

Friday 20th January 2017

Message from the head



Winter has finally arrived! Please make sure that your children are dressed appropriately and that all their clothes are labelled. It is a good idea to remind them to always store their gloves and hats in the pockets of their coats if possible. Despite the cold weather our Early Years classes are still busy learning indoors and out. Children in Nursery were intrigued today to find a sheet of ice right next to some spring bulbs beginning to peep through, a welcome reminder that if winter comes spring cannot be far behind!

Dates for your calendar

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| 1st February | Nursery to the Tate Modern |
| 10th February | Last day of half term |
| 13th-17th Feb | Spring Half Term Holiday |
| 20th February | Children return to school |
| 20th February | Grand opening of the two year old Nursery—Mersea class |
| 31st March | Last day of term—close at 2pm |
| 3rd-17th April | Easter Holidays |
| 18th April | School Opens—children return |

After school Clubs

There are still a few places available for a few clubs:

If you are interested please see Sue Dunbar in the office for a form.

| Clubs | Year Groups | Day | Number of places left | Charge per session/term |
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| KS1 Gymnastics | 1 and 2 | Wednesday | 4 | £2 (£20/term) |
| Mathletics | 2,3,4,5,&6 | Wednesday | 4 | £2 (£20/term) |
| Drama | 5 & 6 | Wednesday | 8 | £2 (£20/term) |
| Football | 3,4,5&6 | Thursday | 12 | £2 (£20/term) |
| Chess/ draughts/ Library | 2,3,4,5,&6 | Thursday | 2 | £2 (£20/term) |
| Code club | 3,4,5,&6 | Thursday | 8 | £2 (£20/term) |

Houses and Homes

This term in Nursery our topic is 'Houses and Homes'. We will be learning about where we live and the different houses people live in around the world. To start the term we have been reading the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. We had great fun creating our own versions of the story using small pigs, straw, bricks and sticks. Some of us have designed and built our own houses out of cardboard boxes.



Attendance Rabbit & Early Bird Winners!



Attendance EYFS: Lindisfarne 99.44%

Attendance KS1: Jersey 98.33%

Attendance KS2: Tahiti 99.62%

Early Bird: Lindisfarne



Friday Teas

This is the schedule for the next three

Friday teas:

27th January—Y1

3rd February—YR

10th February—N



Welcome Mersea Class

A huge welcome to all the children that started in Mersea class today, our new two year old classroom. The children had their first open morning and settled in brilliantly. We are looking forward to welcoming them all back again next Thursday for their next stay and play



In Mull we went on a walk around the Clocktower Park for our Science lesson. Having just started our new topic of Animals (specifically birds for the moment) we decided to go and investigate our local area. We walked down to Clocktower Park in the sunshine and saw some amazing things! We saw Magpies, Wood pigeons, Robins and even one Blackbird. We even got the chance to feed the birds!



Editorial Team for Brecknock Newsletter!

Each week we have Y6 helpers preparing the newsletter. This week the assistant editor was Abbi, in year 6. She was supported by her team of researchers and reporters; Sumaiya, Maysa and Anfal. Thank you girls for your help ensuring the newsletter met the Friday morning print deadline!



Get Well Soon!

We are sorry to tell you that Sumana, class teacher in Lindisfarne Class, has had an accident and broken her ankle. She misses the children very much and we are in touch with cards and kind thoughts.



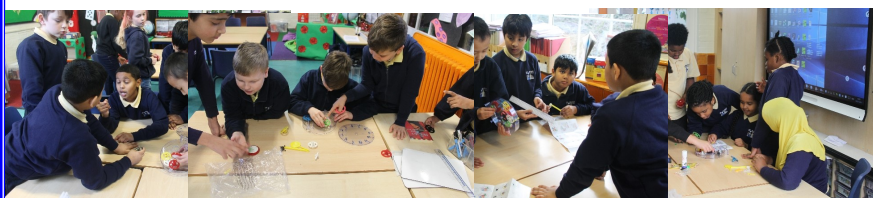
Sumana will be off school for several weeks and in the meantime Joanna, and on occasions Janet, will be teaching in Reception. Please join us in sending Sumana best wishes for a speedy recovery.

It is NOT a Box!

After reading the book 'Not a Box' by Antoinette Portis, Reception classes chose from a variety of boxes and created cars, rockets, a horse and many other exciting things. Some children worked on their own while others worked collaboratively. We were all very excited about our creations and have enjoyed using them this week.



Y5 wound themselves up with clockwork this week!



Vacancy for a Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor on the Governing Body, this position is open to all parents and guardians of children in this school. The governing body, with the head teacher, has overall responsibility for the running of the school, training is available for all governors and it is a rewarding and interesting role so do please give some thought to applying. No special qualifications are needed and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the governing body's work. If you would like to stand please complete the nomination form which was sent home last week, or pick one up at the school office and return it to school no later than **MONDAY 23rd JANUARY**.

Cuba at the CLC

Yesterday Cuba went to the CLC to make stop motion animations! The children created their own stories, backdrops, characters and props to make animations to do with their topic last term: Explorers and Adventurers. They had lots of fun ... watch out for the final animations on the website once they have edited and added music to the amazing work they produced today.



Golden Book Awards and this weeks winners are...



Finlay & Karolina—Mull, Cara & Chloe—Skye, Laila & Kay-Yee—Guernsey, Rizwan & Amira—Jersey, Natasha & Yaqub—Y3, Rahmo & Penelope—Y4, Vera & Serena—Y5, Mattis & Samuel - Y6