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## NEWSLETTER 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents

### Upcoming Events

**Staff training-** We are looking forward to doing staff training on assessing and tracking pupil progress next Thursday, after school. Alongside planning exciting and engaging learning activities for the children, the cycle is only complete when what we have taught, or introduced, is assessed and evaluated thoroughly.

**Safeguarding training-** I will be out of school all day on Tuesday next week as I am attending safeguarding training in my role as Designated Safeguarding Lead for the School.

**Parent Reps Meeting-** We are looking forward to hosting our first parent reps meeting of the year on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October. The meeting will take place at 9.00 am and will be held in the staffroom.

### Outdoor Education

At Broadhurst we place a strong emphasis on the importance and value of daily outdoor experiences for the children's learning and development. The photos here show how we had the garden set up today. Activities are available that cover all areas of the curriculum and will appeal to the different interests of the children





### Curriculum News from Miss Belzer

#### Sharing

Even at an early stage, children can benefit from early experiences of grouping and sharing in practical maths activities as a foundation skill to division. Opportunities to share objects in practical games support children in learning the associated vocabulary. For example, 'fair', 'share', 'equal', 'divide', 'how many left over.' Grouping initially needs to be divided equally when exploring practical problems in a real or role play context. At home you may like to make opportunities for sharing such as sharing 4,6,8 or 10 items out equally into 2 bowls.

#### Music teacher recommendation by a current Broadhurst parent

If any parents are looking for an innovative approach to teaching music, Maria Vraka - who teaches music as a language through sensory skills from a very young age may be of interest:

[www.hemec.org](http://www.hemec.org)

## Class 6 News

This half term Class 6 have been learning about each other, demonstrating friendly behaviour, initiating conversations and developing good relationships with each other and their teachers. In phonics, we have been hearing and saying initial sounds in words. Some of us are blending three letter words and some of us are even beginning to read!

We have been learning to count reliably up to 10 and placing these numbers in order. We have also learnt the mathematical names for flat 2D shapes. Most recently we have been doing activities relating to non-standard measurement.

As part of our art work we have been using our knowledge of 2D shapes and our creativity to make lots of shape pictures.

Please keep an eye out for these on our upcoming wall display.



I hope you all have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

With best wishes

**Mrs Sylvester**

**Proprietor  
Mr B. Berkery**