







NEWSLETTER

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Black History in Pictures...

Following a very successful Black History Season, the children from the Caterpillars to Year 6 have expressed their learning creatively in a series of displays in the middle hall. These striking, informative and exciting pieces of work, tell the stories of Black British Hero's. Many thanks to the children and staff for the inspiring displays that brighten up our learning in the school.











The Golden Lock

Each week the year 5 Bike It crew are putting a 'Golden Lock' around a bike or scooter parked at school to try and encourage children to use active travel. The lucky child who finds the golden lock

on their bike or scooter will office receive a PRIZE! There are lots of exciting prizes like snap bands, bicycle bells and bags. We are so thrilled that children are opting to scoot or cycle to school!

The final leg ...

This week we learnt about Advent in assembly and have been enjoying our very special Wellbeing Advent Calendar. Tuesday was a funny, jokey day and we shared acts of kindness on Wednesday. Today we cheered ourselves up with children's amazing endeavours in Star of the Week assembly. You can find the advent calendar attached to this newsletter so that you can enjoy it with your family.



Health

Brecknock children have shown an incredible effort in the Camden Race to Health, with active children logging an astonishing minutes of activity so far. The finish line is in sight as we enter the final sprint in the competition in 1st place with 117,412 active minutes logged! Torriano is chasing close behind in second place, with only a few minutes separating the schools. Both schools have wowed us

all with their passion and commitment. We await the results on Monday. Every minute counts until Sunday night so keep going this weekend!



Christmas Jumper Day and the Winter Street Fair

Next Friday 11th December we will be celebrating **Christmas**

Jumper Day with the silliest, most festive jumpers we can find. We will be collecting a £1 donation for the 2020 Save the Children fund. Be sustainable and creative by upcycling old jumpers with Christmas baubles or a Christmas message! This event aims to help children in need and make us warm and festive in preparation for the Torriano and Brecknock Winter Street Fair on 12th December. Raffle tickets were sent home on Thursday in book bags and need to be handed back in by next Friday. We have had lots of tickets come in today already — there are some fantastic prizes! Please see the details on page 8 of this newsletter.

We are getting into the festive spirit, busy rehearsing for a very special **Christmas concert.** Get ready for a fabulous chorus of Christmas favourites with musical accompaniment by our talented young musicians! The **Christmas performance will include children from early years to year 6 and will be available online for you and the family to enjoy!**

Have a lovely weekend, Helen

Telephone: 0207 485 6334



Friday 11th December
- Christmas Jumper Day

Saturday 12th December
- Winter Street Fair

Friday 18th December - END OF TERM

Monday 21st Dec - Friday 1st Jan 2021 - Christmas Holidays - school closed

Monday 4th January 2021
Start of Spring term - school reopens

Thursday 11th February 2021

Let's Recap!

After School Clubs:

If you have an interest in After-School clubs for the Spring term, please visit:

smartsurvey.co.uk/s/T1AFJ6

All clubs will be operated within Brecknock School and all children will be kept within their bubbles.

Winter Street Fair:

On Saturday 12th December will be hosting a Winter Street Fair, if you would like to sign up to take part or to help out, please email

brecknockpta@gmail.com

Wellbeing Tip of the Week -

Attitude for Gratitude

Finding time in your day to reflect on the things that you are grateful for, however small, can be good for your mental health. Try to think about 3 things that made you smile, that you appreciate or even acts of kindness that you noticed.

Research has shown that actively practicing gratitude can train the brain to pick up on positive thoughts and emotions more frequently, which helps to reduce anxiety and feelings of worry. You could try this as a personal exercise, or with family over dinner or with friends.



C19 - Health Champion

Camden and Islington Public Health are really keen to get more parents, particularly from Black, Asian and Ethnic Minority communities, as they play a vital role in getting the right messages out to residents in the right way.

If you are interested in taking part, please complete this registration form: https://survs.com/survey/7qzk99jupy

Once signed up, you will be invited to attend weekly drop-in sessions and will access to the most recent updates and resources on what is happening around Covid in Camden, including new testing sites, self-isolation payments and the new Covid vaccine.

If you know anyone else in the community who might be interested, please share with them.

This week in Nursery they have been learning about the special people that help us in our community. They have been focusing their learning around doctors. The children have loved having their own doctors surgery in the classroom this week and having the opportunity to use stethoscopes, otoscopes, syringes and bandages, taking on the role of being doctors.









Reception have been learning all about Sir Mo Farah this week, Britain's most successful track athlete in modern Olympic Games history. They have been learning about how much of a great sports person he is and then they held their very own sports race, where they got to show off their our skills.







Year 1 have been working hard on partitioning in Maths and on learning how to eat healthily and learning about the story of creation!









2Y have been drawing scenes from their class book, 'Lila and The Secret of Rain'. What a fantastic effort from them all. Well done 2Y.







Here are the photos of 3B doing their sedimentary rocks demo (they made sedimentary sandwiches). The granary bread represented mud with stones, brown bread represents dust, white bread represents sand, chocolate spread represented bones of animals and lettuce represented plants.





3Y have been writing letters to a logging company this week to persuade them not to cut down the trees in the Amazon Rainforest.



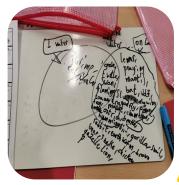


This week Year 4 have been learning about living things and their habitats. This week they learnt about Vern diagrams and how to classify animals into different groups.









Year 5 have been learning about the origins of the Olympics. They are in the process of writing an information sheet about them.

They have also made wreaths and Olympic torches to honour the games.



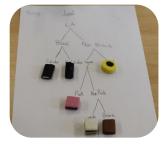




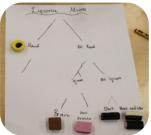


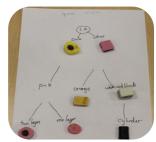
This week 6Y started their new science topic, 'Classifying living things'. As their entry point to the topic they were given some liquorice allsorts to sort out.

They looked at whether they were round, square, how many layers they had and their colour to decide how to classify them.











BREAKFAST PACKS

We are pleased to announce that we will be offering Breakfast Packs to families again next week. Each year bubble will have their own date to collect. This is to ensure safe social distancing from bubble to bubble.

Tuesday 8th: Butterflies, Caterpillars, 2B and 2Y

Wednesday 9th: RY, RB, 1Y and 1B Thursday 10th: 3Y, 3B, 4Y and 4B Friday 11th: 5Y, 5B, 6Y and 6B WESTIG WARVEST HOME CRISP RICE

OAT SIMPLE

Please bring some bags with you on your allocated day, to carry your items with you. We also have plenty of tins of beans if you would like some of them too! (all collections will take place at home time).





CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

We are pleased to announce that on Friday 11th December we will be having a Christmas Jumper Day, raising money for Save The Children.

Come to school wearing your best Christmas or winter jumper and donate £1.00 to this amazing charity.

There will be collect buckets on the school gates next Friday. Thank You



Here are our stars of the week!



































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Athlete and PE Stars of the Week

For those who have shown resilience and have put in all their effort into the Daily Mile and P.E. lessons.



THE GOLDEN LOCK!!!

The Golden Lock



The Year 5 Bike It Crew are working hard to try and promote active travel to and from school. Each week they will be putting the 'golden lock' on a random bike or scooter parked at school. If the golden lock is on your bike or scooter please go to the office to collect the key and retrieve your prize!

Children who walk to school everyday will also be eligible for prizes!

THE BIKE DOCTORS!!!

This Wednesday 9th December, Dr Bike will be coming to Brecknock! This is a great opportunity to being in bikes and get them serviced completely free of charge. This applies to both children's bikes and those of adults and carers too.

To get your bike serviced, all you have to do is bring it in and leave it at the entrance where you drop your child off at school.

It can then be picked up at lunchtime or at the end of the day.



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Join us for our Festive Street Fair!

We also have a great promotional video to share with you.

Please visit youtube.com/watch?v=FHYGyXyQxRQ to watch it.







Festive Street Fair



Saturday 12th December 12.00 - 3.00pm



Sponsored by Keatons



Bringing our community together!

Street Stalls...
Savoury & Baked Goods
Games & Crafting for all
Bric-a-brac & Toys
Seasonal gifts & Bargains
galore!

Raffle tickets on sale – draw to held on 14th Dec

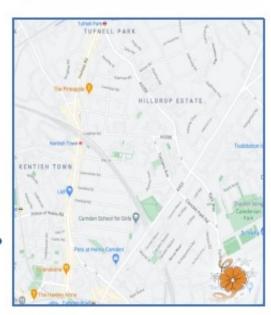
Meet others in the community & have a natter

Visit Santa Claus in St.Luke's Church Gardens



Scan the QR code above for full details on interactive Google Map or go to: bit.ly/tsbsmap





Grab lunch at one of our stalls and bring your own cups and food containers!

Donate at justgiving.com/campaign/FestiveStreetFair2020 or scan the QR code

here:









PLEASE PRACTISE SOCIAL DISTANCING AND STAY SAFE

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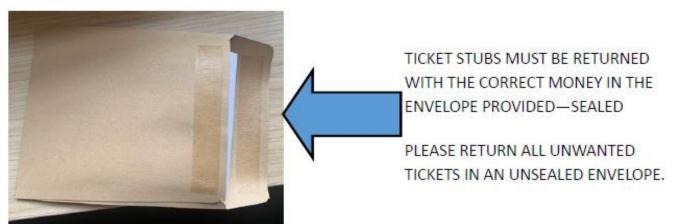
Torriano Primary School Parents Teachers Association Charity number: 1147798 & Brecknock Parents



Don't forget to return your raffle tickets stubs to the school office with the correct money by Friday 11th December.

If you do not wish to purchase the raffle tickets, please do not throw them away, please return them as you received them, to the school, then we can re-sell them to others.





There are plenty of brilliant prizes to be won!

£100 department store voucher
A case of Argentinian Wine
A Christmas Hamper
Lego and Playmobil sets

A bottle of Champagne 2x £25 vouchers Sainsbury's Vouchers plus lots more prizes!

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The climate crisis affects us all. Every week we will be offering a suggestion for a positive climate action you can take yourselves, as part of the bigger changes we need to make as a global community.

Action 4: Reduce your purchases of new clothes. Buy clothes from charity shops or websites such as loopster.co.uk, buildabundle.co.uk(both for children's clothes), thrift.plus, re-fashion.co.uk and depop.com. Donate your old clothes to charity, give them to friends and family or organise a clothes swap!





The fashion industry is responsible for 10 % of annual global carbon emissions, more than all international flights and maritime shipping combined. A large number of chemicals are used to produce new clothes causing harm to those working in clothing factories and polluting the local rivers and streams. As well as being good for the planet, buying second-hand clothes is good for your bank balance too!

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Stay active with Sustrans



Week 3: Amazing journeys!

The Challenge

Make a short video or collage about your journey to and from school!!!

How to stand out

We're looking for things about your journey that make it special. Cool things that you notice on the buildings, your favourite parts of the park you pass through, meeting your friends on the way to school. Anything!

How to enter

- Collect A3 paper from your teacher or ask your parents to help film your journey.
- Upload your video or take a picture of the collage and send it to your school champion Henny, h.wedmore@brecknock.Camden.sch.uk or your class teacher

Deadline

Have your video or collage ready by next Wednesday to be in with a chance of a prize!

What happens if I win?

- · Your school champion will announce the winner next Thursday
- · You will be awarded with a prize later in the week.

What happens if I don't win?

- There's still a chance your entry will appear on our Twitter page. We will be putting some of our favourites up after the winner has been announced, so keep your eyes peeled!
- This is a weekly challenge so there will be plenty of opportunities to take part again. Look out for our next challenge which will be announced on next Wednesday.

DID YOU KNOW...

Some kids have to cross gushing rivers and climb mountains to get to school (and then ski down the other side) !!!





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