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Value of the month: Independence

RRS - Article 2: All children should be treated equally



Dear all,

After an unusual week where school had to close due to the extreme weather, it's been wonderful to see all the children back with us. Thank you for your cooperation and patience during the hot weather.

Thank you also to everyone who joined us for Sports Day this week. It was fantastic to see so many families cheering on our children, and we hope you enjoyed the day. A selection of photos can be found on page 9.

As if that wasn't enough excitement, we also enjoyed a brilliant Summer Fayre today. Thank you once again for your support — we hope you had a lovely afternoon. Look out for photos in next week's newsletter.

On Monday we will be holding our Transition Morning, where children will spend time in their new classrooms with their new teacher and support staff. This is always an exciting and important part of the year as we begin looking ahead to September and helping the children feel confident about their next classes.

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: [Easton Davies](#), [Imahla Mabbitt](#), [Olivia Allen](#), [Rosie Jackson](#), [Leon Wasilew](#), [Mia Lerner](#), [Solo-Bay Randall](#), [Marley Richards](#), [Kascey Nutting](#), [Freya Parry](#), [Harri Drozdowski](#), [Kheelan Rees](#), [Ollie Lewis](#).



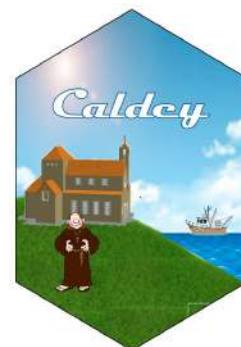
House Points Winner this week:



**512
Points**



**501
Points**



**486
Points**



**493
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)	90.15%
Reception (Mrs Driscoll)	90.82%
Reception/Year 1 (Mrs Bartle)	97%
1/2D (Mrs Delgado)	87.42%
2H (Miss Helm)	93.55%
3P (Ms Pavitt)	97.78%
3/4M (Mr M ^o Namara)	95.19%
4D (Miss Dawson)	99.20%
5S (Mrs Stephens)	90.71%
5/6HJ (Mrs Hayter)	86%
6S (Mr Still)	92.67%



Birthdays this week

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

Isla Evans, Elis James, Tillie O'Donnell, Connor Rees, Ollie Davies, Finn Jones, aisha Jaiteh, Kobey Rees, Rosie Emery, Romeo Jones, Faye-Jane Raymond, Lola Thompson.



Parking

We have recently received complaints from residents on Cae Bracla regarding vehicles completely blocking driveways and performing hazardous U-turns at the junction. This behaviour traps residents in their homes and creates a safety risk for children crossing the road. The Council has advised that parking enforcement sits with the police. Residents have been instructed to report blocked access directly to the Police 101 service, which may trigger targeted traffic enforcement operations outside the school.

We would be grateful if you could help keep our pupils safe and maintain a respectful relationship with our neighbours by:

- Never blocking a driveway: Even if you believe you will only be a minute, you may be trapping a resident in their home.
- Use the Cae Bracla junction appropriately: Please do not use this tight residential junction to park or execute U-turns.

Thank you to the vast majority of our parents who already drive and park safely, and thank you for your cooperation in safeguarding our pupils.



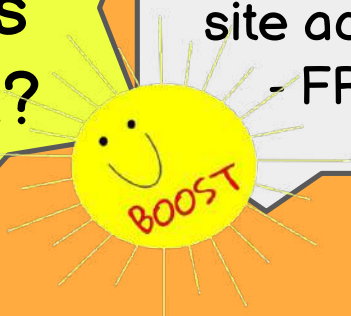
School Trips...

Reception - Margam Park July 14th - £7
R/1 & 1/2D - Aberavon trip July 9th - £6
2H, 3P, 3/4M - Rest Bay trip July 8th - £7



What's
on this
term...?

BOOST off
site activities
- FREE!



Y6 Celebration
BBQ & award
ceremony
July 13th
Tickets FREE!

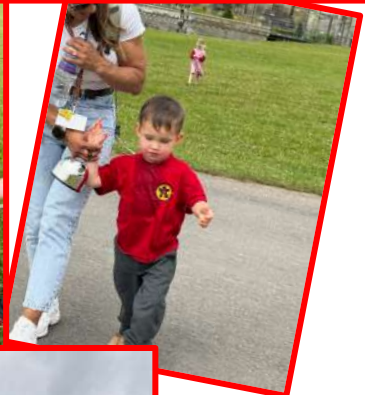


PS3 Show -
Tickets £2
July 8th
5/6H & 6S



Nursery Rich Task - Our Journey to Margam Park - written by Mrs Whelan

We had the *most amazing day* on our journey to Margam Park — and guess who came with us? Dudley Bear! The excitement began the moment the children stepped onto a *real bus* — a first for Dudley and many of the children. When we arrived, we set off on a route, past The Orangery, under huge trees, and through the stunning grounds. The children were full of wonder, spotting flowers, butterflies, and birds. Our first stop was Fairytale Land, where imaginations ran wild. Dudley played hide and seek and the children were so excited to play in the castle and visit the different fairytale houses. After a picnic lunch, we continued our adventure with a longer walk all the way to the castle and the adventure play park. The children showed fantastic stamina, walking all the way and enjoying every moment with their friends. At the end of the day, Dudley Bear said he had the best journey ever... because he got to spend it with all his friends!



Garden Gang's Brilliant Potato Harvest!

Our amazing **Garden Gang** had a *super* successful afternoon harvesting the potatoes yesterday. With big smiles and muddy hands, they dug up nearly **7 kilograms of potatoes** — that's a whole mountain of spuds! Their biggest potato weighed **386g**, and the children were very proud of their giant find. Potatoes lettuce herbs and garlic will be available next week with honesty box donations to keep our garden growing strong..



R/1 and 1/2D Size of Wales Workshop - Rainforests of Africa - Written by Mrs Bartle

The children were lucky enough to take part in a 'Discover the Rainforests of Africa with Elon the Elephant' workshop which took them on an immersive journey to the Congo rainforest, through storytelling and hands-on activities. They found out all about the animals that live there, what is threatening their forest and what action we can take to help. A big thank you to Cerys Felton for delivering a fantastic workshop. The children thoroughly enjoyed and look forward to another workshop when you return.



Size of
Wales
Maint
Cymru

Sports Day 2026 - written by Mrs Whelan, Mrs Hayter & Miss Dawson

After weeks of excitement and extreme weather, Sports Day 2026 burst into action with a morning session led by our older children, and they did not disappoint. Their enthusiasm set the tone for a day full of smiles, friendly competition, and impressive athletic ability. Whether tackling obstacle courses, powering through long-distance runs, or leaping into jumping events, every child shone. The afternoon brought just as much delight as our youngest children, from Nursery to Year 1, enjoyed their moment in the spotlight. They took part in a range of fun activities, showed great enthusiasm, and each child proudly received a medal to mark their achievement. The atmosphere was buzzing, families were cheering, and the sense of togetherness made the day truly special. A wonderful celebration of sport, spirit, and school pride. Well Done to Skomer our 2026 Sports Day Champions.



Year 6 Residential

This year's Year 6 residential was a triumph! The entire year group threw themselves into every activity, working brilliantly as a team and supporting one another every single step of the way. Our days were packed with unforgettable moments. From hiking up *The Big Dipper*, conquering fears on the high ropes and climbing wall, to splashing around in the lake after a fantastic kayaking session, the energy never stopped. Of course, we also made sure to have a healthy supply of ice cream and Tip Tops along the way!

We have truly made memories to last a lifetime. Year 6, you were completely **EPIC** and made our jobs easy (yet exhausting) with your fantastic behaviour and enthusiasm. What a spectacular way to finish off your primary school journey!

Keep pushing your boundaries, never take yourselves too seriously, and always remember to smile and have fun wherever you go. We are so proud of you all!





4D & Year 5 - written by Miss Dawson

Our trip to Aberavon Seafront was a complete joy from start to finish! The children threw themselves into every part of the day with huge smiles and lots of laughter. In the park, the children climbed, swung and raced down the slide - with even the teachers joining in and braving the biggest slide! On the beach, we built sandcastles, searched for shells and absolutely loved going in the sea. The splash park was another unforgettable highlight, especially the giant tipping bucket! It was a wonderful day full of sunshine, sand and smiles. A perfect seaside adventure and a lovely way to celebrate the end of the year all together.



What's On in Summer B 2026

Please take a look below at what is coming up in Summer Term A - these dates will be added to as the half term goes on.

Date	Event	Additional details
Monday 6th July	Transition morning	Children spend time in their new classes
Tuesday 7th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4D class assembly• Summer picnic for families	4D 2pm 3.15pm-4.30pm
Wednesday 8th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trip to Rest Bay• Garden sale• End of year show	2H, 3P and 3/4M R/1 and 1/2D 2.30pm 5/6HJ and 6S - 5pm
Thursday 9th July	5S class assembly	2pm
Thursday 16th and Friday 17th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Non school uniform day• Uniform swap shop	8.30am and 2.45pm
Friday 17th July	End of summer term	
Wednesday 2nd September	Children back to school	

INSET Dates

The remaining INSET date for this year is:

Monday 20th July



GET

INVOLVED

Walk & Talk Friday!

**Friday 26th June: 2pm-3pm, Friday 10th July:
2pm-3pm**

Adults only (however babies and toddlers welcome)-Join Mrs Kelland for Walk & Talk every other Friday afternoon. We're heading outdoors for some fresh air, gentle exercise and a good old-fashioned chat. It's the perfect, relaxed space to connect with other parents and grandparents, clear your head and step into the weekend feeling refreshed. Sign up via the school-gateway app.



BPS Picnic Fest

Tuesday 7th July: 3.15pm-4.30pm

After last year's fantastic turnout - nearly 100 people joined us - we're excited to bring BPS Picnic Fest back again this July. Weather permitting, we'll gather on the field for a relaxed afternoon together. Bring a picnic blanket, pack your favourite snacks and enjoy some downtime while the children dive into games, fun and plenty of laughter. It's a lovely chance to connect with other families and celebrate our school community. (Weather permitting)



BPS

PICNIC FEST

**RELAX AND ENJOY
THE OUTDOORS!**

- Bring a picnic
- Bring the whole family
- Socialise, games, FUN!!



7th July | 3:15pm-4:30pm

**Sign up via the school
gateway app**

familyengagement@bracklaprimary.org



BPS UNIFORM

SWAP SHOP



THURSDAY 16TH & FRIDAY 17TH JULY

8.40AM - 9.15 AM AND 2.45PM - 3.30PM

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Bring in all of your unwanted uniform, coats, school bags and school shoes to the office by Wednesday 15th July. Please send in items that are clean, in good condition and clearly labelled with the age/size

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FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Upcoming Events

July

2026

TUES
7TH
JULY

BPS Picnic Fest; 3.15pm-4.30pm

Bring a picnic blanket and enjoy some downtime while the children dive into games, fun and plenty of laughter.

TUES
10TH
JULY

Walk & Talk Friday

Join us for our adults-only Friday Walk & Talk to enjoy some fresh air, exercise and a good chat—sign up now on the School Gateway app

THURS
16TH
JULY

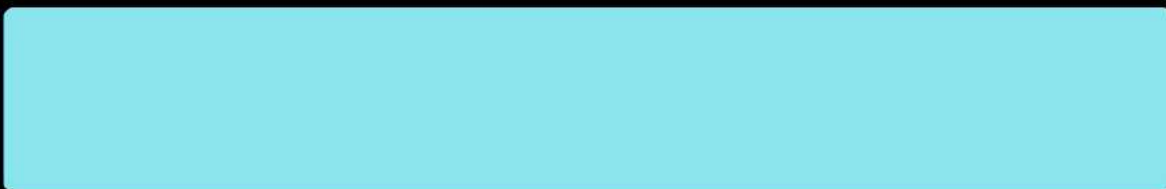
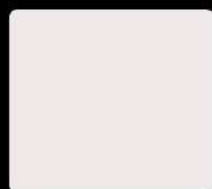
Uniform Swap Shop

8.40am-9.15am
2.45pm-3.30pm

FRIDAY
17TH
JULY

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8.40am-9.15am
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SUMMER HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMPS

WEEK 1 - MONDAY 20th - FRIDAY 24th JULY
WEEK 2 - MONDAY 27th JULY - FRIDAY 31st JULY
WEEK 3 - MONDAY 3rd - FRIDAY 7th AUGUST
WEEK 4 - MONDAY 10th - FRIDAY 14th AUGUST
WEEK 1 - MONDAY 17th - FRIDAY 21st AUGUST
ONLINE BOOKING: BRIDGENDTENNISCLUB.COM

*OPEN TO NON-MEMBERS

*FULL WEEK DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE

*INDIVIDUAL DAY BOOKING OPTIONS

*20% DISCOUNT FOR CLUB MEMBERS



BLUE CAMPS
10-11AM
FOR 3-4 YEARS

MINI CAMPS
10-1PM
FOR 5-11 YEARS

JUNIOR CAMPS
1.30-3.30PM
FOR 11-18 YEARS

RUN BY LTA QUALIFIED
COACHES

INDOOR COURTS

PACKED FULL OF
RELAYS, DRILLS, FUN
GAMES, TEAM
BUILDING AND POINTS
PLAY

NEED MORE
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