

Friday 3rd July 2015

Message from the head

At this time of year we are busy planning for September and a new academic year. We have a great team in place but there will be some staffing changes which I would like to tell you about.

Natasha Theakston and Alice Reicher will both be leaving Brecknock at the end of term to take on new challenges. They have been brilliant teachers and will be very much missed, we wish them every success for the future. I am also pleased to announce that Henny and Natalie, two members of our fantastic Nursery Team, are both expecting babies in the Autumn Term. Again, they will be missed but we look forward to welcoming them back in the future.

Next Thursday (9th) children will be involved in 'Meet your new teacher' during the afternoon. They will spend the afternoon in their classroom for September, with their new teacher. The school will be open at the end of that day for you to visit your child's new classroom and meet their new teacher. We do hope that as many of you as possible will take a few minutes to say hello.

Homework Club is on this Monday. It will be in class 5W with Ella straight after school and is open to KS1 & KS2.

Give it a Go! Festival—12th July

This summer, Camden's annual Give it a Go! Festival returns with a range of **free sports, music, arts and other activities for the whole family** to get moving more.



Taking place at Parliament Hill Fields on **Sunday 12th July from 1 to 5.30pm**, you can try out sports including badminton, tennis, boccia, martial arts, dance classes and a climbing wall. For younger children, there will be activities including an inflatable bounce-run, graffiti t-shirt making and face painting. You can also relax with healthy smoothies from our smoothie bike while enjoying music live from the bandstand. The festival is run in partnership with the City of London Corporation, Pro-Active Camden and COO-L, and celebrates the year-round programme of sport and physical activity available to residents in Camden.

For more information and latest updates on the day, visit camden.gov.uk/giveitago

Year 6 at Thorpe Park



Lots of fun was had by year 6 at Thorpe Park this week on the hottest July day since records began—they were a tired bunch by the time they returned. Many fell asleep on the train back! They have been an amazing year group and worked so hard this year and achieved so much. Monica, Henry and all the team are very proud of them.

Year 6 End of Year Show

The Year 6 show has been moved to the last Monday of term, the 20th July. Please make a note of this in your diaries. The performance for parents, family and friends will be at 6.00pm. Thank you.

Dates for your calendar

29th June	Reception to Kentish Town Farm
10th July	Year 6 to Joss Bay
16th July	Year 6 Leavers Presentation
20th July	Year 6 Show for Parents @ 6.00pm
21st July	Last Day of Term—close @ 2pm
1st & 2nd Sep	INSET Days—school closed
3rd Sep	School Opens—Children back

Attendance Rabbit & Early Bird Winners

Spring Term: 22nd—26th June

Attendance KS1: **1M—99.13%**

Attendance KS2: **4W—100%**

Early Bird: **6G—1 late**



Summer Holiday Cycle Training for Children

Following on from the successful cycle training that some of our year 6 children took part in recently we want to draw your attention to the summer course Camden are running during the holidays. The course is free and delivered over two days; however booking is required to secure a place.



3rd and 4th August at Haverstock School

10.00am-10.45am—Beginner Group

11.15am-12.00pm—Beginner Group

1.00pm—3.00pm—Level 1 control skills for children who can already ride

For more information or to book a child onto a course please contact Michelle Jamieson or Richard Riddle in the transport strategy team on **02079745537** or **02079745071**. Email cycle.training@camden.gov.uk

Brecknock Rocks!

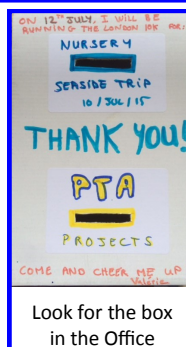
Brecknock's fabulous year 5 bands, 'Cheetahbeats' and 'KSI', performed at the annual Primary Bands Night at Regent's High School Theatre on Tuesday night. They were absolutely phenomenal and wowed the crowd with their ability to change between instruments and rocking stage presence. All the schools were incredible but ours 'rocked!'

A massive well done to Mary, Raia, Kiarn, Nell, Ruben, Emily, Mehtib, Zoe and Erona oadn of course a huge thank you to Rod for teaching them.



Dig Deep to Support Valerie!

Don't forget, on Sunday 12th July 2015 Valerie Baudry (Mum of Naji in Y4, Anis in Nursery and PTA Member) will be taking part in the British 10k London Run. She will be running to raise money for Brecknock Nursery's July Seaside Trip and for the PTA. If you would like to support her please donate what you can (collection box at the office)



BRITISH 10K LONDON RUN



Community Festival 2015

Last Friday was our Community Festival. It was a lovely sunny day and the event was a huge success £730 was raised! We'd like to say thank you to the PTA for helping to organise and run it, the teachers and TAs who stayed behind to help out and all the local businesses who helped out with prizes and other items. Thanks too to everyone who came along. The table below shows all the

businesses who helped by supporting the event in some way, please support them too!

Shillibeers bar & restaurant	1 Carpenters Mews, London N7 9EF Tel: 020 3218 0083
Islington Tennis and Sport Centre	Market Road, London N7 9PL Tel: 020 3793 6880
Salvino Specialty Food	47 Brecknock Rd, Holloway, London N7 0BT Tel: 020 7267 5305
Phoenicia Mediterranean Food Hall	186-192 Kentish Town Rd, London NW5 2AE Tel: 020 7267 1267
Earth Natural Foods	200-202 Kentish Town Rd, London NW5 2AE Tel: 020 7482 2211
Down to Earth Yoga Centre	129 Fortess Road, NW5 2HR Tel: 020 7018 7657
Bumblebee Natural Foods	33 Brecknock Rd, Holloway, London N7 0BT Tel: 020 7607 1936
Aura Pharmacy	21 Brecknock Rd, London N7 0BL Tel: 020 7485 2159
Snappy Snaps	299 Kentish Town Rd, London NW5 2TJ Tel: 020 7485 4420
Pleasance Theatre	Carpenters Mews, North Road, London N7 9EF Tel: 020 7609 1800
Odeon Cinema	419-427 Holloway Road, London N7 6LJ Tel: 0333 006 7777
Post Office	20 Brecknock Rd, London N7 0DD Tel: 020 7609 2565
Topps Pizza	81 Fortess Rd, London NW5 2HJ Tel: 020 7485 8558
Austin Fruit and Veg	396 York Way, Holloway, London N7 9LW Tel: 020 7697 9824
Tesco	196 Camden Rd, Camden, London NW1 9HG Tel: 0345 677 9118



Circus Skills Workshop in Year 2!



The Mesopotamian Brasserie
Chef Rowda presents the most delicious feline food ever!

Starter

1. Lovingly flavoured tuna salad (perfectly made every day)
2. Consume a la mouse

Main Course

1. Crisply fried chicken (whole, half or quarter)
2. Thinly sliced lamb daintily floating in gravy.
3. Ribon-Steak Combo - you'll never forget this dish! (dry, wet and moist varieties).

Dessert

1. Ice-cream smoothly blended with Whiskas.
2. Chicken-in-jelly yoghurt.

Beverages: fat-free milk, organic milk, camel milk, almond milk, rice milk, cream and water.

Varjak Paw

The menu from Chef Rowda in Y4



inspired by the book 'Varjak Paw.' If you've not read it, you should—it's amazing!

Ask any year 4 and they can tell you the whole story!

Golden Book Awards and this weeks winners are...



Ajwad & Saidah—1M, Chloe & Daniel—1T, Marcello & Zainab—2B, Fred & Ben—2H, Redhwan—3F, Sahra—3N, Priam—4M, Wei-Keat—4W, George—5M, Jamaal—5W