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Value of the month: Independence

RRS - Article 2: All children should be treated equally



Dear all,

Welcome to our final newsletter of the academic year. As we bring another busy and incredibly successful year at BPS to a close, I want to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude for your ongoing support.

Our Reception Class had an absolutely fantastic trip to Margam Park this week! Travelling on the coach with all of their friends was an incredibly exciting adventure in itself, and they had a wonderful day exploring together. A huge thank you to all the staff and helpers who looked after them and made the day so memorable.

It was also wonderful to welcome so many of our Year 6 families into school on Monday following the Year 6 Leavers' BBQ. It was a lovely evening spent celebrating the children's brilliant achievements, presenting awards, and reflecting on their journey at BPS.

To all of our children, your hard work and enthusiasm make our school the vibrant, joyful place it is. It is an absolute privilege to watch you learn and grow. A particularly warm farewell goes to our Year 6 pupils as you prepare to transition to your new secondary schools. We want you to know how immensely proud we are of the young people you have become. You are fully prepared for the exciting journey ahead. Thank you for the lasting mark you have left on BPS - you will be dearly missed, and we look forward to celebrating your future achievements from afar.

To our parents and carers, thank you for your unwavering partnership, encouragement, and active involvement in school life. The trust you place in us every single day is highly valued. For those families moving on from BPS this year, thank you for being such a wonderful part of our community, and we wish you all the very best in your next chapter.

I am also incredibly fortunate to work alongside a team of such passionate, caring professionals. Our brilliant staff work tirelessly to inspire, guide, and support your children daily, creating memorable experiences both inside and outside the classroom.

This term, we wish all the best to Miss Jones who is leaving us for pastures new; we are grateful for all she has brought to BPS and wish her all the best. We also extend our warmest thanks and best wishes to Mrs. Morgan and Mr. McNamara as they leave us to enjoy their retirement. They have both worked at BPS for over twenty years and had such a positive influence on many, many children over the years. On behalf of everyone at BPS, I would like to thank them for their commitment, passion, and dedication to our school and wish them both a very long and happy retirement.

As the summer holidays begin, I wish you all a safe, happy, and restful break. I hope you enjoy this well-deserved time to relax and recharge with loved ones. We look forward to welcoming many of you back in September for another exciting school year!





It is always good to take a moment to reflect on the successes of the term and below are just a few achievements from the summer term:

- **92.1%** attendance for the summer term;
- **60** children received a 100% attendance award for the summer term;
- **14** children received a 100% attendance award for the whole year;
- **12** new children joined us this term;
- Fundraising activities have included a film night and our summer fayre;
- **39** children attended a 4 day residential trip to Gorwelion;
- Over **183** children in years 3-6 performed an assembly or show for their families to showcase their learning;
- **61** children took part in a Garden Party for families to showcase their learning
- BOOST activities this term have included: Bikes & Scooters, First Aid, See It, Sign It, Ukulele, Football, Hockey, Coney Beach and Newbridge Fields.
- **25** children took part in a School's menu project
- **122** children took part in Errol's Garden Musical theatre skills workshops
- **53** children took part in an animation workshop
- We achieved our 7th Platinum Eco-Flag renewal
- Sporting events have included 4 football tournaments, of which we represented Bridgend County and a football and netball tournament; we took pupils from Y3-6 to a swimming gala
- Visitors to the school have included: Amy (Brackla Tabernacle); Adam Rosser (Brynteg), School health nurse, Bridgend Library Service
- Whole school events have included: Summer Fayre and sports day;
- School visits have included: Margam Park; Rest Bay; Aberavon and Newbridge Fields;
- Extra curricular activities this term which included: football, gardening, circuits, choir, fun and games, and board games.
- Family engagement activities included: Kids vs Parents, BPS Picnic Fest, Tots of Fun, The Great School swap, Pantri, The seaside social, BPS uniform swap shop,.....and that's still only a snapshot - just a glimpse of everything we packed into this year!
- Staff training has included, Thrive, Additional learning Needs, Additional Learning Needs and Early Years and Safeguarding
- Transition events have included: inductions for new nursery families; nursery home visit visits to secondary school; Helping Hands (additional transition visits); head of year visits; Maths lesson; French lesson and a visit from the Brynteg Expressive arts team to make props for our Lion King Show

Attendance Awards:

Well done to the following children for having 100% for the summer term:

N/R	Lila Penpraze, Robyn Jones, Delilah Griffiths, Florence Davies, Eran Bardhi, Eleanor Baker.
Reception	Evelyn Morgan, Sienna Wines, Nikodem Wasilew, Bruno Still, Carwen Sokolowski.
R/Y1	Peyton Pereira, Abigail Payne, Rae Muckell, Noah Mantell, Harry Joseph, Finn Hope-Woodroffe, Teddy Beresford.
1/2D	Tommy Smith, Henry Cox, Tobias Choi, Olivia Brooks, Lucy Brewer.
2H	Edward Hamel, Nate Francis, Henry Evans, Emily Ashford.
3P	Penny Still, Miyah-Grace Mantell, Aisha Jaiteh, Matthew Freeman, Anthony Baker.
3/4M	Solo-Bay Randall, Mia Stovell, Abbie O'Hara, Archie Stephens, Finley Martin, Felix Choi.
4D	Ashton Wines, Grace Stovell, Sam North, Jimmy Lunnon, Mia-Gabriele James, Emily Brewer.
5S	Kaito Langmaid, Anna Hamel, Savannah Gale, Edward Freeman, Sophia Brooks.
5/6HJ	Isla Evans, Maxwell Choi, Harry Beresford.
6S	Kheelan Rees, Elizabeth Topham, Jacob O'Hara, Otis Still, Tommy Lunnon, Emilie Jones, Hope Cabigting, Noah Aydin.

100%

Well done to the **14** children that achieved 100% attendance for the full year - an incredible achievement! They all received a certificate and a £10 voucher.

Harry Beresford, Olivia Brooks, Sophia Brooks, Felix Choi, Maxwell Choi, Isla Evans, Anna Hamel, Edward Hamel, Finn Hope-Woodroffe, Mia-Gabriele James, Tommy Lunnon, Finley Martin, Peyton Pereira, Solo-Bay Randall.





End of Year Awards:

Well done to the following children for receiving an end of year award:
(house points and Yr 6)

Nursery	Phoebe Kelland	Amelia Hoskins	Elis James
Reception	Tiera-Raye Wetton	Akil Singhage	Matilda Apsee
Reception/Y1	Joey Meecham		

	1st	2nd	3rd
R/Y1	Abigail Aydin	Jack Jenkins	
1D	Ivy Waldron	Freddie North	Griff Stothert-Wheatley
2H	Edith Lewis	Kayden Tennant	Reuben Howells
2/3P	Isabella Richards	Aisha Jaiteh	Matthew Freeman
3/4M	Parker Cullen-Edwards	Archie Stephens	Scarlett Harris
4B	Mia-Gabriele James	Eric Low	Kascey Nutting
4/5H	Emma Kolarova	Savannah Gale	Annie Bebb
5/6S	Hallie Evans	Maxwell Choi	Brayden Coyle
6S	Elizabeth Topham	Otis Still	Joo-Ahn Yun

House Point Awards



Puffin Award



Daniel
Guz



Year 6 Awards

Shining Star : Christopher Ezeemo

Above & Beyond : Isla Evans

Incredible Journey : Jake Burnell

Sports Award : Noah Aydin

Triple E : Cohen Stanford &
(Effort, Enthusiasm & Jacob O'Hara
Engagement)

Aspiring Authors : Hope Cabigting &
Emilie Jones



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Eco Platinum Renewal - written by Miss Thomas

On Monday 13th July I met with Fran Watkin, the Eco Schools Officer from Keep Wales Tidy. She was visiting the school for the first time and thoroughly enjoyed her tour of both the school and our grounds. She was particularly impressed with all the evidence seen throughout the school showing how we have embedded the Eco-Schools programme within our teaching and learning.

Fran was here for an assessment to renew our Platinum Eco Flag status and I am very pleased to say that we passed with flying colours!

We gained our 1st Eco Flag (Bronze) in 2006 and steadily worked our way up to Platinum standard in 2015. This year we are celebrating our **7th Platinum Renewal**.

Eco-Schools is a global programme engaging over 20 million children across more than 100 countries, making it the largest environmental education programme on the planet.

It is designed to empower and inspire young people to make positive environmental changes to their school and wider community, while building on their skills, including numeracy and literacy, and encompassing Education for Sustainable Development and Global Citizenship.



Reception Trip to Margam Park - written by Mrs Driscoll

We had the best day at Margam Park this week! We travelled by coach with our special class friend, Alfie Bear, who came along for the adventure too. We climbed lots of steps to reach the castle, where we spotted the Welsh flag flying high. We saw the deer, had great fun in the playground, and loved exploring the play castle with our friends. The fairytale houses were a real favourite, and we enjoyed chatting about the stories they came from. On our way back to the coach, we discovered an amazing tree with huge branches that were perfect for climbing and exploring. It was such a fun-filled day, and we made lots of wonderful memories together. The children were fantastic all day and their behaviour made us so proud! Well done Reception!



Birthdays this week

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

Elijah Miles-Davies, Sienna Wines, Arthur Apsee, George Apsee, Matilda Apsee, Otis Still, Enzo Corona, Tillie O'Donnell, Riley-James Young, Anthony Baker, George Mowbray-Harwood.

Birthdays during the holidays: Rory Benson, Bruno Still, Morgan-Mae Jenkins, Freddie Jopling, Adriana Evans, Miles Davies, Mia Larner, Jacob Lee-Burke, Caleb O'Connor, Abigail Aydin, Alex Bialobrzesci, Griff Stothert-Wheatley, Leon Wasilew, Louis Evans, Donata Karpovic, Albie Treharne, Alexander Wojdyla, Christopher Ezeemo, Elliott Abraham, Lily Thomas, Sebastian Davies, Scarlett-Rose Harris, Oscar Waldron, Coral Goule, Rowan Hopson-Griffiths, Mason Sylvester, Hailey-Mai Hopson, Charlie Oliver, Maisie Oliver, Vienne Francis, Amari Skalitzy-Newman, Archie Stephens, Grace Stovell, Mia Stovell, Eleanor Baker, Connie Carter, Theodore Griffiths, Niko Wasilew, Matthew Freeman, Dylan James, Anisa El Maniri, Finn Hope-Woodroffe, Harry Joseph.

