children took to the streets of Hamburg, Germany, in protest of what most regards as another limb: smartphones.

It was put into motion by a 7-year-old child, Emil Rustige, who had had just about enough of being ignored in the name of a digital device.

"Emil is blaming me for using my phone. The moment he is around and communicating with me I am absent and doing something totally different," explained Martin Rustige, Emil's father who assisted his son with organising the legal protest after the boy told his father how ignored he felt.

Witnessing his aunt in political action months earlier had inspired Emil to try his hand at putting together a march of his own, and with the help of his parents, promoted the protest online.

The family quickly found supporters, with just over 400 people expressing interest in joining the march online, and 150 parents and children attending on the day, placards and all.

"We are here, we are raising our voices because you're always staring at your phones!"

"I hope that after the demonstration people will spend less time on their phones," announced the little revolutionary over speakerphone.

Given what we know about how detrimental the overuse of smartphones are, the little boy has hit the nail right on the head.

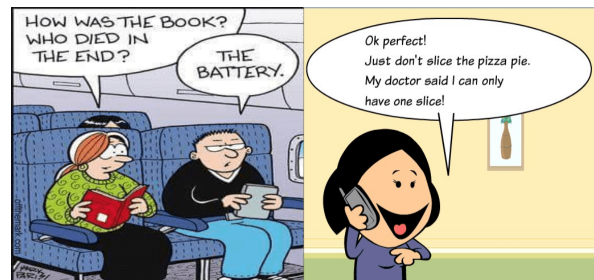
Ever had an accident while distracted by your smartphone? Ever realised your child is trying to open up to you but you're too engrossed to listen?

Spend time with your children, after all, they are more precious than smart phones.

*Article from Parent24*



And finally

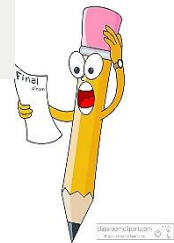
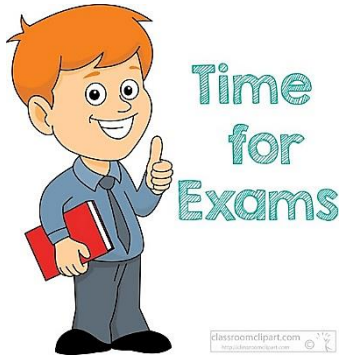


Regards

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## **NOVEMBER 2018 EXAM TIME TABLE**

| <b>DAY</b> | <b>DATE</b> | <b>SESSION 1<br/>(08:00 – 10:15)</b> | <b>SESSION 2<br/>(10:45 – 13:00)</b> |
|------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| TUESDAY    | 13/11/2018  | ENGLISH (4-7)                        | STUDY                                |
| WEDNESDAY  | 14/11/2018  | NS/TECH (4-6)<br>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)<br>LO (7)                   | ACTIVITY                             |

# UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

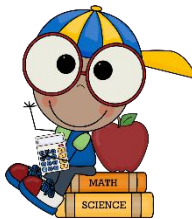
## PE UNIFORM



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.*

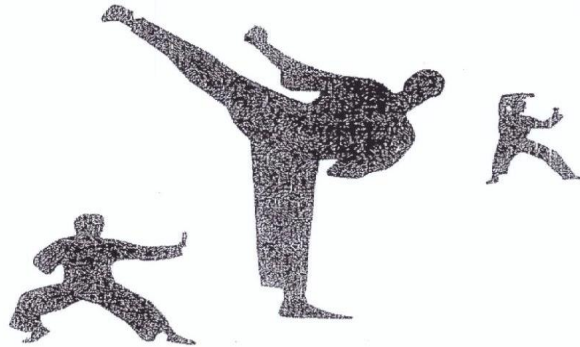


## Tuckshop Menu

| 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



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