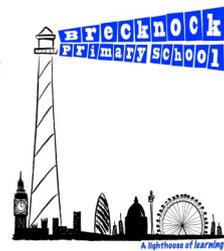




# Brecknock Newsletter



Friday 24th February 2017



Another wonderful half term approaches and we have lots to look forward to. The week beginning 27th February is Book Week and on Thursday 2nd March we would like everyone to dress up as a character from a book, this is usually a fantastic day so do start thinking about costumes now. There is no need to buy expensive costumes the home made ones are usually the best. I look forward to seeing what everyone comes up with

Monday was a momentous day for Brecknock and for Camden when we were the first Camden school to officially open for two year-olds. It is fantastic to have these new additions to the school and it is a credit to the wonderful staff that not a tear was shed on the first day! All the children have settled really well and are happily learning through play.

## Dates for your calendar

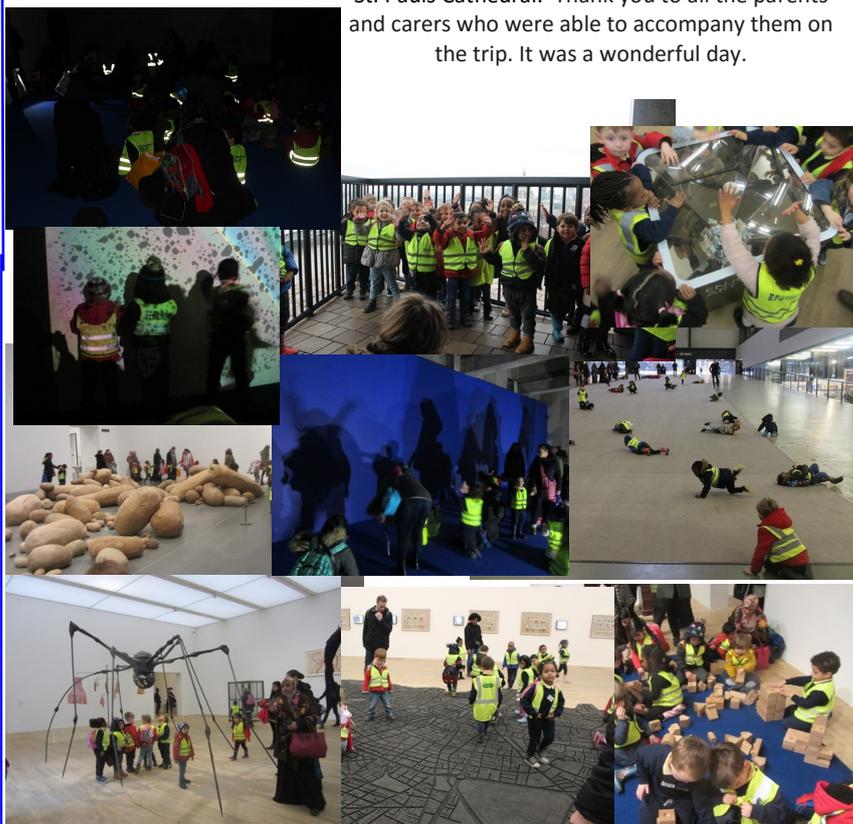
There is one INSET day still to be arranged. As soon as it is set we will publish it in the newsletter and amend the list of term dates on the website.

2nd March	World Book Day
3rd March	Reception trip—Golden Hinde
6th March	Year 3 trip—London Zoo
24th March	Spring disco
31st March	Last day of term—close at 2pm
3rd-17th April	Easter Holidays
18th April	School Opens—children return
Monday 1st May	May Day—School Closed
Friday 26th May	Last day of half term
Monday 29th May— Friday 2nd June	Half Term Holiday
Monday 5th June	Children return to school
Friday 21st July	Last day of term for the children

## Nursery at the Tate Modern

Before half term the Nursery had a wonderful trip to the Tate Modern art gallery. They explored a variety of different installations and spaces in the gallery. The first room they went in to was completely blue, as they moved through the room spotlights switched on. They decided to stay very still to see if they could get all the lights to go out, they managed it once! It was very exciting (and a little scary) sitting in a pitch black room!

Then they took the lift all the way to the 10th floor. They stepped out of the lift to a magnificent view of London. Many of the children were able to spot various London landmarks such as 'The Walkie Talkie', The Shard, The Gherkin and St. Pauls Cathedral. Thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to accompany them on the trip. It was a wonderful day.



## Attendance Rabbit and Early Bird Winners

Attendance KS1: Jersey —100%  
Attendance KS2: Corsica —99.2%  
Early Bird: EYFS, Sicily & Mull—0 lates

## Friday Teas



This is the schedule for the next three Friday teas:

- 3rd March—Y5 & Y6
- 10th March—Y4
- 17th March—Y3

## Date for your diary

### Friday 3rd March

Brecknock Table Top Toy and Book Sale— Please search out any spare toys and books you have and hand them into the office. The sale is to raise money for some new Science fiction books for the school library.

## Help your child enjoy reading!

Turning the Page is an exciting project for families that provides easy, practical ideas and fun creative activities to help children enjoy reading. Come along to the **dining room** every **Tuesday morning at 9.00**. From 9-10.30am there are friendly and supportive classes for parents, with lots of practical ideas to help with reading at home. From 3.30-5pm we run creative book-based workshops for the whole family. This is especially useful for parents of children in Year 1, Reception or Nursery.



## Puppet Making Extraordinaires!

Just before the holidays Year 1 had a very special guest, Alex and Oli's mum Helen! Helen very kindly came in to teach them all how to make puppets using tights, cushions, different materials and some glue and sellotape. They based their puppets on their Literacy story for the half term 'The Sweetest Song'. They made the characters of Mum, Dad, Little Daughter and The Wolf and have now performed puppet shows of the story (which have been re-written with a character reversal twist). Rod kindly filmed them so have a look on the website! Here are a selection of the lovely puppets they made.



## We now have two year olds at Brecknock!

Brecknock Primary School are thrilled to announce that our two year old classroom, 'Mersea Class' opened this week. The children have been fantastic and have settled in really well. They have been enjoying many activities such as building sand castles, painting, making dough cakes, singing nursery rhymes and listening to stories. Below are some photos of their busy first week.



We still have afternoon funded places available. To find out if you will be eligible for a funded place please come and speak to Jackie or Sue for an application form.

## Save the Date!

Next month sees the Year 3 and Year 4 classes putting on their annual shows. We hope you will be able to join us to watch the children's performance.



Year 3—Tuesday 28th-March at 2pm  
Year 4—Thursday 30th March at 2pm

## Exciting news!

We are very excited to announce that from Monday we will begin a dual meal service at Brecknock with both Halal and non-Halal food. Here is the certificate to show that Brecknock have complied with the Halal and Hygiene requirements according to Islamic Dietary Law and Halal Standards.



## Clay in Cuba



For the next stage of their clock maker apprenticeship, the children of Cuba (like Karl), were set the challenge to make their very own figure for the great clock of Glockenheim.



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



Eldana & Rabia—Mull, Riyam & Maya—Skye, Sophie & Luca—Guernsey, Kamarri & Mirna—Jersey, Donya & Abdi—Y3, Alyssia & Anas—Y4, Naila & Ryan—Y5, Shalin & Maysa—Y6