

Thursday 2nd April 2015

## Message from the head:

This has been a great term at brilliant Brecknock with children involved in lots of exciting learning opportunities, and the Year 3 and 4 shows provided a fantastic finale. Thank you to everybody involved. We have lots to look forward to in the summer term, please see the calendar below for a flavour of these events. It will also be an important time for our Year 6 children who will be taking SATs in May and then leaving us at the end of term. We just know they are going to have an amazing time before then though! School closes today for the Easter holiday. I, together with all the staff hope you have a lovely time and that the sun shines on you all. School will re-open at 8:50 on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April.

## Guitar Lessons—Mondays

If you would like guitar lessons for your child we have some spaces. The price is £75.50 for each block of 10 lessons (or £37.50 if on free school meals). If you are interested or would like more info speak to Rod or the school office.



## INSET Day

The first week back after Easter starts with an INSET day which means the children are back at 9am on **Tuesday 21st April**.



## Quad Kids—sprint, run, throw and jump

There is a Sunday athletics club being run for children up to age 12 at Parliament Hill Track. See the flyer in the whole school news section of the school website for more information. The clubs starts on 12th April. A great opportunity to learn and keep fit.

## Punctuality

We would like to ask for your support in helping your children get to school on time. In recent weeks the number of children arriving to school late has increased, especially in KS1. The soft start gives the children time to settle in to class at any time from 8.50am onwards with all children expected to be in class by 9.00am ready to start the school day. Research shows that it is vitally important to children's education that they are in school and on time. It can affect a child's self esteem if they arrive late on a regular basis, even by just a few minutes, as they can feel others are looking at them. Please do all you can to support them in getting to school on time. We have a breakfast club which can be useful to make sure the children are here, settled and have eaten something before class. If, for any reason, you are struggling with mornings, please speak to us and we may be able to help.

## Tile Mural

Many of you may know that Pedro Kalache, our pottery club teacher, has been working on another project with the whole school. During last term, every child and adult in the school had their hand print put on a clay tile. This term he has been working on getting them glazed and fired ready for an unveiling of the finished mural for the York Way side of the school in June. We thought we would share with you a recent photo of some of the tiles he has been working on and a photo-shop version of what it should look like when finished. We can't wait to see the real thing in place.



## Dates for your calendar

20th Apr	INSET Day—SCHOOL CLOSED
21st Apr	Summer Term Starts—Children Back
27th Apr—1st May	Year 5 to France
27th Apr	3N to the CLC
30th Apr	3F to the CLC
4th May	May Day—School Closed
5th May	Meet Marianne Coffee Morning @ 9.15am
8th May	Y3 Health and Fitness Boot Camp on Hampstead Heath
11-14th May	Y6 SATs Week
18-22nd May	Brecknock Maths & Programming Week
18th May	Brecknock Puzzle Day
21st May	6C to the CLC
22nd May	6G to the CLC
25th-29th May	Half-Term Holidays
1st June	INSET Day—School Closed
10th June	Brecknock Sports Day at Hampstead Heath
15-19th June	Brecknock Work Week
26th June	Brecknock Community Festival
21st July	Last Day of Term



## Parent Academy

- All Groups—16th April—In holiday trip to British Museum



## Reading Eggs & Mathletics

Children should now have their logins for 'Reading Eggs', our new online reading resource which is to replace 'Bug Club'. Please encourage your children to use it. Also remember to encourage them to practice their maths skills on Mathletics. There is a free 'app' that can be downloaded so you can also access Mathletics from an iPad.

[www.readingeggs.co.uk](http://www.readingeggs.co.uk) & [www.mathletics.co.uk](http://www.mathletics.co.uk)



**Next Meet Marianne Coffee Morning**  
**Tuesday 5th May—9.15am—Bottom Hall**



**Friday Tea**—For charity on Friday 24th April.



## Attendance Rabbit & Early Bird Winners

**Spring Term: 23rd—27th March**

Attendance KS1: **1M—98%**

Attendance KS2: **5W—100%**

Early Bird: **Rec B & 6C—0 lates**





# End of Term Show Madness!

Anyone who was fortunate enough to see the Year 3 Rainforest Show or the Year 4's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory was left in no doubt how amazingly talented the children at Brecknock are. Yet again, the children and teachers showed why Brecknock is the amazing school it is and why the children do so well. If you were not able to come and see your child's performance, or you did but want a copy to keep, DVD's of the performances will be available soon. A huge thank you to you all for supporting with learning lines and bringing in costumes.



## Golden Book for the Term



**Reception**

**Year 1**

**Year 2**

**Year 3**

Reception B—Ifaz  
Reception R—Albie

Class 1M—Hadi  
Class 1T—Zara

Class 2B—Emma  
Class 2H—Dina

Class 3F—Kawthar  
Class 3N—Sharnelle

**Year 4**

**Year 5**

**Year 6**

Class 4M—Nabil  
Class 4W—Aleyana

Class 5M—Ruben  
Class 5W—Mary

Class 6C—On  
Class 6G—Iffat

As it is the end of the term, one of the many children from each class, who has been outstanding in a particular area all term, has been chosen for the star pupil of the term. We are very proud of these children and want to share this achievement with you.