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Value of the month: Responsibility

RRS - Article 19: You should not be harmed and you should be looked after and kept safe

Dear all,

It has been a busy half term and I am pleased to see how much the children have been enjoying their Science and Technology led topic 'Paws, Jaws and Claws.' As we look ahead, the first week back after half term will be Welsh week, packed with plenty of fun Welsh activities. The week will end with a celebration event and we will be joined by Bridgend Male Choir. On Friday 7th March, the children will be able to come to school in their Welsh costumes, Welsh sports kit or their house colours (Yrs 1-6). The house colours are: Caldey - white; Lundy - yellow; Ramsey - blue and Skomer - red.

Thank you for your continued help during the last seven weeks in supporting your children with their home learning, attending the family engagement events and completing surveys. Please check this newsletter for details of events coming up as there is a lot planned for Spring B. Enjoy half term and look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 3rd March.

Help Needed

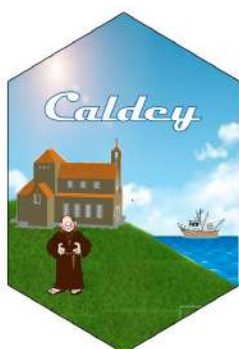
Last week, I mentioned that we had been successful in obtaining a grant from Brackla Community Council. We are looking to add perspex to one of our gazebos to make it more enclosed so that we can use it in all weathers. If you are a carpenter/tradesperson and think you would be able to volunteer your time, we would love to hear from you. If you are interested, please get in touch with the school office. Thank you.

Headteacher Awards

Well done to the following children on being nominated for a Headteacher Award this week. They have worked well in demonstrating the monthly value and right. Well done to: [Adam Halbert](#), [Iwan Madbouly](#), [Georgie Lavercombe](#), [Ella Abbott](#), [Harri Nixon](#), [Penny Still](#), [Charley Allen](#), [Kaito Langmaid](#), [Connor Rees](#), [Kheelan Rees](#), [Agata Zygmunt](#).



House Points Winner this week:



**600
Points**



**597
Points**



**565
Points**



**549
Points**

Attendance

Each week class attendance is celebrated in assembly and this term, we will be awarding a trophy to the class with the highest attendance. The winning class will also get an additional 5 minutes playtime on Monday. Take a look below to see how your child's class did this week:

Nursery (Mrs Whelan)	93.42%
Reception (Mrs Driscoll)	90.36%
Reception/Year 1 (Mrs Martin)	86.90%
1D (Mrs Delgado)	97%
2H (Miss Helm)	90.34%
2/3P (Ms Pavitt)	92.33%
3/4M (Mr M ^o Namara)	97.59%
4B (Mrs Bartle)	92.76%
4/5H (Mrs Hayter)	96.90%
5/6S (Mrs Stephens)	94.33%
6S (Mr Still)	98%



Birthdays this week

On behalf of all the children and staff at Brackla Primary School **Happy Birthday** to:

Rae Muckell, Ava Rowsell-Edwards, Armaan Mohamed Ihsanullah, Olivia Allen, Ronnie Chivers,

Birthdays during half term: Charley Allen, Sasha Movchan, Reuben Sanders, Raffy Summers, Tudor Moldovan, Abigail Payne, Luca-Jay Garner-Ponting.



What's On Spring Term B

Please take a look below at what is coming up till the end of Spring Term B.

Date	Event	Additional details
21st February	Break up for half term	
3rd March	Back to school	
W/B 3rd March	Welsh week	
7th March	Welsh Super BOOST day (fun packed day of Welsh events).	Children can wear Welsh costumes/Welsh sports kit/house colours to school. Caldey - white Lundy - yellow Skomer - red Ramsey - blue
11th March	Year 1 Audio screening	School nurse (am)
21st March	Comic Relief	Wear red to school
31st March	INSET day	
W/b 31st March	Parent/carer meeting week	Details to follow
W/b 7th April	Parent/carer meeting week	Details to follow
3rd April	Rec & R/Y1 trip to Cefn Mably farm park	
11th April	Last day in school	Break up for Easter holidays

INSET Dates for 2024-2025

We have 4 more INSET days this year:

Monday 31st March
Thursday 22nd May
Friday 23rd May
Monday 21st July

Ar y fferm gyda R/Y1 - written by Mrs Martin

Reception/Year 1 have had a fantastic 2 weeks learning all about animals that live on a farm. We have used Julia Donaldson books 'What the Ladybird heard' and 'What the Ladybird heard next' as our inspiration for life on the farm. Julia Donaldson also inspired our language and topic sessions, with the children writing their very own rhyming farm tales and carrying out science experiments on different materials to make the perfect coat for The Fine Prize Cow. Have a fantastic half term break and remember to look out for Hefty Hugh and Lanky Len and make sure they don't steal The Fat Red Hen!



1D Making sandwich boxes - written by Mrs Delgado

This week we read the book 'The Disgusting Sandwich'. We looked at the 3D shape of a sandwich box and how it was made from a flat shape called a net. Then we decorated our nets and practised our fine motor skills cutting out, folding and sticking to make our own disgusting sandwich boxes. In language lessons we had made and then written instructions for making a jam sandwich so we filled our completed boxes with not-so-disgusting real sandwiches to take home. Delicious!



Circuits - written by Ms Pavitt

This week was the last of our circuits after-school club. It was a very well-attended club with children from years 3 to 6. Each week they would suggest a range of exercises that would ensure a full-body workout. We have had shoulder taps, duck walks, tricep dips, leg raises, push-ups and, of course, a nice little jog around the playground. Well done to everyone who came and made a real effort to improve their fitness; the final session really did show how hard you have worked.



VR headset experience - written by Miss Williams

On Thursday pupils in Years 2H and 2/3P were given an exciting opportunity to use VR headsets provided by Swansea University. The children explored the rainforest, hot and cold deserts and the ocean which links to their Paws, Jaws and Claws Topic where they have been learning about these different habitats. Year 2H and 2/3P loved exploring these places around the world and being amongst the sights and sounds of each location. Thank you to Swansea University for giving the children this opportunity and to Years 2H and 2/3P for your enthusiasm and brilliant behaviour. Have a lovely half term!



Gardening News - written by Mrs Whelan

Look at these beautiful little tete a tete daffodils. Pupils planted these in the Autumn and now they brighten up our school entrance. At last the first signs that Spring is coming! Happy half term everyone.



Upcoming events - written by Mrs Kelland

We want to give you plenty of notice for upcoming events so make sure you jot them down in your diary. More details of the events will follow as well as new events so keep a look out.. You can now sign up for Kelland's Kahoot Quiz and Easter Eggstravaganza.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Upcoming Events

April-May 2025

APRIL 3 6-7:30PM	Kelland's Kahoot Quiz (Adults only) Line up a babysitter, form a team of no more than 8 people with other parents/grandparents from the school and get your game face on. There's a prize to be won! Free event with nibbles! Sign up now!!
APRIL 10 3.15-4.30PM	Easter Eggstravaganza Join Mrs Kelland after school with your whole family for Easter crafts, games and even an Easter egg hunt. It's going to be eggcellent!! Sign up now!!
MAY 2	Wild Adventures Join Mr Williams and Mrs Kelland for a fun adventure down The Wild with your family. More details to follow. Sign up required.

→ FAMILYENGAGEMENT@BRACKLAPRIMARY.CO.UK MRS KELLAND

Welsh Week Celebrations

3rd March » 7th March



Brackla Primary School will be celebrating all things that makes Wales such a special place to live and grow up.



Our wonderful Welsh week will conclude on Friday with a Welsh celebration assembly and Super Bwst, with fun Welsh activities for all classes.

Children are invited to wear Welsh costumes, Welsh sports kit or house colours on Friday 7th March.



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BOX OF BOOKS

To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 6th March, we will be having a Box of Books Swap. Bring a preloved book to school and swap it with one from the class Box of Books.

DONATIONS



WE ARE COLLECTING ANY WELSH COSTUMES, RUGBY TOPS & NATIVITY COSTUMES. PLEASE DROP THEM INTO THE OFFICE

NATIVITY

Outfits

