



Dear parents/carers,

As your child is moving to a new year group in September, I wanted to take the opportunity to write to you and welcome your child to my phase and introduce myself as their Phase Leader. It was an absolute pleasure welcoming the new children into their Year 3 and 4 classes last week. Hopefully this will have alleviated any concerns or nerves that the children may have been experiencing. I hope that you took the opportunity to introduce yourself to your child's new class teacher and visit their new classroom also. We look forward to developing our relationships with parents and carers moving forward. At Bricknell, we are proud to be an outstanding school. We strive for excellence and endeavour to work in collaboration with our families to ensure our pupils have the very best outcomes socially, emotionally and academically. Please find below the areas in which parents can support their children to lead them to the best outcomes holistically.

## **Attendance**

Parents have a responsibility to ensure that their children receive full time education. Regular attendance is essential if children are to progress with their learning. We strive for all children to have 100% attendance. Although we recognise that children do become too ill to access school on occasion, the majority of mild illnesses and ailments can be managed at school to allow your child to access their learning.

Please inform the school by 8:50am by phone, email, or in person if your child is unwell and unable to attend school. If we have no reason for the absence by 9.30am the absence will be recorded as unauthorised. We will ring parents if your child is absent from school and we have not received notification. Please also notify us if your child has a medical appointment as we will need to see documentation of this where possible.

Term time holidays - Schools have no authority to authorise absence for a family holiday during term time. Any such absence is unauthorised. We would appreciate advanced notification of any absence wherever possible so we can account for your child's absence without needing to call or text you.

## **The school day**

The school day is from 8.50am to 3.20pm. Children will enjoy a morning playtime with a duration of 15 minutes and a 1 hour lunch time.

Please note, the school gates will open at 8.35am every morning and will be opened at 3.00pm every night.

Children can enter their classroom to be registered from 8:40am to 8:50am. Once your child is on site they need to go straight to their classroom. As per our school policy, the children are not permitted to play with any of the OPAL play equipment or on the activity trail outside of the school day. This policy can be found on our school website.

The school day will end at 3.20pm and will be escorted out of school by their class teacher.



Meet the teachers:



Mrs Dunlin  
(Phase leader)

Have a fabulous summer and I can't wait to see you all in September.



Miss Miles

I am looking forward to another year at Bricknell Primary in September. I hope you all have a lovely summer.



Mrs Giles

I am really looking forward to working with the new Year 4s in September. Have a lovely summer!



Mr Sharpe

This will be my 7<sup>th</sup> class in this year group. I can't wait to welcome you all in September.



Mrs Ellis  
(Teaching Assistant)

I am really looking forward to working in Year 4 with you all.

Important dates:

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September –Training Day

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September –Training Day

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January - Training Day

Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
4th Sept	School opens	7th Jan	School opens	22nd Apr	School opens
25th Oct	School closes	14th Feb	School closes	23th May	School closes
4th Nov	School opens	24th Feb	School opens	2nd June	School opens
19th Dec	School closes	4th Apr	School closes	18th July	School closes

**Year 4 Provisional Dates**

Parents Evening Dates

Wednesday 16th October- Open evening 3.30-5.30pm

Thursday 17th October- Open Evening 5-7pm

Wednesday 12th March- Opening Evening 3.30-5.30pm

Thursday 13th March- Open Evening 5-7pm

Whole School Dates

Monday 7th October- Whole school Flu Vaccinations

Monday 11th November- Anti Bullying Week



Monday 11th November- Catch up Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 11th February- Safer Internet day

Monday 16th June- Whole School Sports Week

Monday 30th June- Whole School Enterprise Week

Monday 7th July- Whole School Transition Week

Year Group specific dates

Wednesday 2-4th April Newby Wiske Year 4 Residential

Monday 2nd June- Year 4 Multiplication Check Testing Week

Date TBC - Swimming

**Year 4 School Trips**

Term	Curriculum Link	Approximate Cost
Autumn	Swimming – PE Eden Camp – History	Free £25
Spring	Residential – PHSE Beverley/Tickton/Hull local area – Geography Easter Service - RE	£247+£32.75 coach £TBC Free
Summer	Wyke College Sports event - PE Bonus Arena Concert – Music  Hull Museums – History	Free  Free (Tickets available for parents to watch £5) £TBC

At Bricknell we...

- Show respect, tolerance and kindness
- Have high aspiration, determination and resilience
- Demonstrate the Bricknell Standard
- Make the most of every opportunity

**The Bricknell Standard:**

We will talk to your children every day about the Bricknell Standard. The Bricknell Standard outlines what we expect from all pupils at our school. They are:

- Follow the school rules
- Wear the correct uniform – including PE kit
- Read at home 5 times a week and fill in your reading record
- Complete 25 minutes of times tables practise a week using Times Tables Rockstars
- Try their best in everything they do

To help your child succeed, we ask that every day your child arrives at school on time and is ready for the day ahead. That means, wearing the correct uniform, having their reading book and reading journal with them and bringing their school water bottle. (If your child has lost their school water bottle, a replacement can be purchased from the office for £1.)

School uniform:



Please ensure your child/children come to school wearing the correct uniform every day.



- Navy blue jumper or cardigan
- White polo shirt
- Grey trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafore
- Grey tights
- Grey, white or black socks
- Black shoes
- Pale blue PE t-shirt – with or without logo
- Navy or black PE shorts
- Navy blue tracksuit with zip up hoodie

Nail varnish, jewellery, headbands that stick high off the head and dyed hair are not allowed to be worn in school.

## PE

From September, the teaching of PE will be changing. Instead of a two hour lesson, in one afternoon, the two hours will be split into two separate one hour lessons over two different days. One lesson will be taught by a sports coach or member of Bricknell staff whilst the other hour will be taught directly by your child's class teacher. As a result, your child will need to come to school wearing their PE kit on **Monday** and one other day which will be arranged shortly. Information about this second session will be provided via text or email.

Please ensure they come to school dressed in the correct P.E. kit and have their school water bottle with them. Please note, long hair must be tied back and earrings must be removed.

## Homework

Homework is linked to the Bricknell Standard, no homework book will come home with your child for tasks to be completed. All we ask is that your child reads a minimum of 5 times a week and records their reading in the reading journal and that they complete 25 minutes of TTRS a week. In September, your child will have their TTRS log in on their reading record, if these log ins don't work or you have problems accessing it at home, please make your child's teacher aware as soon as possible.

## Behaviour

Your child will be expected to demonstrate the Bricknell Standard as part of the Behaviour Policy. Positive behaviour is rewarded with Dojo's and Bricknell Stars. Children not demonstrating the correct behaviour will follow the behaviour pathway as stated in the behaviour policy, which is available on the website.

I am thoroughly looking forward to working with you and your child in the next academic year. Have a safe, happy and fun filled Summer and we will see you in September.

Thank you,



*Aspiration*

*Knowledge*

*Achievement*

