

# Work together, learn together, achieve together.

## Breakwater Academy Newsletter



Monday October 1st 2018

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

This is more of a 'well done' letter than a newsletter this week –first of all I would like to congratulate our first group of children who received a 'Headteachers Award' certificate in assembly on Friday. These certificates are awarded for successful learning; they are intended to reflect the hard work that a particular child has put in to their learning. The children are invited to come (with their work) to explain to me what they have been learning, and it is lovely to hear how confidently they explain why this is a particularly successful piece of work for them. This week I heard from children how they had challenged themselves to reach the extension work in their maths, how they had successfully ordered numbers in decreasing or increasing order, how including expanded noun phrases enhances their writing, written letters home from the trenches as a soldier in WWI, and written an explanation of the planets and stars, to name just a few.

I explained to the children during assembly that EVERYONE is capable of getting an award, as it is about their own personal success in their learning, and that I am looking forward to congratulating all of them over the coming weeks. There is no upper limit on the amount of certificates to be awarded each week, and I would be absolutely delighted if I run out more quickly than expected!

So, well done to the following children:

Riley and Ruby in Starfish  
Tovi, Betty, Sienna and Maci in Turtles  
Indie, Vikash and Theo in Coral  
Kaesyn, Kai and Michaela in Kittiwake  
Leland and Dennis in Sea Glass  
Alise, David and Calum in Rockpool  
Viktoria and Shaun in Pufferfish

Reception parents – they haven't been forgotten! At the moment they are focusing on settling into school full-time, but they will be joining us in these celebrations in the next week or two.

### Macmillan Cake Sale

The other 'well done' and massive thank you is to all of you who either baked or bought cakes in support of Macmillan Cancer Care last Friday. It was wonderful to see you all coming into school on Friday morning with armfuls of cake, and I am delighted to be able to tell you that the approximate amount raised (still some counting to do) is **£178**. What a fantastic achievement!

Best Wishes,

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Head teacher