

Friday 27th March 2015

Dear Parents,

Stars of the Week

We are always so proud of all children, teachers and staff having awarded their Stars of the Week Awards to the following children. Well done.

Oak – Olivia T and Mia T
Beech – Max B
Elm – Jack M
Maple - Eva
Creative Lab – Lyra-Boo
Year 3 – Josh B
Year 4 – Daniel M
Year 5 – Lucy B
Year 6 – Nathan

Bronze Award

Well done Madeleine C from Year 3 for achieving her bronze award.



Year 6 Awards

Well done to Caitlin - Silver and Ethan - Gold



Project Shoe Box

Each year in the Autumn term we ask you to support the Samaritan's Purse in providing Christmas Boxes for children who have so little. I have received a You Tube link today from Jo Smith which is so moving...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uZLgFQFggMw>

Headteacher's Award

Skye from Year 6 for fantastic progress in English.

Erin from Year 6 for her wonderful writing.

Mr Cushing with the Infants

A bit thank you to Mrs Mckinnon for arranging a "real life explorer" to speak to the infants about Antartica – Thank you Mr Cushing.



Year 5 with their Land Yachts

Year 5 children have been working with Mr Biggs from Baines High School on a Product Design Project – they picked a perfect day to try out their land yachts.



Oak Class Assembly

Thank you to all parents/families for “bobbing along” on Thursday. Reception Class children have been showing the whole school their Easter Bonnets too.



Easter Hampers

Thank you to the PTA for organising a wonderful event, the children really enjoy the daily raffle during assembly, there were over 30 prizes available to be won and the amount raised was over £700 – these funds will be put towards purchasing IT equipment for the school.

Netball Rallies

Well done to the netball team who played amazingly at the rallies at Hodgson on Wednesday! Miss B-F, Miss Allen and Mrs Hunter were extremely proud of your attitude and enthusiasm!



Pick up Time – Suggested pick up points

We understand that the path outside the Junior Classrooms can sometimes be congested if it all possible could:

Year 6 – If your child does not walk home can you encourage them to meet you at your cars, this will help with their transition to High School.

Year 5 – Again if your child does not walk home independently perhaps they could meet you outside the school gate?

Years 3 and 4 – Some of you wait on the other side of the wooden fence for your children – thank you this does help with the congestion.

Infant Children – Please leave the school grounds via the small playground gate where possible.

Now the weather is fine and the evenings lighter the issue should not be as bad.

Parent Forum

Thank you to the parents/carers who attended the Parent Forum for the Spring Term on Tuesday evening, we will be arranging these meetings termly please look at the Dates for your Diary for future events.

The Parent Forum is an opportunity to come to school and discuss issues with me and the leadership team regarding the school and also for us to keep parents up to date with changes in education that are directed through both central and local government.

I have promised Cheese and Wine for the next event!

Matters discussed:

- Working in Partnership with the School
- Teaching School Status
- Community Events (inc Open Days)
- Communication
- Progress Meetings
- Pupil Premium Grant
- Welcome in School
- Getting to know the Staff
- Health and Safety Issues
- Transparency with the Governing Body

One suggestion from those in attendance was that each week we put one of the staff in the spotlight. It was felt that this would mean that parents would get

to know all the staff rather than their own class teacher on a year to year basis.

Mr Hesketh

This week I am going to focus on Mr Hesketh. Mr Hesketh is our Year 5 Class Teacher, he is the school's PE Coordinator, responsible for Design Technology across the whole school and also links and liaises with all class teachers and the authority in respect of Educational Visits ensuring all risk assessments are completed, this is part of his role as Education Visits Coordinator.

Mr Hesketh is part of the Senior Leadership Team in School – this team is responsible for strategic decisions for the whole school community.



Mr Hesketh has taught at the school for over 15 years, he has been central to the sporting success the school has achieved and he has been identified by the Local Authority as an expert in his field. This means Mr Hesketh delivers training to other PE teachers and supports over 40 schools in Wyre and Fylde helping them to improve how they deliver PE. The work that Mr Hesketh completes out of school is partly funded by the Sports Premium. This is additional funding schools have been granted to promote healthy lifestyles and the encouragement of sport participation for young people.

As an outstanding school we are expected to deliver and offer "School to School" support to other schools ensuring all children have access to good or outstanding education. This expectation has been further extended following the school gaining Teaching School Status – meaning we are pivotal in

producing the next generation of school teachers and leaders. If we did not share our expertise and knowledge then the school would not retain its outstanding status.



We see releasing our outstanding staff to other schools as a fabulous opportunity for teachers to develop themselves professionally whilst retaining them for the benefit of our school community; they always bring back wonderful practice from other schools, which in turn is of benefit to all the children at Breck School. The leadership team carefully assesses each request for our staff, ensuring the children at Breck remain our priority. We employ more teachers than classes to ensure cover is provided by experienced and full time members of the Breck Team and not supply teachers.

Don't forget to log on to the Sports Blog to find out what the Sports Captains are reporting on each week:

<https://www.yourschoolgames.com/your-school/profile/slug/poultonlefyld-the-breck-primary-school/tab/blog>

Creative Lab

This week the children have been making their own themed Global Warming t-shirts.



Dates for your Diary

Monday 13th April 2015 – School Opens at 8.20 am for Wake and Shake.

SPORTS DAYS – THESE WILL BE HELD WEATHER PERMITTING DURING THIS HALF TERM – THE DATES ARE YET TO BE DECIDED – WE WILL LET YOU KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Tuesday 14th April 2015 – Year 6 Booster Classes continue

Wednesday 15th April 2015 – Year 5 Class Assembly – All parents/carers welcome

Friday 17th April 2015 – Mr Ardron's Tennis commences 10 week block

6th May 2015 – KS1 – SATS – Wed/Thurs/Fri

Thursday 7th May 2015 – Reception Class trip to the Wild Boar Park

Monday 11th May 2015 to Friday 15th May 2015 inclusive Year 6 SATS Exams

PTA Treasure Hunt and BBQ Night – TBC – Watch this space

Tuesday 19th May 2015 – KS2 Gym Competition

Wednesday 20th May 2015 – Inter School Athletics

Thursday 21st May 2015 – Wyre Girls Football Competition

Friday 22nd May 2015 – School Closes for Half Term at 3.30 pm (KKC to 5.30 pm)

This list may be changed – please keep checking the newsletter weekly. In addition there will be other events in school that are not advertised – we will try and provide as much notice as possible via text/email.

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