



# Brackla Primary School

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## **Brackla Bulletin 539 (07.11.25)**

**Value of the month: Kindness**

**RRS - Article 12: Your right to say what you think should happen and be listened to**

Dear all,

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable half term break. As we head into the final stretch of the autumn term, it is set to be a busy few weeks, so please keep an eye out for key dates and updates – there is lots happening over the next six weeks that we don't want you or your child to miss.

Thank you to all families who have already attended the recent parent/carer meetings – your attendance is appreciated. For those with meetings still to come, the remaining sessions will take place next week, with 3/4M scheduled for Tuesday 26th November.

### **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: [Harri Belmont](#), [Josiah Thomas](#), [Olivia Allen](#), [Cooper Phillips](#), [Edward Hamel](#), [Aston Cheung](#), [Coco Jones](#), [Bethan Badman](#), [Oliver Richards](#), [Isla Evans](#) and [Harrison Colbridge](#).



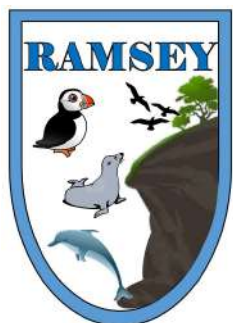
### **Birthdays this week**

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

[Hallie Latham](#), [Beatrix Porch](#), [Harry Blank](#), [Rogan Goule](#).



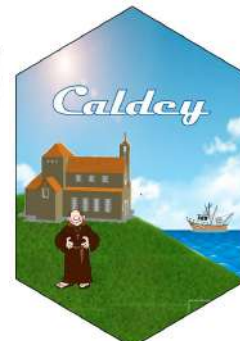
## **House Points Winner this week:**



**427  
Points**



**415  
Points**



**408  
Points**



**403  
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/Reception (Mrs Whelan)	90.51%
Reception (Mrs Driscoll)	91.25%
Reception/Year 1 (Mrs Ellis)	95%
1/2D (Mrs Delgado)	95.97%
2H (Miss Helm)	96.67%
3P (Ms Pavitt)	89.29%
3/4M (Mr M <sup>c</sup> Namara)	92.59%
4D (Miss Dawson)	98%
5S (Mrs Stephens)	98.66%
5/6H (Mrs Hayter)	92.41%
6S (Mr Still)	99.14%



## INSET Dates

The INSET dates for this year are as follows:

Monday 23rd February  
Thursday 21st May  
Friday 22nd May  
Monday 20th July

## Children In Need 2025 Friday November 14th

We're thrilled to be taking part in a fun-filled day to support Children in Need! To help us celebrate, please help your child to come to school dressed in something **spotty or yellow**.

Donations are welcome either in **cash**, handed to your child's teacher, or **online** through the **School Gateway app** from Monday 10th November.


Let's come together to make a difference while having a fund day at school!

Thank you!



# Christmas @ BPS

Dec 3 <sup>rd</sup> 10 a.m.	Mrs Whelan's N/Rec concert
Dec 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2 p.m.	Year 1 concert
Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> 10 a.m.	Reception concert
Dec 5 <sup>th</sup> a.m.	Odeon trip Years 1 -6 (bring a bag of sweets/crisps & a drink)
Dec 8th	Nursery and Reception Clumsiest Christmas Elf show in school
Dec 12 <sup>th</sup> 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Christmas Fayre
Dec 15 <sup>th</sup> Christmas discos	Rec, Y1, Y2 3.15p.m. - 4p.m. Years 3, 4, 5, 6 4.15 p.m. - 5.15 p.m.
Dec 17th	Christmas dinner and jumper day
Dec 18 <sup>th</sup>	Santa due to visit and class parties - (bring you own plate of food)



# Christmas Fayre

If you would like to hold your own stall in the Christmas Fayre the cost is £10 per table. Please call into the office to reserve a table.  
Thank you

## What's On Autumn Term

Please take a look below at what is coming up till the end of November. These dates will be added to as the term goes on, so please keep checking.

Date	Event	Additional details
Monday 10th November	Parent/carer meetings	5/6HJ
Monday 10th November	Flu vaccine	
Tuesday 11th November	Parent/carer meetings	6S and 4D
Friday 14th November	Children in Need	Wear something spotty or yellow
Wednesday 26th November	Parent/carer meetings	3/4M
Thursday 27th November	Family wreath making workshop	9am - 10.30am

# Wellbeing Update

 NHS Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board

## MENS Mental health

### #ITSOKAYTOTALK

**Lets talk men's mental health**

We provide support for those who want to talk. We aren't saying this will be the answer for everyone but we are asking you give it a try, there is 'No Pressure, No Judgement, No Stigma'.

**Men's sheds**

Due to life challenges men can become socially isolated or lonely. The inclusive ethos we promote offers 'Shedders' a sense of belonging, acceptance and fellowship through shared activities.

**Andys man club**

We run talking groups for men who want to meet a good group of people with the aim of improving one another. No referral, no registration and no charge. Even the brew and biscuits are free!

**Man V Fat Football**

If you're a man that wants to lose weight, grow your social circle and improve your wellbeing, MAN v FAT is behind you all the way. All the information, support and tools you need to improve your health.

### MANKIND INITIATIVE

Our confidential helpline is available for male victims of domestic abuse and domestic violence across the UK as well as their friends, family, neighbours, work colleagues and employers. This can range from physical violence or object throwing to abuse such as constant bullying or insults.

0808 800 1170 FREEPHONE (will not show on your bills)  
01823 334 244 HELPLINE (for those with inclusive minutes)

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In Pressure, No Judgment, No Stigma



**MEN'S SHEDS CYMRU**



**ANDYS MAN CLUB**



**MAN v FAT**



**ManKind Initiative**



**Shine**  
Lic-tools reach Emotional

### 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.

## Upcoming events

We've got a fabulous mix of family engagement events coming your way - some during the day, some after school, and even a few in the evening, so there's something for everyone. Make sure you check your messages and emails for all the exciting details coming soon!



**FAMILY ENGAGEMENT**  
**Upcoming Events**  
**November-December**  
**2025**

<b>THURS</b> <b>27<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>NOV</b>	<b>Wreath making: 9am-11am</b> Adults only and cost involved- limited numbers. Sign up via the school gateway app.
<b>THURS</b> <b>4<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>DEC</b>	<b>Festive Fun: 3.15pm-4.30pm</b> After school event for families. More details coming soon.
<b>TUES</b> <b>9<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>DEC</b>	<b>Festive Fun: 3.15pm-4.30pm</b> After school event for families. More details coming soon.
<b>WED</b> <b>17<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>DEC</b>	<b>BPS Quizmas Cracker- 7pm-8.30pm</b> Evening event for adults only full of festive cheer and fun. Sign up by emailing Mrs Kelland on <a href="mailto:familyengagement@bracklaprimary.co.uk">familyengagement@bracklaprimary.co.uk</a>

→ [FAMILYENGAGEMENT@BRACKLAPRIMARY.CO.UK](mailto:FAMILYENGAGEMENT@BRACKLAPRIMARY.CO.UK) **MRS KELLAND**

## Quizmas Cracker

Adults Only Festive Quiz Night! Join us on Wednesday 17th December, 7-8.30pm for a fun-filled evening of festive trivia, laughter, and fantastic prizes. Test your seasonal knowledge in a lively quiz designed just for adults-guaranteed to get you in the holiday spirit! Sign up now by emailing Mrs Kelland at [familyengagement@bracklaprimary.co.uk](mailto:familyengagement@bracklaprimary.co.uk)



# QUIZMAS CRACKER

Test your festive knowledge, take part in a lively quiz, and win fantastic prizes—an evening of fun just for adults!



WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DEC | 7PM-8.30PM


Brackla Primary School



QUIZ

PRIZES

FUN



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## Wreath making workshop

You can now sign up for the adult only wreath making workshop via the school gateway app. The workshop is on Thursday 27th November 9am-11am and costs £15. The cost includes all the materials to make the wreath and there will be light refreshments too (as well as some Christmas music!!).

Please note: Spaces are limited and this is a strictly adult only workshop due to all the equipment that will be around the room- including hot glue guns!



THURSDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
9AM-11AM ; £15

# Wreath making Workshop

ALL OF THE MATERIALS WILL BE PROVIDED

ADULT ONLY EVENT

# CHILDREN & FAMILY REMEMBRANCE PARADE & SERVICE



A Remembrance Parade and Service arranged specifically for primary school age children and families. The service is tailored to provide an opportunity for children to learn about the importance of Remembrance.

## **SATURDAY 8th NOVEMBER 2025**

10.25am: Parade assembles at the top of Wyndham Street

10.40am: Parade leaves top of Wyndham Street

10.45am: Service at the War Memorial, Dunraven Place

ALL YEAR 1 & 2 PUPILS  
CINEMA TRIP

# ELF

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**FRIDAY 5TH  
DECEMBER**

**£12**  
**PRICE INCLUDES:**  
**TICKET**  
**BUS TRANSPORT**  
**CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES**

CHILDREN CAN BRING A SMALL BAG OF  
SWEETS OR CRISPS AND A DRINK

SIGN UP VIA THE SCHOOL GATEWAY APP

YEARS 3-6 CINEMA TRIP

# HOME ALONE PG



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5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

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