

Friday 19th October 2018

Message from the head



On behalf of the staff I would like to wish you all a happy half term. There is lots to do in London so do please take advantage of everything on offer. There is also lots to look forward to next half term at school, not least Family Supper on **Thursday 8th November**, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Bring along a dish of your family's favourite food and enjoy it with the rest of the Brilliant Brecknock community – sharing is caring! As well as being a fantastic event Family Supper also embodies Article 24 of the UNCRC, the right to nutritious food. It is going to be a great evening.

Dates for your calendar

Please check our website for term dates for the full year.

22th—26th October	HALF TERM
29th October	School opens—children back
2nd November	Year 6 to the Imperial War Museum
8th November	Family Supper 5-7pm
12th -16th November	Anti-Bullying Week
21st November	Year 6 to the National Theatre
29th November	Parent Conferences 1.30 - 7.00pm
3rd December	Tahiti to CLC
4th December	Hawaii to CLC
7th December	Christmas Fair
11th December	Year 5 to Unicorn Theatre Nursery Show 2pm
12th December	Reception show 2pm
13th December	Mersea Class show 2pm
18th December	Year 1 show 2pm
20th December	Year 2 show 2pm
21st December	Last Day of Term—School closes 2pm
24th - 6th January	SCHOOL CLOSED, CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
7th January	INSET day, school closed
8th January	School opens for children
15th January	Curriculum Meetings Nursery, Y1, Y3 & Y5 (3.35pm)
17th January	Curriculum Meetings Nursery, Y2, Y4 & Y6 (3.35pm)

DON'T FORGET!!

'Significant Males' breakfast

every last Friday of the month, in the bottom hall from 8a.m—8.45. Whether you are a dad, step-dad, grandad, uncle or family friend Come along with your Brecknock child for this fantastic free breakfast
(no hassle or hidden meetings—just a really friendly get together)

FAMILY SUPPER

THURSDAY 8th NOVEMBER

Bring a dish from your culture & share with the rest of Brilliant Brecknock

Friday Teas

This is the schedule for the next three Friday teas. A massive thank you in advance to all the parents, carers and friends who contribute or lend a helping hand each week—we really appreciate it!

Last Week Year 1 raised £78.70! Well done!

2nd November—Nursery & 2YO

9th November—Year 5 & 6

16th November—Children In Need Event



Sadiq Khan has named Brecknock as one of his 'Schools For Success' to celebrate the school's achievements in supporting pupils needing extra help to fulfil their potential.



The Mayor's programme aims to improve expectations and raise standards for London's school-children, regardless of their background. Now in its second year, Schools for Success has created a network through which schools can share experiences and best practice with others across London.

More than 100 eligible schools are invited to join the programme and every local authority in the capital now has a school it can look to as an example. This group, refreshed annually, represents approximately six per cent of the capital's schools.

The Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, said: "Our Schools for Success programme shows the significant difference that a supportive and inclusive teaching environment can make for all pupils. London has some of the best schools in the country in the capital and by working together we can make sure that every young Londoner is given the opportunity to reach their full potential."



This is a fantastic achievement and one the school is very proud of. Well done all!



Maths Open Morning in Nursery and Reception

Come into your child's classroom and see:

A maths lesson in action!

How to help your child at home!

How to make maths resources for home learning!

How your child explains their mathematical thinking!

Friday 2nd November 8:55—10:00 in Nursery and Reception



SPACES AVAILABLE IN OUR FANTASTIC 2 YEAR OLD CLASS!

We still have some spaces available for 2 year olds in Mersea Class. It is a fantastic place for early education – ratios of 1:4 and stunning provision. Please talk to Jackie in the office if you would like a place for your child. Places are FREE to some families, but even if you don't qualify for a free place, paid places are available at £6.50 an hour. Why not come and have a look around?



Clothes! Clothes! Clothes!

Next term in Bishop Rock we are going to think about clothes. Clothes for sport, clothes for celebrating, clothes for sleeping, clothes for spying and so many more!

To kick start, we are going to have a **parade**

on Thursday 1st November at 10am in the Lower Hall.

Please ensure your child comes to school dressed to impress!

Please decide together what they will wear and they are able to talk about why it is special/unique/outrageous/ interesting.

Parents and carers are most welcome to attend (and dress up!!) for the parade



Peter's Olympic Session

On Monday Brecknock was joined by Olympian Peter Bakare. Peter ran fitness circuit assemblies for years 1 to 6, making sure the teachers took part too. The children really enjoyed it and were very impressed by Peter's spinning skills.



Riah in Sumatra said "I thought Peter was really inspirational".

Lily in Sicily said "He could spin the volleyball really fast. It was 'amaze-balls'!"

Well done to everyone who has brought in their sponsor money. If you have any more money to collect, please bring it to the school office.



School Council

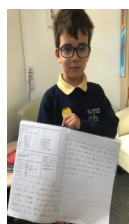
The School Council would like to remind Years 3 to 6 (KS2) that it would be a good idea to bring in a piece of fruit for break time. Many children can be hungry by break. When they were in KS1 many children enjoyed the fruit snack they were given and it helps them to concentrate on their lessons after break, rather than thinking about lunch.



We would also like to include Amira's photo from Tahiti, who was missed out last week. She is one of Tahiti's school council members.

Budding Author

Artur has found his calling as an author we think! At only six years old he has written this fantastic piece, all the elements of a first class story and lovely handwriting.



Once upon a time there was a fast beast, he was very fast indeed, and he liked nothing more than racing. One day he felt lots of energy inside of him so he decided to go for a race. Later that day, when he was racing, he forgot to shut the door so a thief snuck into his house! That night when he went into his room he found that all his money was gone! The next morning the beast went on a search for his money, he ran on high grassy hills and snowy mountains. After that he found an underground tunnel where eventually he found his money, and that is the end of the story.

More than just Hello!

The school office would like to politely request, that when you buzz on the main school gates, that you please tell us who are and why you are here. If we ask you who you are, please don't take offence, we may not recognise you straight away. Especially with the need for



hoods and umbrellas as the cold wet weather sets in.



BY THE WAY ARE YOU



Thank you SO much for your incredible generosity! We received a mountain of shoes from you - and to think we were worried we wouldn't have enough to donate! The Ambassadors did an excellent job in raising awareness of the issue, and I hope your closets are clearer as a result too!



Thank you for your continued support.
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Golden Book Awards! And this weeks winners are...



Emma & Leo —Mull, Mohammed & Jake —Skye, Erin & Leona —Guernsey, Alma & Niko —Jersey, Charlie & Polat —Y3, Alfie & Melode —Y4, Zara & Nilima —Y5, Tommy & Adam — Y6