

Embed confidence; fuel ambition.

7 July 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your patience this week with the disruption that the strike days brought. We are looking forward to having a full week of school next week and it is going to be a busy one.

Culture Day

We are looking forward to our annual Culture Day celebration on Thursday 13 July. Culture Day is an idea that has been driven by our student leadership team and we are pleased to see their idea come to fruition. The Diner will serve an extraordinary menu that celebrates diversity in traditional cuisines. There will be a whole-school non-uniform day, where we have encouraged students to wear clothing that reflects their culture. All lessons will have a task or activity that focuses on identity and heritage, so that student will explore different cultures throughout the day. We will also expand our extra-curricular offer so that students will have an extended enrichment offer as part of our celebrations.

Sports Day

Friday 14 July is our sports day and students have been signing up for events for the past few weeks. We have been talking to students about the need for them to be fully prepared for the day. Earlier this week you received a letter outlining our arrangements for Sports Day. Students should arrive at school for 9.10am to be in their tutor rooms to register at 9.15am. The day will finish at 2.45pm for all students. The weather is currently looking good, although there may be a chance of rain in the afternoon. Please check the forecast later in the week and ensure your child has the right clothing with them on the day. We do have a reserve sports day booked in for Monday 17 July, but we are hopeful that we do not need to use this!

Lawnfest

On Thursday 13 July we are holding our annual Lawnfest. This is a wonderful event designed and organised by our Year 8 Student Receptionists as part of their work experience. We are opening our doors to you and our local community between 4pm and 6pm and we would love to see you there.

Teaching and Learning Showcase

On Thursday 6 July we opened our Teaching and Learning Showcase to parents/carers. I am sure those of you who came to see our celebration were extremely impressed by the quality of work on show. If you missed it then you can see some highlights on Twitter. We are also planning to ensure our students see the celebration of their work during the day on Monday.

Advance information

During this week's assemblies, Ms Nicholson has been talking to students about the importance of punctuality to school and lessons and the changes to the consequences for being late to lessons. Next week Mr Truscott will be sharing some changes to our behaviour routines in his assemblies. We are absolute in our belief that poor behaviour must not disrupt learning and that there must be a robust system of consequences to support good behaviour. In the next two weeks we will be reminding students of our expectations and teaching them about the changes to our consequence system from September. We will share this information with you before the start of term in September.

Uniform

Thank you for your support with uniform over the last few weeks. Students' uniform is looking much smarter. We will continue to challenge students who do not have the correct uniform on and are prepared to lend uniform items as we understand you may not want to buy new uniform at this time in the academic year. For further details about our uniform expectations, please click [here](#).

School laptops

If you are still in possession of a school laptop, please note that you are likely to notice that they become unresponsive over the coming days. This is due to them requiring urgent software updates. Please ensure that they are returned to school without further delay, complete with their power supply and laptop case, so that we can ensure the necessary software updates are undertaken ready for them to be redistributed in the new academic year.

Summer holiday activities

S= *Coming this summer...*

Breeze™

In the Park
Relaxed

Relaxed sessions for children with additional needs and their families.

Dates & Venues

*Times: 11am to 12pm (relaxed)
12pm to 2.30pm & 3pm to 5.30pm (open session)*

FRI 28 JULY	Garforth Glebelands Recreation LS25 1NT	TUE 1 AUG	Beeston Cross Flatts Park Beeston, LS11 7BQ	SAT 5 AUG	Tingley Blackgates Primary Academy WF3 1QQ	WED 9 AUG	Kirkstall Kirkstall Abbey Abbey Road, LS5 3EH
MON 14 AUG	Farnley Farnley Hall Park, Hall Lane LS12 5HA	THU 17 AUG	Bramhope West Park RUFC, The Sycamores, LS10 9JR	TUE 22 AUG	East End Park East End Park LS9 9NG		

- Additional Breeze staff available to help
- Arts and crafts and fun children's entertainment
- Minimal queuing
- Designated parking onsite or nearby
- Fence lined with security and staff monitoring entrances and exits.

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Breezeleeds.org

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Key dates for your diary the week commencing Monday 10 July

Year 12 work experience

Year 10 MFL speaking assessments

Monday

Teaching & Learning event in the main hall for students

Phoenix Dance trip to West Yorkshire Playhouse

Tuesday

Year 7 financial literacy workshops

Theatre performance for KS3 history – “Fire”

Year 10 Food Tech practical

Wednesday

Sixth Form induction, 10am-2pm

Year 10 Food Tech practical

Thursday

Lawnfest 4pm-6pm

Culture Day

School council ice lolly sale

Friday

Sports day

Thank you again for your ongoing support, it is appreciated.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Bell', written in a cursive style.

Mrs J Bell
Headteacher