

# Brecknock Newsletter



Friday 13th October 2017

# Message from the head



Over the last couple of weeks we have had visits from school improvement partners in Camden and together we have been conducting lesson observations and drop-ins. It has been a pleasure to see how good the start of the new year has been, children are active engaged learners and our younger children calm and settled. Teaching is strong across the school and staff work together to drive forward school improvement. Our key priorities this year and the ethos of the school can be found by following the QR codes or <a href="http://www.brecknock.camden.sch.uk/news/school-development-plan-17-18/">http://www.brecknock.camden.sch.uk/news/school-development-plan-17-18/</a>) We look forward to working with you to achieve our goals in the best interests of our children.



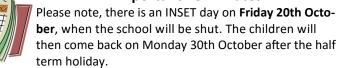


# PLEASE NOTE: NEXT FRIDAY (20th OCTOBER) IS AN INSET DAY! THE SCHOOL WILL BE SHUT FOR CHILDREN

# **Important Message**

Can all parents and carers please make sure they update the office if they get a new mobile phone number. It is essential the school has a working number so we can contact you. Many thanks!

# Important Term Dates



On the subject of dates, the final day before breaking up for the Christmas holiday will be **Monday 18th December**. This is a decision made by the borough and we understand that it may seem inconvenient. School will therefore be closed from Tuesday 19th and children start back on **Thursday 4th of January**.

# Dates for your calendar

17th October	Sumatra Shakespeare Performance at the Pleasance Theatre
18th October	Mull to the National Portrait Gallery
18th October	Madagascar Shakespeare Performance at the Pleasance Theatre
18th October	Digital Leaders to the CLC
20th October	INSET day - school closed for children
23rd-27th Oct	Autumn Half Term Holiday
30th October	Children return to school
31st October	Deadline for Secondary School Application
2nd November	Family Supper
9th November	Year 2 at the National Portrait Gallery
14th November	Jamaica to the CLC
7th December	Cuba to the CLC
18th December	Last day of term. Note: this is a <b>Monday</b>
19th Dec-Jan 4th	Christmas Holidays
3rd January	INSET Day—School closed
4th January	School opens—children back
9th January	Year 6 trip to British Library
19th January	Corsica to CLC

# **Greetings Cards**

Your child should have brought home a template of a greeting card last Friday. Remember, if you'd like to purchase it please complete the order form on the back of the drawing and return with the exact payment by 18th October to Valérie who will be standing by the office after school. For special arrangement please call her on 07796 760 614.

# Friday Tea - 3rd November

Whole school. Raising money for the Rohingya Refugee Crisis



# Open Morning at Regents High School

There are two Open Mornings at Regents High School. They are on Wednesday 18th October and Thursday 19th October, both start at 9.00am.





### Star Me

Max in Year 4 - Hawaii has made an incredible game on Scratch called Star Me. He programmed it all by himself, with a bit of help from Zara.



Try and beat Henry's top score of 22 by following the QR code. Alternatively go

to www.scratch.mit.edu and then type in lolpoop-2. Good luck gamers and keep your eye's peeled as Max is apparently coding a new game!



## **Jemmy Button**

Year 3 have been illustrating the book Jemmy Button, a true story about a young boy from Tierra del Fuego who moved to England and the experiences that he had.





# Jersey at the CLC

The children in Jersey class became animators for the day on a visit to the CLC. They learned how to use '2create a superstory', making their own books with animated pictures all about the Great Fire of London.



# **Karate Kings**

Two Brecknock karate kings spotted in the Camden New Journal! Congrats Dylan and Isaac!

### **Drama in Tahiti**

Tahiti have been acting out the story Escape From Pompeii, recreating the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in AD 79!



### **Ambassadors**

We are delighted to announce this years ambassadors. Some of them continue on in post as it is a commitment for two years. Those new to the role wrote some incredible self nomination forms and it was a tough decision choosing the finalists. They should feel very proud.

Their first meeting with Laura was this week and they are focusing on their first project Outright which will enable them to develop their knowledge and understanding of children's rights, learn about the impact of the refugee crisis on children's right to protection and right to family reunification and speak out and express their views on children's rights to their local community and with their local MP. Watch this space!



Here are a few of the inspiring words the ambassadors wrote in their applications:



"We can help celebrate friendship, kindness and help schools around the world."

"I enjoy working with other people. I am fair and I don't treat anyone the way I don't want to be treated."

"I will always try to make things happen."

"I always think about the opinions of others. I will make people more aware of Unicef and how it helps children around the world."

"If someone is talking I will always listen to them." "I will always use my manners."

"I'm helpful, caring and I would love to help the world. I don't like how the world has been affected."

"I want to help stop all of the sadness."

"If someone is rude I will step in and help."
"I listen to people's ideas and I would love to help you
learn important articles."

"I will make Brecknock an even better place to teach and learn."

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



Suraya & Sami —Mull , Sumayya & Oscar—Skye, Charlie & Abdullah —Guernsey, Tess & Violette —Jersey, Tristan & Star —Y3, Jago & Sumiyah—Y4, Milly & Majida —Y5, Ester & Changming—Y6