



Brackenhurst Primary School



Newsletter 25/2019
19 August 2019

Dear Parents,

Quote for the Week:



DISCIPLINE

It has become quite a norm for children to lash out at others for no real reasons. Please speak to your child about their behaviour at school with their peers and teachers. If we all work together in the best interest of your child, then he/she can become the best possibility of themselves.

As parents also please check your children's diaries and electronic devices on a regular basis. This will help you gain a better understanding of your child's work ethic and behaviour at school. Thanking you for your co-operation with discipline.

SCHOOL TIMES

Please note that with cycle tests school times stay as normal:

Grade 1 – 2: 07:50 – 13:30 every day

Grade 3 – 7: 07:50 – 14:00 every day

EISTEDDFOD

Parents please take note of the following! Refrain from phoning the school's office to query about your child's participation in the Alberton Eisteddfod. The Eisteddfod is not run by the school, we merely use the school's premises for hosting it. Learners received their slip from their register teacher last term. The date, time, number and venue appears on the slip that your child received. The letter that went out in Term 1 also specified that you are liable to transport your child to and from the venue. Entrance fee per person watching is R10, payable at the venues.

MY SCHOOL CARD



Dear Parents and Staff of Brackenhurst Primary School,

Everyone needs a little "mahala" in their life! That's why we're giving you a **break on card cost fees**, so you can get even more supporters, at no cost to you.

From **15 August to 15 September 2019** we'll waive the card costs, so during this period each sign up for a MySchool MyVillage MyPlanet card is for free, mahala, zero!

That's right...We're making sign-ups easy. All you need to do is **SMS** the word "**JOIN**" and your Organisation name to **31231** e.g. *Join Brackenhurst Primary School* and we will call you to complete the sign up. **(SMS is free)**

T&Cs apply.

MATTHEW DOWNS BLANKET DRIVE 2019

Please keep on donating blankets for the Matthew Downs blanket drive.

Mini Councillors

Please can you bring all knitted blanket squares (30cm by 30cm) to Mrs Simeonides in C40.

WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM

Learners must wear their winter school uniform. Please also note that the proper FULL winter uniform must be worn. If the PE uniform is worn, please ensure it is the COMPLETE PE uniform, not mixed with the normal uniform.

No house shirts allowed to be worn on Fridays until further notice.

Please ensure that whether your child is wearing their normal uniform or their PE uniform, they should be dressed neatly, cleanly and be proud to wear their uniform. Please do not send them in torn and unwashed uniforms.

Girls are not allowed tights with their shorts / skirts. If they are too cold, they must use the PE tracksuit.

SCHOOL TERMS 2019

Term 3: 9 July – 20 September

Term 4: 1 October – 4 December

Public Holidays:

Tuesday 24 September 2019 Heritage Day

E-LEARNING LEVY

E-Learning Levy for Grades 4 – 7 is **R350,00**. Please make payment for this levy as soon as possible. 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 will be paid as soon as possible. This will cover the cost of the trolley solution with tablets we have purchased for our Foundation Phase learners.

All new parents please note that the **e-levy is included in the enrolment fee which would have been paid when you enrolled. The INITIAL e-levy amount payable is R450 for all new applications (regardless of the grade) so parents need not pay an additional R250 for Foundation phase and R350 for Intersen and senior phase.**

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 SURNAME 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 2019.

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

CYCLE DAYS – TERM 3

DAY	DATE
3	Monday, 19 August
4	Tuesday, 20 August
5	Wednesday, 21 August
6	Thursday, 22 August
7	Friday, 23 August
1	Monday, 26 August
2	Tuesday, 27 August
3	Wednesday, 28 August
4	Thursday, 29 August
5	Friday, 30 August

CYCLE TESTS

DATE of Cycle test:	SUBJECT:
2019/08/21	English Grade 4-7
2019/08/23	Mathematics Grade 4-7
2019/08/26	Life Orientation Grade 7 Life Skills Grade 5-6
2019/08/27	Afrikaans Grade 4-7
2019/08/29	Ns & Technology Grade 4-6 NS Grade 7
2019/08/30	Geography Grade 4-7
2019/09/02	History Grade 4-7
2019/09/03	EMS Grade 7
2019/09/04	Technology Grade 7

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

Tennis

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

Practice Schedule – Term 3

Sport	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Hockey Practice		U/7		U/8	
		U/9		U/10	
	U/8	U/10	U/7	U/11	
	U/9	U/11		U/12	
		U/12		U/13	

Cricket Practice	U/11 U/12 U/13	U/9 U/10	U/9 U/10	U/11	U/12 U/13
Girls soccer Practice	U/10&11 U/12&13		U/10&11 U/12&13		
Cross Country		U/9 to U13	U/9 to U13		

Times: U/7 & U/8: 13:30 – 14:30
U/9 to U/13: 14:30 – 15:30

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

House Shirts

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

PLEASE NOTE: The house shirts are not allowed until summer. We will let parents know when they can be worn again.

The cost of the shirts is as follows:

Children's Shirts: R75,00
Adult's Shirts: R90,00

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

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

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 3 collection:

Coin Collection Term 3

Thanks so much for the funds raised for TLC orphanage. This term, we are collecting coins for St. Mary's Orphanage. 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!

Bottle tops and Bread tags!!!!

Woopwoooooop! We are on 120 kg! 330kg to go for our next wheelchair! Please keep sending! Every bit makes a difference!

Hidden Treasures

Please send all + 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 would like to start 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 initiate! 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.....

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

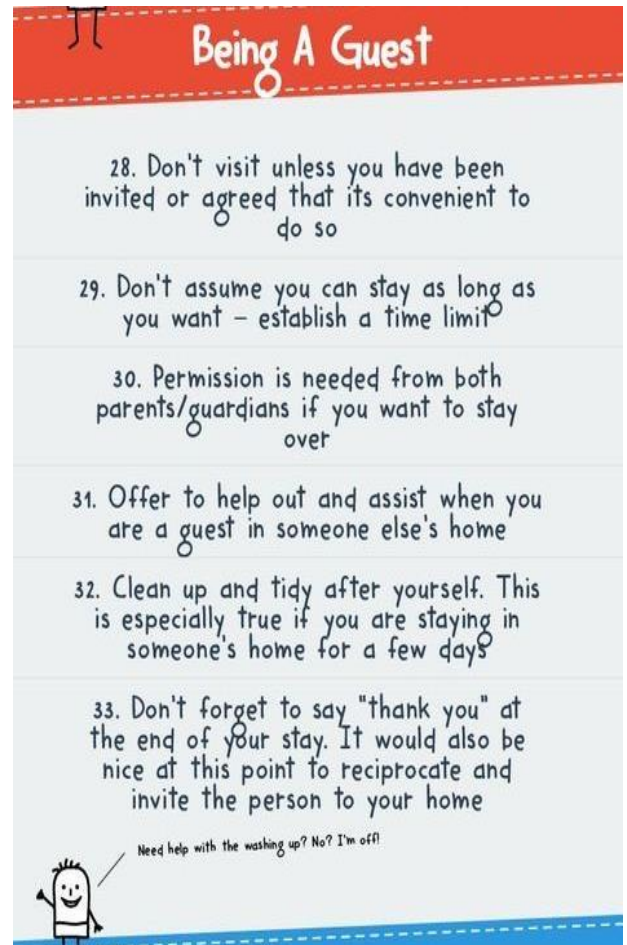
Tuck Shop

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



And **FINALLY...**



Regards,

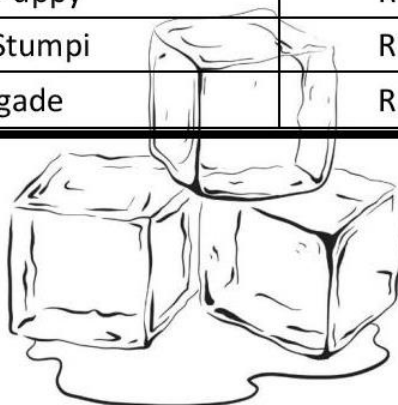
**MRS C SING
PRINCIPAL**

TUCKSHOP MENU

BEVERAGES



Warm Drinks 250ml	
Coffee	R12
Tea	R12
Hot Chocolate	R15
Cappuccino	R15
Cold drinks	
Buddies	R15
Flavoured Water	R14
Still Water 650ml	R10
Small Milk	R10
Flavoured Milk	R12
Milo Box	R12
Fruit Juices	R8
Kingsley Drinks – Large	R10
Kingsley Drinks – Small	R8
Vitamin Water	R14
Isorade	R14
Iced Tea	R14
Frutesca Shakes	R14
Slush Puppy	R15
Sterri Stumpi	R16
Energade	R15

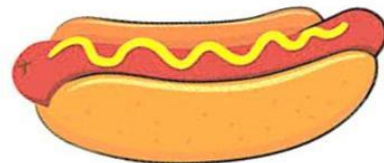


TUCKSHOP MENU

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		

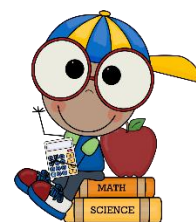


UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

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.*



Let your kids exercise and have fun and learn co-ordination while getting fit and healthy in the process develop elements such as self-esteem, memory, creativity, leadership, teamwork, respect and balance.

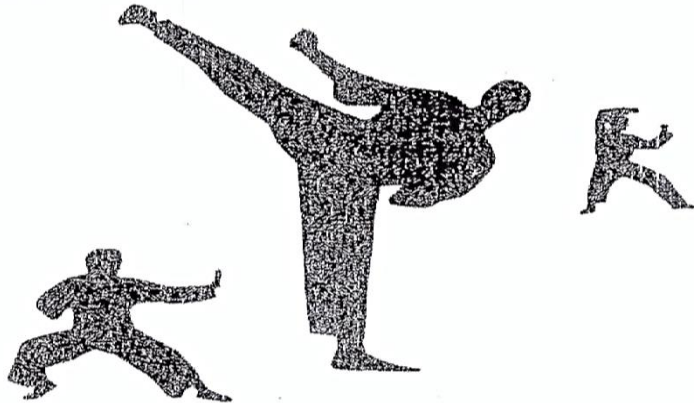
We break down the steps, add games, activities and cultural awareness elements into the class structure.

Zumba kids is happening every Monday at Bracken Primary. Grades 1 to 7 from 14:00 till 14:45.

We also offer Zumba Kids birthday party entertainment and Zumba Fitness for wellness days, team building and bachelorette entertainment. R210.00 per month. No registration fee. Contact Sandra Mob: 084 764 5103 Email: sandra.bosmann@gmail.com



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 6th 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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