

Friday 20th June 2014

Message from the head

We have had brilliant feedback this week, from "Inspire" - the company who have delivered Work Week across every year group at Brecknock. It has helped the children to think about their futures and the world of work. They have been on some fascinating visits—across London and the feedback from all these places has been extremely positive; the way the children have behaved, their curiosity and interest and the questions they have asked have been a credit to the school and to all our parents. Thank you to Laura who organised this as a part of her Rights Respecting role. We know that children's rights are at the heart of our ethos at Brecknock—and we are really seeing the impact of this in the way children are now understanding and respecting each other's right to learn, to play and to be safe. We hope the assessors who are coming in on Monday will see the progress we have made in this. Thankyou to all those who have helped to organise the community festival.....pictures in next weeks newsletter.



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

Sam & Mahir—Class 1B,
Ismaael & Zainab—Class 1T, Ahmed & Said—
2B, Hayley Jade & Mohammad—Class 2H,
Aleyna—3M, Zaki—3N, Morgan—4A,
Jennifer—4M, Riya—5C, Kidus—5M,
All of the class—6G, All of the class—6M



Attendance Rabbit & Early Bird Winners



Summer Term—9th—13th June
Attendance KS1: 2H—100%
Attendance KS2: 4M—100%
Early Bird: 5C & 6G — 0 lates



Friday Cake Sale

Last Friday's Cake Sale for year 2 raised £52.05. Well done and thank you to all the parents and friends who donated items for sale.

The next Friday Cake Sale is...

Friday 27th June—Year 1



Dates for your calendar

25th June	Year 3 Shakespeare Workshop
26th June	School Council to Parliament
2nd July	Year 3 to Open Air Theatre in Regents Park
4th July	Reception to the Adventure Playground
11th July	Year 6 to Joss Bay
15th July	Year 6 Show
17th July	Leavers Presentation @2pm
18th July	Last Day of Term—school closes @ 2pm
1st September	INSET DAY (no children)
2nd September	INSET DAY (no children)
3rd September	Autumn Term starts—Children return to school

Mathletics and Bug Club

Please encourage your children to use these from home. Thanks

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

Camden Refugee Awards 2014



Yesterday 3 of our students were recognised for their contribution to school life and their hard work at the annual Camden Refugee Awards. They were presented with their award by the Mayor of Camden at a ceremony held at LSU school. Well done to Berie, Idris and Mohammed. We are very, very proud of you. You represent Brecknock with distinction. Thank you.

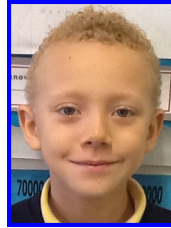


Letters from the trenches in Year 4

This week year 4 were reading a story written from the perspective of a young army recruit in the trenches during the first world war. The book showed what it was really like for soldiers but then had letters from the soldier back home to his mum where he pretended conditions were good so she wouldn't worry. The children were given the task of writing a letter to show a friend what it was really like. There was some fantastic writing and we wanted to share Morgan and Jamaal's pieces with you. They often find getting their good ideas down on paper difficult but they did fantastically well with this task and we are very proud of them. Well done boys. Keep it up!

Dear Tommy,

It all began when I crouched in this hell hole. In front of me was two walls. One was my country the other was hell even if I set foot in there it would feel treacherous. The stench of gun powder drifted up my nose. It felt like nightmares. Bombs blew off, my ears popped and the food was horrible. I can't wait for my mum to say welcome home son. Sarg is about to blow the whistle. I hope there isn't a bullet with my name on it. Why did I enter this war? I wish I could go back in time.



By Morgan

Dear Tommy,

While I crouch in this hell hole I can hear shells whistling in the distance with soldiers suffering for their lives. In the dark, round, ominous, miserable trench I stare at soldiers wrapped in rags with dripping blood. Any second now I'm going to charge towards my enemy and unleash all my fury. With sweaty palms my gun almost slipped out of my grasp. I hope I stop killing and go home.



By Jamaal



At Brecknock we are very proud of the diverse background our children come from and how they all thrive here. We wanted to take the opportunity to share with you some writing done by Wei-Keat in year 3. Wei-Keat arrived at Brecknock in the Spring Term of Year 2, which means he's only been here just over a year. Upon arrival, he had very little English. Through his hard work and determination he has made fantastic progress. We are so proud of him! We hope you enjoy his writing. One piece is a diary entry as Hogarth from the story of 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes and the other is a letter written to apply for a job.

Fantastic Wei-Keat!

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to apply for the position of the train driver. I would like this job because I love trains and love looking out of the window on long journeys. I believe I would be good at the job because I am really good at the button and level. I have experience at driving trains. I can drive big trains and small trains too. I look forward to hearing from you.
Yours Faithfully,

Wei-Keat

Dear Diary,

It was about seven o'clock. I was fishing in my favourite spot but tonight no fish were biting so I decided to give up then the warm sun sat down behind the rocky cliff. Then I had a strong feeling I felt like I was being watched. As I turned I saw green lights at the top of the cliff. I realised those green lights were traffic lights maybe searchlights. You never guess what they were. I ran home. I have never ran so fast in my life my legs were hurting but I kept running. Finally I saw the light of my house. Then I bust through the door. Then my family gathered around me and I said Iron...Iron Man. What are you talking about son. Dad took down his shot gun then he sped through the door and he got in his car, then we wait for dad to come back and we wait for a long time. Finally dad came back and dad was shocked and feeling tired. Dad said a tractor was bitten in half...



This week we have been busy across the school with Work Week—it's been fantastic! There have been visitors and visits all across the school. We've had trips to the fire station in Shoreditch, trips to M&S, Caravan restaurant in Kings Cross not to mention some very important 'Dragons' coming in to listen to business ideas. A huge thanks to Laura for organising it and to Alice from 'Inspire', the charity that has been working with us, the first Camden Primary School to take part in the project, and helped everything run so smoothly. Keep an eye on our website as teachers will be putting up lots of photos from the many activities they have been doing.