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Value of the month: Confidence

RRS - Article 7: Your right to a name and nationality

Dear all,

In this week's newsletter, you can read about some of the activities the children participated in for Super Bwst last Friday. The day began with the whole school getting together to sing some Welsh songs. We were also joined by the Bridgend Male Voice Choir who entertained us with a range of Welsh songs.



The winners of the Welsh home learning activity were also announced. The children were asked to produce a creative piece of work to demonstrate a contemporary Wales. Thank you to everyone that entered and to the Criw Cymraeg who had the difficult job of choosing the winners. One winner was chosen from each Progression Step and entries included a model, piece of artwork and a poem. Well done to Miles, Reuben and Charis who each received a £10 voucher.



Our winners



Our Criw Cymraeg

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: [Bruno Still](#), [Finn Hope-Woodroffe](#), [Rae Muckell](#), [Jasmine Tucker](#), [Aisha Jaiteh](#), [Finley Martin](#), [Eric Low](#), [Kobey Rees](#), [Enzo Corona](#), [Henry Jones](#), [Dylan Sokolowski](#).



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)	90.93%
Reception (Mrs Driscoll)	95.93%
Reception/Year 1 (Mrs Martin)	86.07%
1D (Mrs Delgado)	95%
2H (Miss Helm)	94.83%
2/3P (Ms Pavitt)	93.45%
3/4M (Mr M ^c Namara)	97.93%
4B (Mrs Bartle)	92.76%
4/5H (Mrs Hayter)	97.24%
5/6S (Mrs Stephens)	93%
6S (Mr Still)	98.33%



Birthdays this week

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

[Katie Smith](#), [Finn Sullivan](#), [Maya Ferreira](#), [Ciaran Robinson](#), [Michael Smith](#), [Ollie Lewis](#).



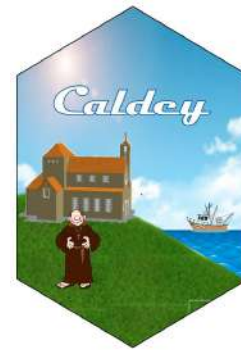
House Points Winner this week:



**565
Points**



**549
Points**



**545
Points**



**520
Points**

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 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

Nursery - written by Mrs Whelan

Spring is definitely here in nursery with the arrival of 10 living eggs. Everyone is very 'eggcited'. The children have been watching carefully to see the first crack and live hatching. We are very pleased to announce we have 10 healthy chicks.

LIVING EGGS



Welsh Week - written by Charlotte Burton (Criw Cymraeg)

On Friday, as a school we came together and had a Welsh celebration assembly where we sang Welsh songs, announced the winners of the Contemporary Wales competition, and were joined by the Bridgend Male Voice Choir. As a Criw we were pleased to announce the winners for the competition, PS1 was Miles Davies, PS2 was Reuben Lewis and PS3 was Charis Ezeemo! All homework was based around a contemporary vision of Wales, we were all impressed by the outcome of the homework. Da iawn Pawb!

In the afternoon, we had Super Bwst to celebrate our Welsh week in our classes. Everyone had fun using the Welsh language and showing our creativity with Welsh crafts. We had such a great time. Here are some Super Bwst photos from the different classes.



Nursery had a super day. We wore traditional welsh costumes and tasted welshcakes and welsh milk.



Tasting Welshcakes



Nursery



Welsh flags



Wythnos Cymraeg



Daffodils



Reception

Reception had a great Super Bwst. We drew and created castle pictures like the Welsh artist Rhiannon Roberts, went on a daffodil hunt, painted daffodils and named animals in Welsh.

Daffodil Walk



We took photographs of daffodils in our school and worked together to create a daffodil pic collage.



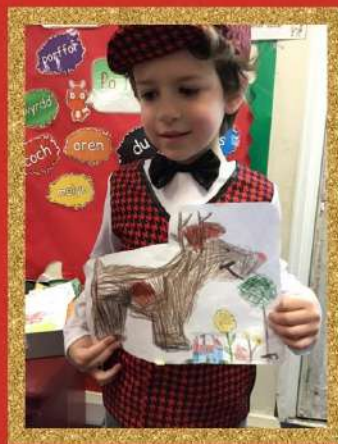
Reception



RHIANNON ROBERTS



We drew colourful
castles like the
Welsh artist
Rhiannon Roberts

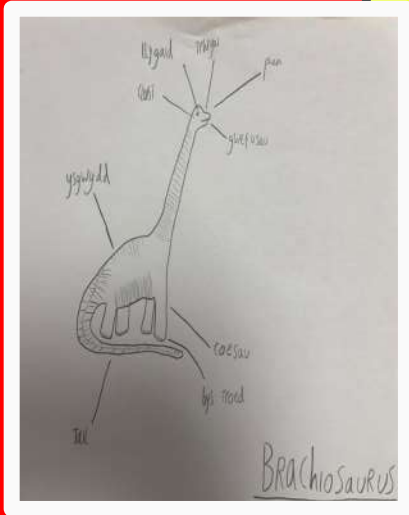


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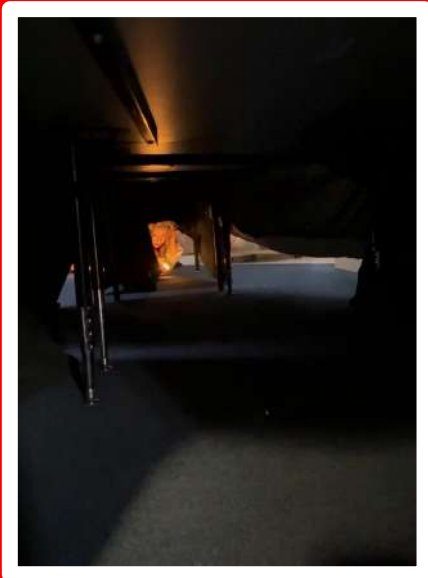
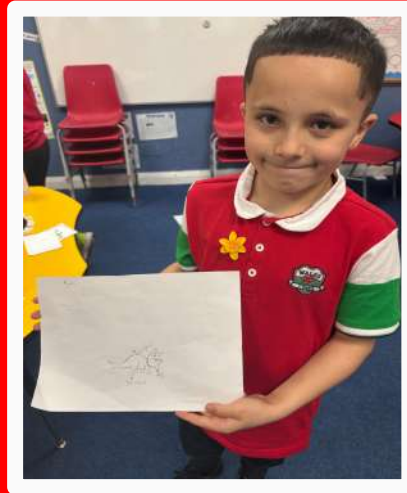
In R/Y1 we made 3D daffodils, went on a hunt for Welsh Animals and asked them who they were, where they lived, and played bingo Iliwiau a rhifau.



Welsh Super Bwst



Progression Step 3



One of 2H and 2/3P's Super Bwst activities was learning about the Island Farm camp and the escape 80 years ago. We then played a tunnel quiz relay- digging for correct answers.



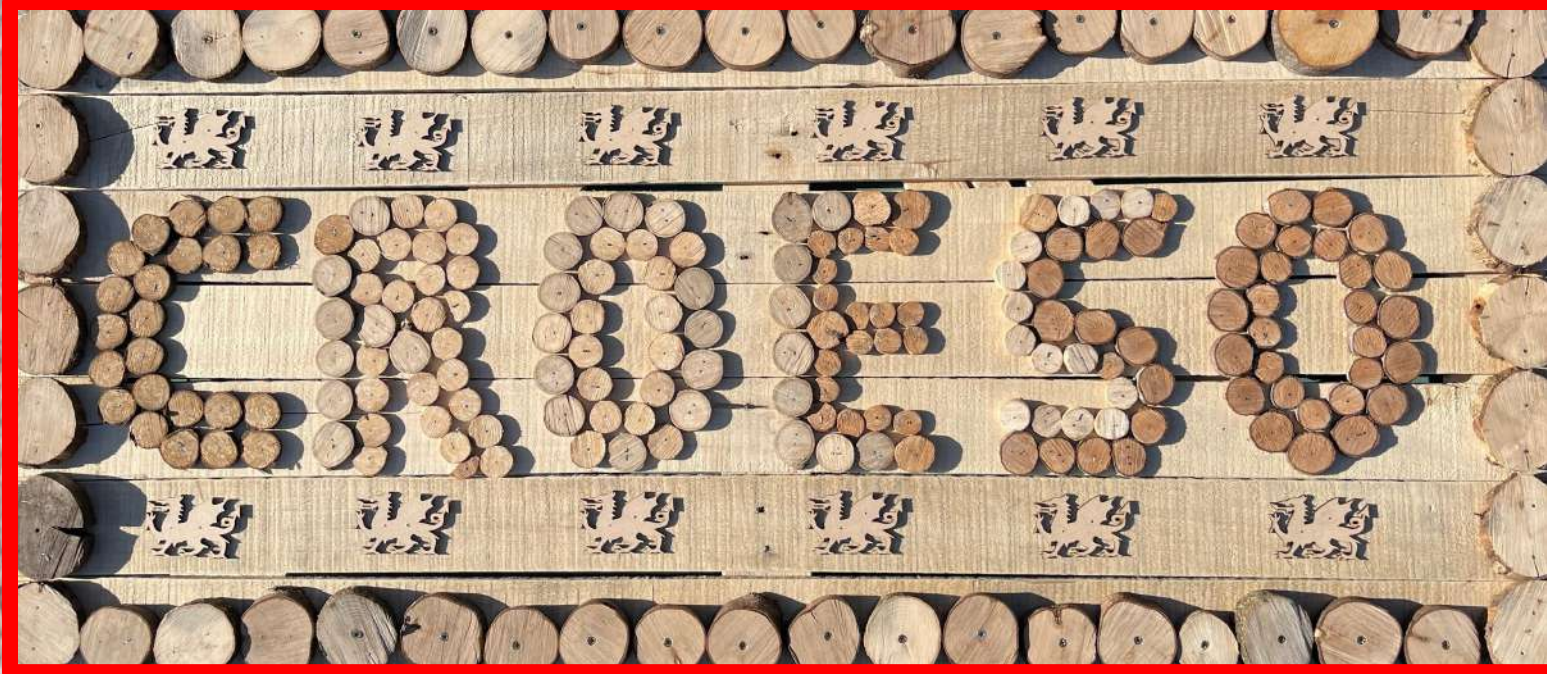


School football team trials - written by Mr Still

We had a great turn out for the school football team trials this week with approximately 50 children attending! On behalf of myself, Mr Williams and Mr McNamara, it was an absolute pleasure to see this interest in the sport and see the children enjoy themselves.

Due to staffing, only a certain amount can be chosen and we have said in school to the children that we appreciate that some may be disappointed and we hope that it does not discourage them from future opportunities in the sport. We look forward to seeing many children enjoying football and continuing to learn how to play as a team on the school fields in the coming warmer months.





Project Croeso - written By Mr Williams

Back in the Autumn Term, Criw Cymraeg approached OutdoorLearning@BPS about collaborating on a whole school project that would go towards obtaining our Siarter Iaith Silver award. With the challenge accepted we agreed that Welsh Week was the perfect time to start the task at hand...Project Croeso was born!

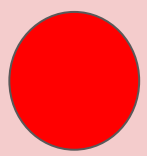
5 types of wood, 4 collaborative groups, 3 main objectives, 2 weeks, 1 school, we set to work! The children used all the hand tools that Brackla Primary had at their disposal and every bit of expertise and knowledge they had gained from Design & Technology and Outdoor Learning Lessons. The result, well, see for yourself...

Hapus Ynghyd Dysgu O Hyd!









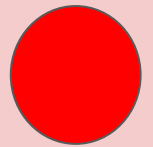
Comic Relief

Wear something **red** to school and help raise money for Comic

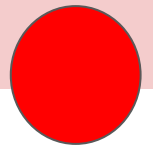
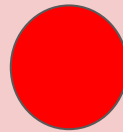


Relief

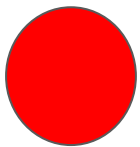
Friday March 21st



If you wish to make a donation please send in some money or donate on the SchoolComms Link



**RED
NOSE
DAY**



FRIDAY 21 MARCH

Volunteers Needed- Written by Mrs Kelland (Family engagement officer)

Last week, we reached out for volunteers to support our school community. We're building a list of parents and carers willing to volunteer their time and skills to support our school. There are many ways you can help, whether it's for a few hours or a full day- some examples include assisting with fairs, outdoor painting, garden maintenance- the list is endless! If you'd like to be added to the list, please get in touch. We'll reach out when specific needs arise to see if you can help. Your support is greatly appreciated.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!
WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Specific help needed for outdoor painting and garden maintenance, however as a school there are always a variety of ways that you can volunteer and support us. Please get in touch if this is something you'd be interested in.

familyengagement@bracklaprimary.co.uk

GET IN TOUCH



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 lookout.. The Easter Eggstravaganza events are now **fully booked**. Keep checking your emails because soon you'll receive more information about the Wild Adventures and more events coming up!

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 7 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!! FULLY BOOKED
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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 and you'll receive an email when sign up is open.
MAY 9	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 and you'll receive an email when sign up is open.

Wellbeing Update

Last week we suggested a few calming techniques when you or your child may be dysregulated. Here are a few more to try...

Calm Down Strategies for Kids

Pathway 2 SUCCESS



Color or draw



Think happy thoughts



Take deep breaths



Talk to someone



Make a list of choices



Set the timer and take a break



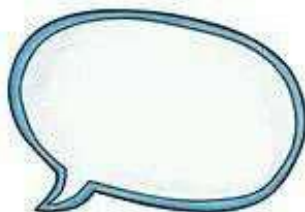
Read



Think of a pet



Look at photos



Use positive self-talk



Take a walk or exercise



Write in a journal

www.thepathway2success.com

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Safeguarding at Brackla Primary School

The Safeguarding leads at the school are Mrs Baldridge, Mrs John and Mr Still. If you are concerned about any child please come and speak with either of us at school or ring on 01656 815570. If you feel a child is at immediate risk of harm or danger ring 999.