

Friday 25th April 2014

Message from the Head

I hope you all enjoyed the lovely weather over Easter, and had a good break.

The children have been enjoying our Poetry Day today—on the theme of “A world without water”. Every class learned, recited and acted a poem. They were all simply brilliant. We will try and edit them onto a clip for the website. A big thank you to Laura for organising this and the teachers for working so hard to make sure the children can learn the joy and power of choral verse speaking.

Camden Music Service Raffle

Britains’ Got Talent – raffle for tickets for the final and semi-final.



David Walliams, who thinks Camden has a lot of talent, has offered two VIP tickets for the final and four for the semi-final of Britain’s Got Talent. Just £5 buys you the chance to be his special guest, and the money raised will help Camden Music make more music with more children in Camden which we all benefit from. Tickets to the live auditions of the X Factor at Wembley Arena are also on offer! Tickets are available online by making a donation of £5 on <https://mydonate.bt.com/events/2014afflebgtandxfactor>. Your raffle ticket will be emailed to you – make sure you leave your email address and contact details for when you win! The draw takes place on 23rd May, and tickets will be on sale until May 21st. 30 Tickets will also be on sale from the school office on a first come first served basis for those unable to purchase online. Further information about the raffle is available from Deborah Rees at the Music Service deborah.rees@camden.gov.uk

Dates for your calendar

28th April	Circus Skills Workshop for Year 2 and 3
29th April	3M to the CLC
29th April	3N to Lords Cricket Ground
1st May	3N to the CLC
2nd May	Year4 to Borough Market
7th May	Year 3 to Hampstead Heath
7th May	Family Maths in Reception
12th May	Reception to London Zoo
12th-16th May	Year 6 SATs week
16th May	Class Photos
19th May	Sports Day
20th-23rd May	Brecknock Book Week
20th May	School Council to Parliament
22nd-23rd May	Nursery to Hampstead Heath - half each day
4th June	Year 6 Citizenship Day @ Coram’s Fields
9th-13th June	Brecknock Programming Week
20th June	Community Festival
18th July	Last Day of Term—school closes @ 2pm

Attendance and Punctuality Awards

This week the punctuality and attendance awards were handed out in assembly for the Spring Term. Congratulations to 5M who took the attendance award for KS2 with 96.59% over the Spring Term and 2H who took the KS1 crown with a fantastic 97.24%. The punctuality award went to 5C in KS2 with just 15 lates all term. KS1 was not quite as punctual with 2B taking the crown with 43. Some work to do in KS1 at getting in on time to get as good as 5C!



Brecknock Code Club

Code Club will be starting again from Wednesday after school and we would like to open it up to **ALL** of KS2. So if your child is in years 3,4 or 5 and they would like to have a go at writing their own computer programmes to create animations and games then see Sue in the office to sign up. We have a limited number of places so get in quick!



Sprint, run, throw and jump into athletics

There is a fantastic event taking place at the Parliament Hill Running Track on Sunday 27th April

12-2pm (registration from 11.30am). QuadKids is the England Athletics endorsed athletics format for children of all abilities, it is quick, fun and a great way to measure progress over time, as the focus (and medals) is towards who improve the most! We would recommend this to all parents as something to get your children involved with. They will have fun, keep fit and healthy, and they may discover a hidden talent! QuadKids is perfect for children aged up to 12. Cost is £2 per child, no need to pre-register just turn up between 11.30-12. For more information email: GRAHAM NORRIS at: highgateharriers@hotmail.co.uk

Mathletics and Bug Club

Please encourage your children to use these from home. Thanks www.mathletics.co.uk & www.bugclub.co.uk

The next Friday Cake Sale is...

Friday 25th April — for charity (Cancer research)



The Circus in Year 2



This week Year 2 started their Circus topic. There was dressing up, face painting and balloon animal making. Next week they will be doing a circus skills workshop. The children have really enjoyed the first week of circus themed learning and look forward to more over the coming weeks. Keep an eye on their website page to keep up with all the exciting work.



Easter Discos

Three Little Pigs

As part of their new Literacy topic, 'Traditional Tales', year 1 have been studying 'The Three Little Pigs'. This week the Big Bad Wolf came to visit the children and gave them a big fright! The children role played the story and each took turns to play the wolf and the pigs. Here are some pictures that show what they got up to.

A huge thank you to all the parents who helped to organise the Easter Discos for Early Years and KS1 and for KS2 before the holidays. As you can see from these photos (thanks Steve!) a great time was had by all. These events wouldn't happen without the support of you parents so thank you. If you

would like to get involved with future events contact the parents association (parentsassociation@brecknock.camden.sch.uk) or go along to their next meeting.

Year 3 have been experimenting with torches and different materials as part of their investigations into light and dark. They were thinking about how much light different materials would let pass through them as well as looking at how shadows are formed.

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