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Dear Families

We have had a fantastic first week back after the half term break. I know many of the children had lots of fun on Halloween and we heard about all their scary costumes, so well done parents!

This week we have started the new lunchtime arrangements which means that our Year 1 and 2 children go to lunch at 12pm-1pm and our Year 3,4,5, and 6 go a little later at 12.30-1.30pm.

I'm really excited to be joining the Brecknock community for my first family support which takes place on 7th November. I hope lots of you will be able to attend.

Thank you to all the families who joined us for family breakfast this morning it will be taking place the first Friday of every month. Friday 6th December will our next breakfast!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend

Take care
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Poppies For Sale

The Royal British Legion remembers the First World War (1914-1918) as one of the most significant conflicts of the 20th century, with its impact still being felt today.

The school office will be selling poppies on their behalf.



Cold Weather

As you probably would have noticed, it is getting colder. Please remember to wrap up warm with a winter coat, hats, gloves and scarfs when appropriate.

Please remember it is a good idea to label all clothes that come into school.



Calendar

- **Thursday 7th November**
- Parent Sessions (pre-booked)
Welfare rights advice sessions.
- **Thursday 7th November**
- Family Supper. 17.00 - 19.00
- **Friday 8th November**
- Nursery and Reception's
Maths Open Morning

PARENTS EVENING

SAVE THE DATES!

Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th
November 2019 between 3.45 and
6.30pm. These meeting are for Parents
and your Brecknock child.
Letters will be coming home soon.

Attendance Winners

Well Done to Mull in KS1 for
having the highest attendance.
Well done to Sumatra and Tahiti
for both having the highest in KS2.
(for the week before half term)



Class	Total Attendance for last week	Total Lates Before Registers Close	% Unauthorised Absentees
Corsica	92%	4	5%
Cuba	92%	4	7%
Guernsey	93%	3	7%
Hawaii	96%	2	0%
Jamaica	97%	4	7%
Jersey	96%	2	0%
Lindisfarne	89%	4	4%
Lundy	98%	1	0%
Madagascar	93%	6	4%
Mull	97%	2	0%
Sicily	91%	6	11%
Skye	94%	6	0%
Sumatra	100%	6	0%
Tahiti	100%	2	0%

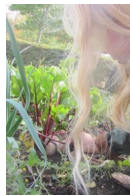
The Shaw Theatre

Before half term, Years 3 and 4 walked down to The Shaw Theatre in Kings Cross. There they took part in The Children's Bookshow, presented by author Jessica Souhami. Hawaii even took part in a 1-to-1 workshop with Jessica!



First Friday Family Gardening

Henny would like to thank the families who came along to our first Friday of the month gardening at the school allotment. They all had a great time harvesting beetroot, cabbage and rocket and collecting seeds from overgrown lettuces. Everyone did a great job at tidying up and it is now tidier and snail free! Today from 3.45pm they will be planting broad beans and peas, which should be ready to harvest in the Spring.



Awful Egyptian Assembly

Hawaii Class did a great job at performing their class assembly just before half term. It was all about Ancient Egyptians.

Thank you to all the parent's who attended.



It's All A Drama

Year 3 are exploring the book Beowulf this term. They know that they will meet some gruesome monsters that prowl the moors shrieking and snarling. Here they are acting like those monsters.



Testing The Tents

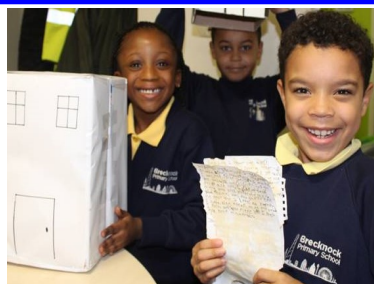
Year 2 have been testing different materials to see which are most suitable for building tents, as part of their Great Fire of London topic.

Which do you think would be suitable for a fire refuge?



Fantastic Home Learning

Year 2 have produced some fantastic home this week, for their homework. One house even had working street lights and was full of fun facts inside. One house had smoke coming out of the chimney too! We even had a copy of Samuel Pepy's diary with stained and burnt edges. Great work everyone.



Meet The Staff - Julie Forsythe



Julie is one of our current year 2 teachers, where she has been for the past 3 years, but started at Brecknock long before that. She has 2 daughters who are at secondary school and her favourite colour is black.

Although she loves Camden and has lived here for the past 25 years, she would choose to live in Northumberland and would explore all the beaches and the castles.

If at karaoke, she would be caught singing 'Delilah' by Tom Jones. Her favourite animals are lions. She collects jugs, but has no idea why(!) and considers Yorkshire to be a language of its own.

Stars Of The Week

Here are The Stars of the Week for KS1 and KS2.

Well done to you all!

What fantastic stars!



Family Supper - Thursday 7th November



Next Thursday is our annual Family Supper. For those of you that are new to the school, it is a wonderful opportunity for us all to get together: staff, parents and children.

We all bring a dish to share and we try and make enough food to cover at least the number of people we are bringing.

Then we eat and chat and enjoy music.

You won't want to miss it – Thursday 7th November from 5pm till 7pm, see you there!



Winter and Christmas Festival

Brecknock Parents and Carers -
WE NEED YOU

The Winter and Christmas Fair is on Friday 13th December and we are currently in need of some extra parents/carers to help out in any way they can. Whether it's baking cakes or helping to run a stall - we need help in any way.

We ask if anyone is able to make a Christmas cake for the guess the weight of the cake competition. Unfortunately the fabulous Jill, who has made us cakes for many years can't do it this year. So we are looking for someone else to step in.

Please sign up at the school office. We will also be accepting donations for the Tombola, Raffle Prizes and cakes/food for the cake sale. Thank You!

Missing Scooters

Two scooters have recently gone from the scooter park. We believe these may have mistakenly been taken, in which case please could they be returned immediately. One was a pink micro scooter with orange brakes and a black handle. The other was a silver micro scooter with a bright blue bell.