

Friday 6th December 2013

Message from the Head

Ofsted report

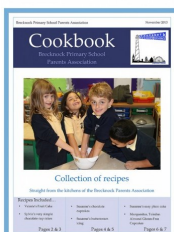
You should have received the full Ofsted report which was sent out yesterday. We thought it was fair and accurate. I noticed a spelling error in my name – at the end of the report and have now got that amended. Thank you to the parents, from the Parents' Association who commented on how good the report was and how positively it reflects our school. We all really appreciate positive feedback.

Christmas Fair next Friday – 13th December after school in the bottom hall.

We need lots of help and support to make sure our Christmas fair is a joyful occasion which raises money for the children. Anything you can contribute will be really helpful. If you can bake cake, biscuits, donate sweets for our "Guess the number of sweets in the jar", donate lucky dip prizes, tombola prizes, raffle prizes etc. We really do need every one of you to make a contribution, however small. Please contact Valerie - khaval@gmail.com and let her know what you can bring. We will be selling tokens for 50p – so you can buy in advance and budget how much you want to spend. A visit to Father Christmas, in his grotto will be 3 tokens, and for games we will give two or 3 goes for 1 token. Emily and Ben's nan has made a fantastic cake which we will be raffling. We hope to see you all there. Entrance will be from the bottom playground.

Parents' Association Cook Book

The Parents' Association have compiled some recipes which are in a book and downloadable for free from their page on the school website. They include some tasty and simple ideas for cakes and treats that can be made for Friday Cakes Sales. Have a look and give some a go. If you have some family favourite recipes you'd like to share they can be easily added.



Last day of term—2pm close

Just a reminder that on the last day of term the **school closes at 2pm**. Please ensure that your children are picked up then. Thank you.



Mathletics and Bug Club

Mathletics and Bug Club are now updated. Please encourage your children to use them. Thank you.

www.mathletics.co.uk & www.bugclub.co.uk

Dates for your calendar

9th December	Y6 Thames Explorer Trip
11th December	Bench Ball Tournament for Y3 & Y4
12th December	Code Club @ CLC for Raspberry Pi Workshop
13th December	Christmas Fair 3.30pm-6pm
16th December	Year 2 Christmas Show—2pm
17th December	Year 1 Christmas Show—2pm
18th December	Reception Christmas Show 2pm
19th December	Nursery Christmas Show—2pm
20th December	End of Autumn Term— school closes 2pm
6th January	Spring Term Starts

Fantastic 5M!

Well done 5M who achieved 100% attendance this week. It's so important to be in school as much as possible and make the most of all possible learning opportunities. Keep up the great attendance 5M!



Christmas Lunch

A reminder that the Christmas Lunch in the dinner hall will be held this Wednesday, 11th December. The menu can be found on the school website under the 'Dinners' page in 'School Info'.



School Calendar 2014

Stuck for a Christmas gift idea? Next year's School Calendar is on sale now in the school office for £2.50—perfect for the person who has everything!

This years cover is from the current hall displays made by classes and based on artists linked in with their IPC topics. If you haven't seen them in the hall yet come and have a look.



MP Surgery—Frank Dobson

Frank Dobson, Local MP will be holding a surgery here at the school on Friday the 31st of January 2014 from 9.00 – 10.00am. Please contact the Office for an appointment.



Attendance Rabbit & Early Bird Winners



Spring Term—week ending 29th November

Attendance KS1: **2B—97.69%**

Attendance KS2: **5M—100%**

Early Bird: **5C — 0 lates**



The Francis Crick Institute came in this week to work with year 5 in a unique workshop to create their own pieces of beautiful glass, inspired by images of the human body under the microscope. Led by glass artist Susan Purser Hope, they made connections between art and science. The children used coloured glass in different forms to create their pieces of art. After being fired in Susan's kiln, the pieces made in the workshop will be displayed in the school.

Year 5



Reception

Every Friday is 'story Friday' in reception. Thank you to all the parents who were able to come along and share books with the children.



Dear Greenpeace,
Today I found a whale in my pond, which was blue. It looked like it was hurt so I gave him some ice-cream. He feels much better now. Do you know any other food I can feed him?
Love Emily

Dear Emily,
There can't be a whale in your pond. As well as that you could not have given the whale ice-cream because, 1. the whale is too big and 2. they eat krill and shrimps.
Yours Sincerely,
Greenpeace

Dear Greenpeace,
Today I went to the cinema with my whale to watch 'The Simpsons!' When he blinks quickly, does it mean he likes it?
Love Emily

Dear Emily,
You could not have watched the Simpsons with a whale because it does not have the brain to understand what they are saying, and no, if the blink quickly it does not mean anything.
Yours Sincerely,
Greenpeace

Dear Greenpeace,
Today I had an egg and spoon race with Arthur (my whale). He won two times! Do you know anything else I could play with him?
Love Emily

Dear Emily,
You could not have had an egg and spoon race because it does not have hands or legs. Instead they have flippers for hands and fins for legs.
Yours Sincerely,
Greenpeace

Dear Greenpeace,
You wouldn't believe this I found a whale in my pond can you send me a letter back with facts about whales? Love from Emily

Dear Emily,
I am afraid there can not be a whale in your pond as they are found in salt water, so here's a fact. Did you know Emily that whales are the biggest animal on earth and its bigger than any dinosaurs?
Yours Sincerely,
Greenpeace

Dear Greenpeace,
Thank you for the fact. I read it to Arthur (my Whale) he didn't know that he was the biggest animal alive! For tea, I fed it some bread crumbs and crunched up cornflakes when I went back to the pond they were all gone!
Love Emily

Dear Emily,
I have to point out, quite forcefully now, that there cannot be a whale in your pond. I'm sorry to deliver this news to you. Please don't be upset.
Yours Sincerely,
Greenpeace

Dear Greenpeace,
I read your letter to Arthur. I woke up and Arthur was gone. I think you were right.
Love Emily

Top 6 letters by
Ayesha



Bottom 5 letters by
Sam



Golden Book Awards—and this weeks winners are...



Samuel & Jaubaira—Class 1B, Penelope & Theodore—Class 1T,Dren & Sameer—2B,Brandon & Abdulrahman—Class 2H,Ben—3M,Sam—3N,Keleigh—4A,Maria—4M,Anisa—5C,Saara—5M,Mus'Ab—6G,Mas'ud—6M