



Brackla Primary School

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Value of the month: Confidence

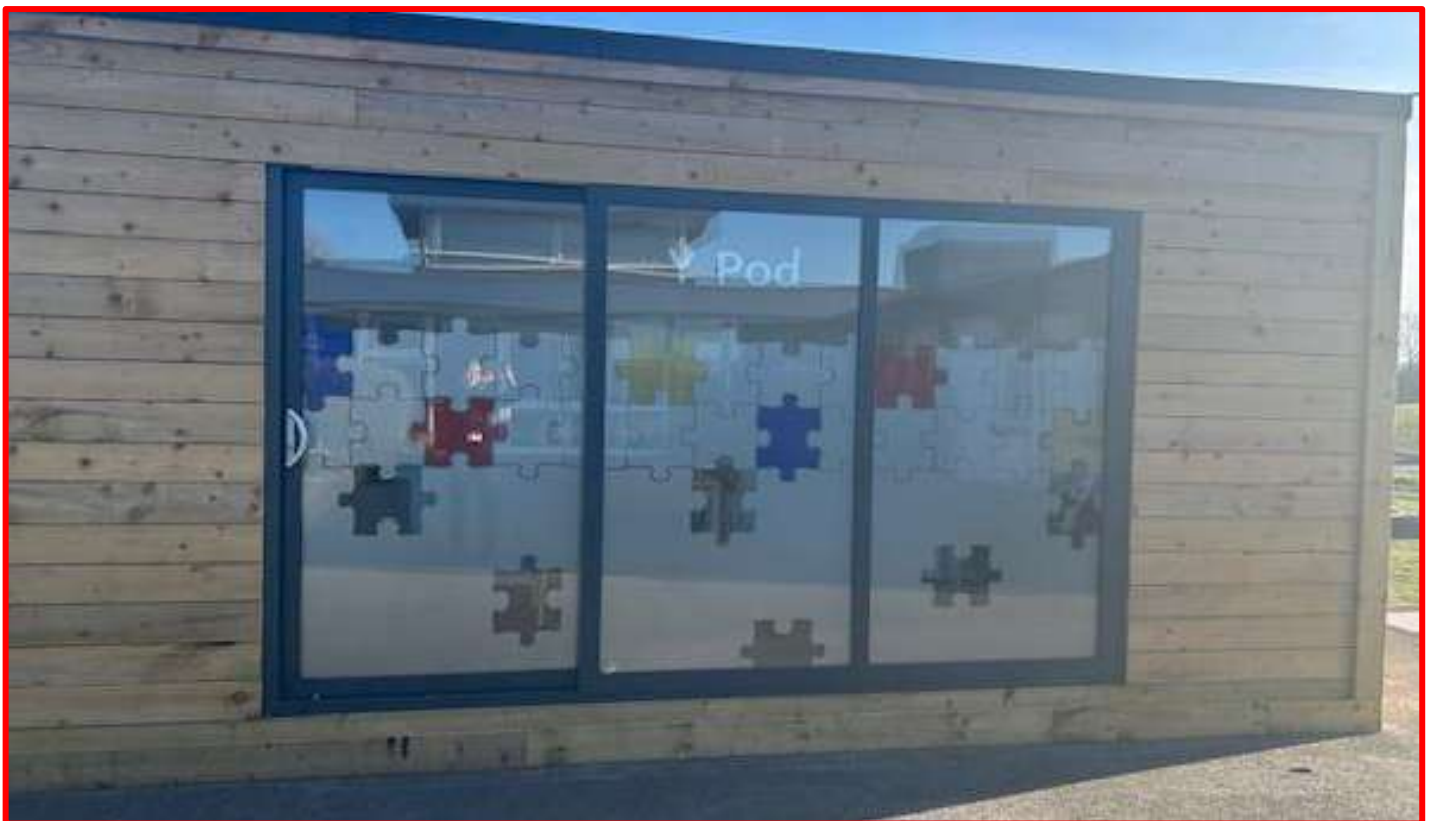
RRS - Article 7: Your right to a name and nationality



Dear all,

I am pleased to announce that we have appointed a member of staff to replace Mrs Bartle when she goes on maternity leave. Mrs Bartle will be finishing at Easter, and Miss Lynch will be taking over. Miss Lynch will be spending some time in school over the next few weeks getting to know the children and our school.

Last Friday, we had a new addition to our Pod. Mrs Kelland is available in the Pod on Mondays and Thursdays at the start of each day, so please call in with any queries you have. We also have a range of school uniform available from outside the Pod, which you can help yourself to.



Volunteers Needed

We have recently been successful in obtaining a grant to enhance our outdoor learning provision in nursery. We are looking for a few volunteers to help get some of the groundworks completed. So if you are able to spare a few hours to help prepare the ground and lay some bark, please call into the office.

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: Coral Goule, Lucca-Hywel Griffiths, Raffy Summers, Henry Evans, Romaysa El Maniri, Tillie O'Donnell, Anaf Mohamed Ihsanullah, Daniel Guz, Finley McVeigh, Cohen Stanford, Colin Drozdowski.



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)	89.42%
Reception (Mrs Driscoll)	93.33%
Reception/Year 1 (Mrs Martin)	84.29%
1D (Mrs Delgado)	83.33%
2H (Miss Helm)	98.62%
2/3P (Ms Pavitt)	96.55%
3/4M (Mr M ^c Namara)	93.45%
4B (Mrs Bartle)	98.62%
4/5H (Mrs Hayter)	98.28%
5/6S (Mrs Stephens)	94.67%
6S (Mr Still)	99.67%



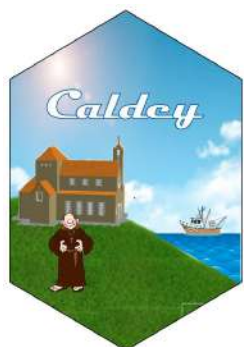
Birthdays this week

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

Logan Davies, Edith Lewis, Esme Allin, Leo Price, Camelia Mangu, Wyatt Parry.



House Points Winner this week:



**620
Points**



**609
Points**



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Comic Relief

Today we celebrated Comic Relief - Red Nose Day by wearing something red to school. Thank you very much for your donations towards this charity. I am pleased to say we have raised a total of **£229.40**.



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
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

It has been an eggcellent week in Nursery. The children have really enjoyed taking care of our 10 chicks. They can talk about the lifecycle of a chicken and use specific vocabulary such as 'hatch' and 'incubator'. They have all had the opportunity to hold a chick and help clean out the 'brooder box'. They make sure the chicks have food and water every day. On Thursday we took the chicks to Mrs Martin's class and answered lots of questions about them. The chicks now have their first feathers and will return to the Big Barn on Friday.



Religion, Values and Ethics in 2H and 2/3P - written by Miss Helm

2H and 2/3P have thoroughly enjoyed exploring the faiths of Christianity and Judaism this week. They have observed similarities and differences, created inquiry questions and made observations whilst examining artefacts as well as generating ideas for their future learning.





Strictly Brackla BOOST - written by Mrs Robinson

The first few months of the year can sometimes be a little cold and grey, but 4/5H, 5/6S and 6S have well and truly brought the sparkle to Brackla Primary during their Strictly Brackla Boost sessions! Over the past couple of months we have looked at many different dance styles, starting with the Samba, Salsa and Cha Cha Cha. After learning about the origins of these styles and learning some basic moves we choreographed our own routine to 'Murder on the Dancefloor'. We then moved on to discuss dance styles through the ages, from the Charleston of the 1920s, through to the high-energy 'Jive' of the wartime years, right up to the iconic dance moves that continue to inspire dance routines today. We ended on a fab-u-lous note with the lights and disco ball to brighten our dancefloor. Well done everyone, and keeeeeeeep dancing!

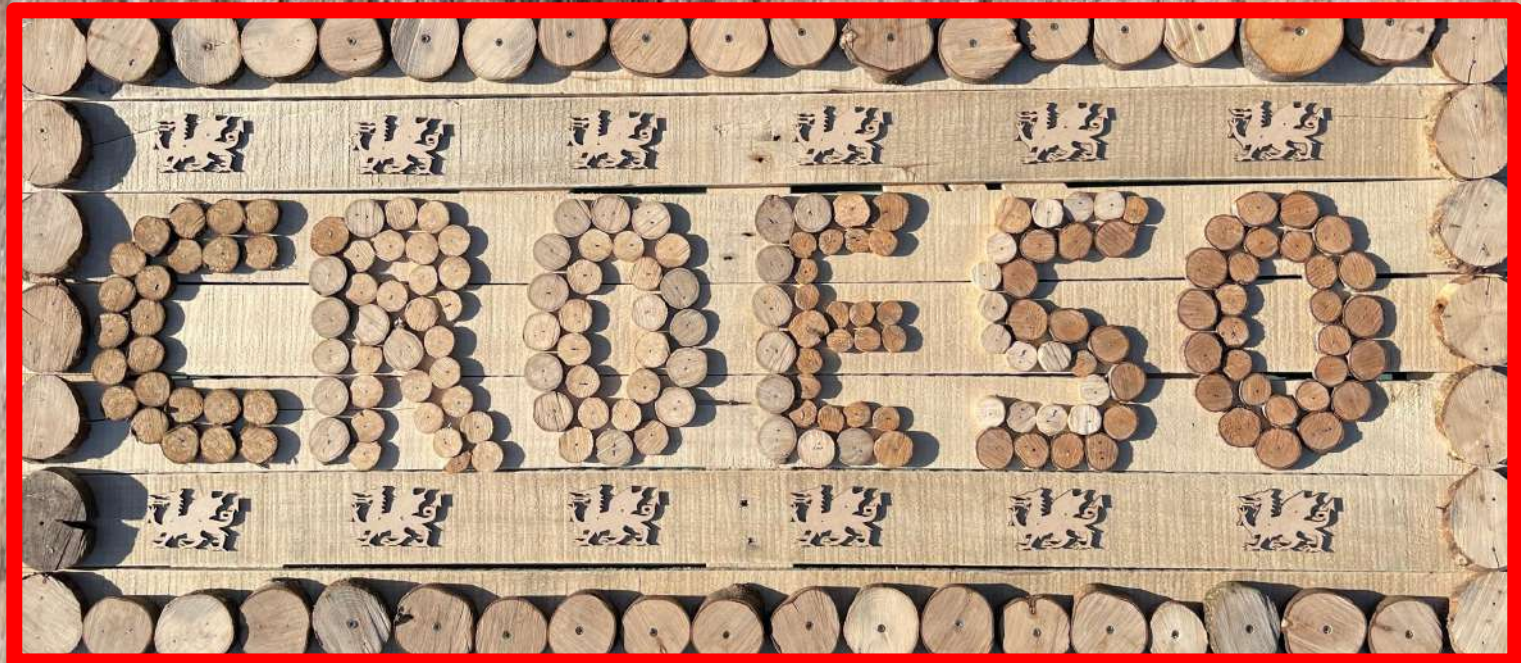


Criw Cymraeg - OutdoorLearning@BPS - Written by Mr Williams

As you may have seen in last week's newsletter (Bulletin 515), OutdoorLearning@BPS collaborated with Criw Cymraeg on a whole school project to create 'Project Croeso' a sign constructed using natural materials to be placed on the front of our school building as part of the criteria for obtaining our Siarter Iaith Silver Award.

The Criw visited some of the children from our schools lunchtime club (The Brackla Wardens) to discuss their experiences and highlights of the project and to take collection of the finished masterpiece.

Hapus Ynghyd Dysgu O Hyd!



Wellbeing Update

Children, young people and their families sometimes need a little extra help and support to have happy, healthy and successful lives. The **Early Help** Team can bring the right people together to help you and your family.

<https://padlet.com/earlyhelp1/early-help-teams-szqm393kmurnyp3r>

Some areas they are able to support you with are:

- Parenting
- Mental health & emotional wellbeing
- Managing challenging behaviour (0-25)
- Domestic violence
- Benefits/debt management
- Disability support
- Employment
- Support for young carers
- Play therapy



Scan the QR code for more information.



You can refer yourself or pop in to chat with Mrs Kelland at The Pod or in the Office who can support you with this



Safeguarding at Brackla Primary School

The Safeguarding leads at the school are Mrs Baldrige, 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.

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.

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