

Brecknock Newsletter



Friday 14th July 2017

Message from the head



You will remember that last week I told you about some teachers who will be leaving Brecknock at the end of next week. Today I want to tell you about new colleagues who will be joining us: Felicity Jacobson and Charli Whittlestone will each be teaching one of our Reception classes from September and they are already busy planning and thinking about how to make our new classrooms and outdoor area absolutely stunning! Zoe Rickard will also be joining us as a Year 4 teacher, Zoe has spent the morning with her new class this week and will be sharing some of the ideas she has gleaned at Netley with her new class. Zoe will be working in parallel with our old friend Az who has returned from his travels around the world. He has many exciting stories to tell! So 2017 – 2018 promises to be a happy, successful and productive year.

Dates for your calendar

Mon 17th July	Race for Life Run
Wed 19th July	Year 6 show at 6.00pm
Thurs 20th July	Year 6 Prize giving at 2.00pm
Friday 21st July	Year 6 BBQ on the roof
Friday 21st July	Last day of term for the children. Finish at 2!

Attendance Rabbit & Early Bird Winners!



Attendance EYFS & KS1: Mull
Attendance KS2:
Tahiti
Early Bird: Sicily

Well done!!!



Reminders: No clubs next week and school finishes on Friday at 2!

TODAY: Race for Life Tea

Please pop along and show your support—it is all for a great cause.





Community Festival!

A massive thank you to everyone who came, enjoyed and supported Brilliant Brecknock at the Community Festival last Friday. It was a truly special event—there was such a lovely atmosphere and the music, food and stalls were all amazing. Altogether, we managed to raise £1100! Well done and thank you to the Brecknock PTA, who worked extremely hard to organise and set up the event. They have worked tirelessly all year round to support the school and to bring people together at many extremely successful events. This is a big reason why Brecknock is such an inclusive, vibrant and fun school to be part of.





Local businesses—THANK YOU! We must also say a massive thank you to the following businesses for their generous donations. Without their support, we would not have managed to raise the impressive amount we did. We are very lucky to be part of such a wonderful community. All are local businesses so do please google where to find them and pop in next time you are going by to pass on your gratitude:

Bumblebee; Aura Pharmacy; Salvino; Islington tennis centre; Pleasance theatre; The Depot; Golden Valley Chinese Restaurant; Odeon Holloway Cinema; Snappy Snap; Kentish town bowl; Noble Dry Cleaners; Ruby Violet, ice cream; Galley restaurant; The Co-Op



Meet Your New Teacher!

This week, the children met their new teachers. Below are the classes and teachers for each year group. Feel free to introduce yourself at the end of the day next week—all the teachers are looking forward to meeting you.

Class	Teacher	Support Staff	
Year 6 Madagascar	Maeve	Louise	
Year 6 Sumatra	Muriel	Susan	
Year 5 Jamaica	Matt	Jo C, Hayley	
Year 5 Cuba	Angie	Leroy, Siobhan, Geraldine	
Year 4 Hawaii	Az	Kate L	
Year 4 Tahiti	Zoe	Amani	
Year 3 Sicily	Carol	Matty, Tara, Chan- telle	
Year 3 Corsica	Aoife	Chloe, Nimete	
Year 2 Jersey	Jennie & Julie	Sabrina	
Year 2 Guernsey	Barry	Rachel	
Year 1 Mull	Sarah	Christine	
Year 1 Skye	Issy	Barnaby	
Reception Lundy	Felicity	Natalie, Faye	
Reception Lindisfarne	Charli	Maria S	
Nursery Bishop Rock	Henny, Janet	Viv, Amanda,	
2YO Mersea	Natalie P, Maria C, Rose		

Sponsored Run on MONDAY to support Race for Life

This summer Brecknock is putting its hands together to try and fundraise money for Cancer Research UK. On Monday, the children will be running around the Clock Tower. Altogether, if you add up how far each class will run, it will be the equivalent to a half marathon!

If your child has any sponsorship money could they please bring it in and give it to Issy in Skye class. At the end of the day there will be an award ceremony in the bottom playground where we will reveal the total raised. Thank you so much for your support and kindness. https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/brecknock-primary



Any support on Monday would be greatly appreciated; please do come on down and cheer on if you can! Below is a rough timetable of when each class will be running.

Time	Year	Distance
9.30-9.50	Year 2	1 km
9.50-10.10	Year 1	1km
10.10-10.30	Reception	1km
10.20-10.40	Nursery	1km
10.40-11.30	Year 3	2 km
11.40-12.20	Year 4	2 km
1.40- 2	Year 5	2km
2-2.30	Year 6	2km
2.45-3	Award ceremony In the playground	

Be The Best Exhibition

A huge thank you the children and teachers for the fantastic work and effort they have put into the Be the Best You Can Be exhibition in the bottom hall. It looks amazing and is a great reflection of everything that has happened this year; positive thinking, giving things a go, seeing failure as a way of improving and generally having a growth mindset can transform a child's learning experience and is proven to have a huge impact on their progress. Thank you to all of you who have already been to see the fantastic work. Today is your last chance if you haven't so please do pop in the bottom hall and have a look!











Thanks John—you are amazing!

Last week I thanked some of our fantastic Beanstalk Reading Volunteers. This week it is the turn of John Tavener, not only is he our assistant site services officer but when he could head off home he is a volunteer reader twice a week too. His dedication and enthusiasm know no bounds! He was none too shabby as our "Mystery" on the Throw the Sponge at the Teacher stall too!



Camden New Town Community Festival

The Camden New Town Community Festival is on this Sunday 16th July, from 12pm at Camden Square. Parents from Brecknock school will have a stall to promote the school and raise some funds. Please come along to support your school and if you are able to lend a hand, please email brecknockpta@gmail.com



Keep Learning Over Summer!

Summer holidays are a time for children (and teachers!) to get away from the classroom and relax. However, it is great for children to keep practicing key skills so they do not forget them for the next year! Please encourage your child to read as much as possible during the break and, if they have a spare 30 minutes, pop on to Mathletics for some times tables and number bonds practice (these are essential for their maths learning!). Make sure your child knows their Mathletics login details before the holidays—see Henry if you are unsure!



Mathletics

Golden Book Awards! And this weeks winners are...



Muzique & Abdullah—Skye, Violette & Karolina -Mull, Musa & Mahad —Guernsey, Maya & Pierre —Jersey, Zara & Selina —Y3, Kerriann & Maisie - Y4, Zuhur & Sameer —Y5, Nabil & Nazo—Y6