



Brecknock Newsletter



Friday 23rd March 2018

Message from the head



I hope you will all enjoy our special Friday Tea today in honour of the fantastic, irreplaceable Sue Dunbar. Sue has given 43 years of service to the Brecknock community and we thank her from the bottom of our hearts.

I would like you to know that I will be reducing my working week after Easter. I will be working four days a week: from Tuesday to Friday. Our two fantastic Deputy Heads, Henry and Tiggy, will be Acting Headteacher on Mondays. In order to make everything absolutely clear Henry and Tiggy will be taking on the Acting Head role for a term at a time alternately, starting with Henry. So, after Easter the school will be led by Henry on Mondays and me from Tuesday to Friday. In the Autumn term Tiggy will replace Henry in the Acting Head role, then Henry again in the Spring Term, and so on. I am sure that you will notice very little difference – #BrilliantBrecknock will continue as usual!

Dates for your calendar

26th March	Hawaii to the CLC
27th March	Year 3 Show at 2.00pm
28th March	Year 4 Show at 2.00pm
29th March	Last day of term. Note this is a Thursday at 2.00pm
30th-13th April	Easter Holiday
16th April	Children return to school
1st May	Parent Gym—Taster
7th May	May Day—School Closed
8th May	Parent Gym—Chat
22nd May	Parent Gym—Behave
25th May	INSET Day—School Closed
28th May–1st June	Half Term
4th June	Children return to school
5th June	Parent Gym—Care
12th June	Parent Gym—Discover
19th June	Parent Gym—Together
25th July	Last day of term for children

Lost Property

There are lots of clothes and belongings piling up in lost property. Please do have a look before the Easter holidays if your child has lost something. Lost property is located where the packed lunches are kept, next to the Dining Room. Please label clothing with your child's name to avoid loss or confusion with others.



Parent Gym

We are very pleased to be able to announce Brecknock will be holding sessions of Parent Gym again soon.

All sessions will run on Tuesdays at 9:15-11:15 in the dinner hall and on the following dates:

Taster – 1st May (45 minutes)
 Chat – 8th May (2 hours thereafter)
 Love – 15th May
 Behave – 22nd May
 HALF TERM
 Care – 5th June
 Discover – 12th June
 Together – 19th June

The sessions are free and really supportive and is a fantastic programme that has been run before in Brecknock very successfully. Look out for the colourful flyers and posters coming soon.

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 FOR PARENTS WHO CARE

Year 3 and 4 Shows

Year 3 and 4 have been working extremely hard on their productions. The posters around school are really beginning to create a buzz. We're looking forward to seeing the performances next week! Please see the calendar for the times and dates.



Significant Males' Breakfast

Thank you to all those who attended the breakfast. It was a great success!



Root Veg Experiment

The budding scientists in Jersey are learning all about plants. They have been exploring different types of plant and have looked at seeds, bulbs, flowers and root vegetables. To find out whether a root vegetable would re-root, they have set up some experiments in class.



Girls Football

On Wednesday the girls played 8 matches against other Camden schools. The girls did the school proud by finishing a magnificent 2nd place, losing only 1 game.

'At first I was a bit negative as I don't really like football, but after a few games I really enjoyed it and wanted to play every game and win' - Cleo (Madagascar).

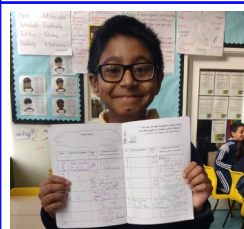
'As it was my first games for the team I was a little bit excited, the hall was really big and I couldn't wait to get started.' - Jessica (Madagascar)

Team: Anna, Sharnelle (scored) Megan, (scored) Jessica, Cheyanne, Cleo, Casey, Miah (scored) and Hiyaw



Maria's Little Library

Lovely to see the children reading and enjoying Maria's Little Library during break time.



Reading Diary

A big congratulations to Eijaz in Tahiti for finishing his reading diary! How far are you from finishing yours?

Tahiti at the CLC

Check out the animations based on King Tutankhamun that Tahiti made last week at the CLC. Follow the link or QR code to view the videos.

<https://videocentralhd.lgfl.org.uk/Play.aspx?id=yQ3jL0sXR9aaS>



Saving the Planet with the Woodland Trust

Here at Brecknock we are budding environmentalists keen to look after the world around us. The Earth Protection Team were concerned about the levels of pollution entering our playground from the busy road. They applied to the Woodland Trust for some hedgerow trees and were delighted to receive our 30 saplings. They had a busy session this week of planting and watering, welcoming our trees to their new home.

Well done Earth Protection Team and huge thank you to the Woodland Trust. Thank you also to Jennie for organising it all!



Musical Inspiration in Jersey

This week Jersey class were really lucky to have a special visit from a professional trumpeter. Darren plays with a number of orchestras including the London Philharmonic.

He taught the children about parts of the trumpet, they worked on some soundscapes together and even had a go at conducting.

What an inspirational session!



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

