



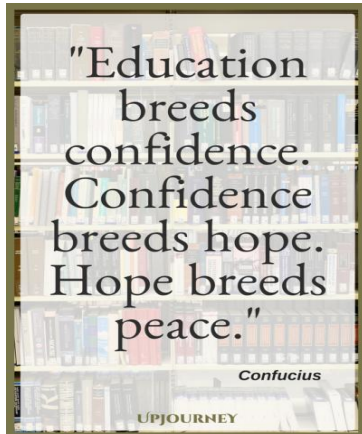
Brackenhurst Primary School



Newsletter 27/2019 2 September 2019

Dear Parents,

Quote for the Week:



CASUAL DAY – FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2019



Stickers for the Casual Day will be available to buy from your register teachers for R10. Please bring your money to support this worthy cause. The money will go in support of The Sunshine Centre for Handicapped Children.

SUPPORT GROUP

On Wednesday 11 September 2019 Mrs Engelbrecht will be hosting a support group for **parents** of children with **diagnosed ADHD**. This will be an informal way of sharing ideas and coping skills not only for the children, but the families as well.

VENUE: Staffroom
DATE: Wednesday 11 September 2019
TIME: 18:00
COST: No cost involved

Please call the school and let the front desk ladies know if you will be attending. Tea and coffee will be available. Regrettably no children to attend.

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.

DRIVING AROUND THE SCHOOL

Parents **MUST** be more cautious when driving around the school in the mornings and afternoons when dropping off and fetching learners. On Friday we almost had a very serious collision on the corner of Begonia and Jasmine streets. Please be mindful of our children and other parents.

CRAZY CRITTERS

The Crazy Critters Show for Grades 1 to 5 and LSEN - children received letters last week. R20 to be paid to their register teacher by 18 September 2019.



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

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.

SUMMER SCHOOL UNIFORM

Learners are allowed to wear their summer school uniform from Monday 2 September. Please also note that the proper FULL summer uniform must be worn. If the PE uniform is worn, please ensure it is the COMPLETE PE uniform, not mixed with the normal uniform.

House shirts may be worn on Fridays from Friday 6 September, no other shirts are allowed.

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.

SCHOOL TERMS 2019

Term 3: 9 July – 20 September
Term 4: 1 October – 4 December

Public Holidays:

Tuesday 24 September 2019 Heritage Day

ACADEMIC

CYCLE DAYS –TERM 3

DAY	DATE
6	Monday, 2 September
7	Tuesday, 3 September
1	Wednesday, 4 September
No day - moderation	Thursday, 5 September Learners must bring their English, Maths and Afrikaans books to school.
2	Friday, 6 September
3	Monday, 9 September
4	Tuesday, 10 September
5	Wednesday, 11 September
6	Thursday, 12 September
7	Friday, 13 September

CYCLE TESTS

DATE of Cycle test:	SUBJECT:
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/8 U/9	U/7 U/9 U/10 U/11 U/12 U/13	U/7	U/8 U/10 U/11 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.

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

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 Auntie Sheena for counting all the coins!

Bottle tops and Bread tags!!!!

Please keep sending! Every bit makes a difference!

Hidden Treasures

Please send all and 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 initiative! 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

Tips for Motivating Children to do their Jobs

Common Situations

- Do you dread getting your children to do all of the things they need to do?
- Are you tired of reminding them to do their chores?
- Do you wonder how you can motivate them to complete their tasks without your help?

The Tip



If so, today's tip may be just the answer you are looking for:

Use clear instructions, encouragement and praise to motivate children to do chores.

How it Works

Be Clear

First, make sure your children really understand:

- what they need to do.
- how they need to do it.
- what constitutes a job well done.

Often children want your help because they are unsure about what they should do and how to do it. They need your clear instructions in order to proceed.

At the beginning, you may need to work with your children before they are ready to work on their own. It can take a while, longer than you'd expect or like, before they are ready to work independently. Be patient.

Encourage them

Next, help your children to know and understand what the benefits are to them of becoming more responsible.

The benefits can be **internal**, such as in the good feelings that come from getting a job done.

For example, a parent might say to a child, "You can feel proud knowing you were a big help with the chores today."

Benefits can also be **external**, such as seeing a clean kitchen sink. If allowance or money is attached to completion of the chore, then that can encourage their cooperation.

In addition, as children become more responsible, they can have more say over when and how they complete a task. This can also motivate kids to act responsibly.

For example, once children learn to cook for themselves and clean up after themselves, they can decide what they eat and when they eat it.

These benefits, both internal and external, can serve as encouragement for your children to complete their tasks. Make sure to point out the good results that will come their way.

Praise them

Finally, praise your children for each step they make towards becoming more responsible. You can do this by breaking down each larger task into smaller pieces. For example, while a young child may not be able to organize all of his toys, you can praise what he was able to do:

"You did a really great job of putting all of your books on the shelf. Thank you so much. Now, let's grab the puzzles."

Closing Thoughts

Be there to support, encourage and praise your children. For some, it can take a long time till they can work on their own. But know that with patience and persistence, they will get there.

And FINALLY...

Boy: My father's name is
LAUGHING and my mother's
name is SMILING.

Teacher: You must be kidding?

Boy: No, That's my brother.
I'm JOKING... 🌟



Regards,

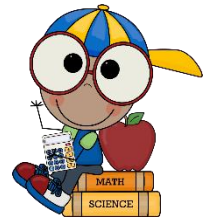
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PRINCIPAL**

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

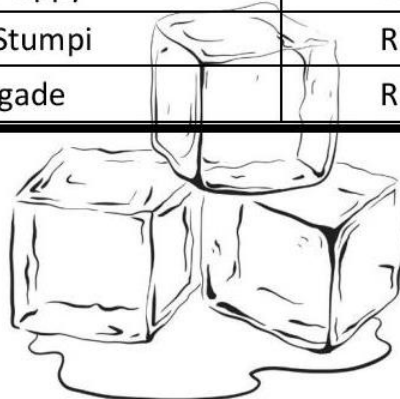
LEARNERS: are welcome to buy anytime during the school day (breaks)
*NO WAITING PERIOD... tracksuits are available from the sports office
size 20 – 30 R380; size 32 – 38 R400.*

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		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		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		

