



Brecknock Newsletter



Friday 19th January 2018

Message from the head



Thank you so much to all those parents who came to the curriculum meetings for your children's year group. We all know that when school and home work together the outcomes for children are even better. The turnout in nursery "Friday Reading" was fantastic. Next week "Reading Friday" will be involving Reception parents/family members too. There is also a stay and play in Nursery to look out for 2.30pm to 3.30pm. Have a lovely weekend.

Dates for your calendar

29th January	Brecknock Choir at Young Voices Concert
31st January	Digital Leaders to the CLC
8th February	Year 1 at Little Angel Theatre
12th-16th Feb	Half Term Holiday
19th February	Children return to school
26th February	Sicily to the CLC
28th February	Year 4 Recorder Performance at Royal Academy
1st March	World Book Day
12th March	Choir at the Royal Albert Hall
14th March	Tahiti to the CLC
17th-23rd March	Sport Relief
26th March	Hawaii to the CLC
28th March	Year 4 Show
29th March	Last day of term. Note this is a Thursday 2.00pm
30th-13th April	Easter Holiday
16th April	Children return to school

Brecknock PTA

Dear Brecknock Parents,

2018 has kicked in pretty fast.

New year, new fundraising events and new projects to fund at school.

On Friday 26th January 2018 at 15:35 @ Dinner Hall let's discuss events planning and with a school representative the best way to invest funds we have raised in 2017 to benefit our children at school.

We also need to restructure our organisation team and have more parents volunteering at pre-event tasks. We would like to suggest that each event has a main coordinator and that this role is held by a different person each time (support will be offered).

If you cannot attend the meeting, please leave a written note at the office by Thursday 25th January 2018 with your full name, contact details (email + phone), name and class of your child and your message (suggestions, offer to help, availability and best way to contact) that will be read at the meeting.

Future events: Spring Disco, Eid, Summer Community Festival, Table Top Sale.

Happy 2018!
Brecknock PTA

Upcoming Friday Teas

January 26—Year 3
February 2nd—Year 2
February 9th—Year 1



Maria's Little Library

This week, Maria's family kindly joined us at Brecknock to cut the ribbon on her library's doors. Maria's Little Library is now open!

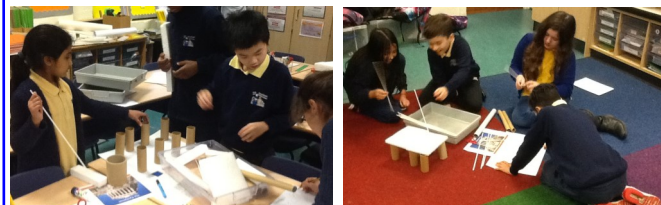


Be the Best You Can Be!

Former World, European and British Female Boxing Champion, Hannah Beharry, visited Brecknock school this week! Hannah told the children about all the difficulties and obstacles she had to overcome to be the first British female boxing champion, and what the children at Brecknock could do to achieve their dreams. Hannah grew up in Acton with her five brothers, and she did not have the opportunities that children have nowadays, especially as a female in a male dominated sport.

Hannah's story is an inspiring one. The children enjoyed asking her questions about her journey, her life now, and the future. She very kindly allowed us to try on her medals, her real boxing gloves, as well as her boxing kit when representing England!

We are going to use this inspiration to kick off the Be The Best you Can Be programme at Brecknock. It is an ethos which will run alongside the Rights Respecting theme we use already, but focuses more on building resilience and developing a growth mindset for learning, in children. What an inspirational start to the programme!



Building Temples in Year 5

While learning about Ancient Greek and Roman architecture, this week Year 5 built some fantastic temples using polystyrene, cardboard and toilet paper tubes.



What are you reading?

Chloe in Hawaii has been enjoying reading The Famous Five!

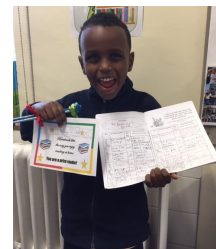
Has Anyone Seen Year 1's Missing Toys?



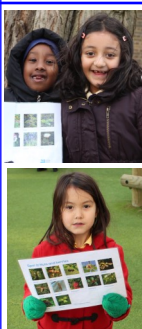
Posters have gone up around the school looking for Year 1's missing toys! Have you seen them?

Prize Reader Ibrahim

A very happy reader showing his certificate and prize for finishing his reading diary. Well done Ibrahim in Jersey!



Bird Habitats in Year 2



For their new topic, Earth Our Home, Year 2 had a guest from the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds. They went to the playground to explore their surroundings, and took note of what plants and animals they could find. They are looking forward to finding out the different places people and animals can live, and how they adapt to their habitats.



Odd Bod and Even Steven

Year 1 have been investigating numbers a lot. They have looked at how to identify odd and even numbers- even numbers are always in groups of 2! To do this they have been using numicon, counters, tens frames and cherry diagrams. Some of them have been looking for patterns at how odd and even numbers add together.



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

