



## Attendance

We were hugely disappointed by the number of absences on the first day back after half-term. As we have communicated to parents on many occasions, attendance is a huge challenge for us at Brunel and our poor attendance figures continue to affect the progress and attainment of a sizeable number of pupils. Our term dates are available on our website and we communicate term start dates on newsletters which are sent home and are also available to view on our website. Ofsted raised this as the only area in which we need to improve further in their recent visit. **We need to do better on attendance and we need the support of parents to do it.**

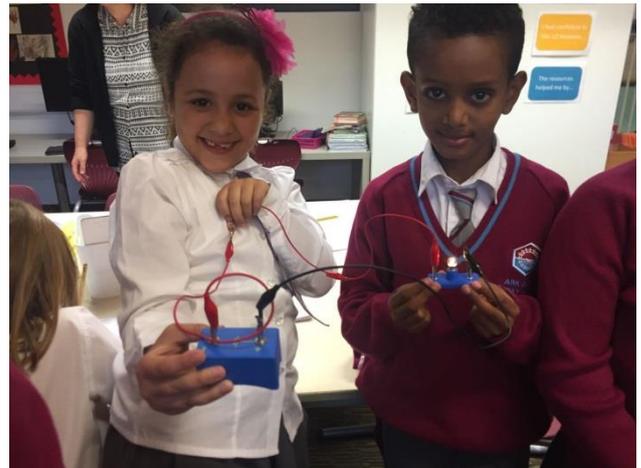
## Don't waste - recycle

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, Pankhurst class went to visit the Wandsworth Riverside Waste Authority, to learn about what happens to our rubbish after we throw it away. While at the WRWA, they learnt the importance of reducing the waste we throw in the bin, reusing as much as possible and recycling where is needed. As part of the tour, the children took part in a paper making workshop, where they turned paper mulch into new recycled paper.



## Let there be light

Year 3 are learning about electricity and conductors. Today, the children discovered that a coin conducts electricity as the bulb in the circuit turned on!



## Children In Need

On Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, we will be running a non-uniform day to raise funds for Children In Need. Please bring a £1 donation and join in with the theme of 'SPOTS.'



## Welcome

We are pleased to welcome Roisin Cunningham to our team at Brunel this half-term. Roisin is a Speech and Language Therapist and will be working in our Speech and Language Centre and in the main school.