# The Weekly News

**BROADHURST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | 11TH JUNE 2021** 

#### DEAR PARENTS FULL DAY CONCERT PREPARATIONS

We are well on our way with rehearsals for our upcoming concerts. The children are doing very well learning their songs and words and we are very much looking forward to welcoming Full Day parents to the garden to watch the performances.

I would like to remind you that unfortunately there will be no access to school and parents will enter the garden by the side passage and watch the shows from the garden.

We are keeping our fingers crossed for good weather but we do ask that you come prepared. With our social distancing in place, there will be plenty of space, should you need to hold an umbrella and no one's view should be compromised.

#### END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS



A number of parents have asked me about any end of year celebrations we are planning for the children. We will be having a Teddy Bear's Picnic in the garden, where we will play some party games and enjoy some party food with our friends. The parties will take place within the school day and classes will remain in their bubbles. Further detail will follow.

### HEAD TO HEADS

I had the pleasure of catching up with Richard Berlie from St Anthony's Boys School this week.

Mr Berlie was very pleased to share with me some of the exciting changes taking place at St Anthony's including the introduction of academic faculties to continue their prioritisation of teaching and learning, the introduction of on-site counselling and the appointment of a Head of Co-Curricular Activities to extend the offering of clubs and societies for the boys.

If you are considering St Anthony's Boys, you may be interested to look at their new Instagram @stanthonysprep or visit the school's website.

I am also going to visit Laura Hall at Queen's College Prep next week. This will be the first school visit I have made in what feels like a very very long time. I am very much looking forward to meeting Laura, looking around the school again and seeing what changes have been made since my last visit.

With both Headteachers new to their schools this year, it is most valuable to continue to build relationships with them into the future.

Mrs Sylvester





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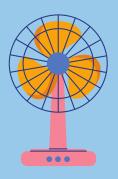




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### PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS AND RHYME BY MISS BELZER

Phonological Awareness is the awareness of what sounds are and how they work together to make words.

Skills include the ability to rhyme, segment words into single letter sounds and identify sounds in different positions within words.

This is one of the key skills needed for successful reading and writing.

#### " Phonological skills develop in a predictable progression. "

Rhyme is the ability to hear the end sounds in words e.g. cat/hat.

Awareness of rhyme is important for the development of a child's sound awareness in words.

A child that is able to recognise if words rhyme will be able use these familiar patterns to aid in reading, and later with spelling.



#### CLASS 4 NEWS BY MISS HARRIET

Class 4 have had a fun colour-filled week with all things Elmer. We were transported to Elmer's jungle in our small world area, made a patchwork collage Elmer and talked about the special ways we are all different and unique, just like Elmer is. Our classroom shop has proven to be a great success in our role play area and construction continues to be a highly sort after activity especially with our new bolts, screws and drills set that Miss Kerry found for us. We have also been learning some new songs about the months of the year and our ten fingers.

"We have also been giving babies and ducks baths in the garden to make sure that they are nice and clean, searching for minibeasts outside and looking at all the amazing spider webs that can be found."



#### IN MATHS...

we have been doing all things pattern. We have been concentrating really hard with making repeating patterns and deciding what colour and size of teddy bear comes next in the sequence. We have also been learning about different patterns in the environment and looking at our clothes to see what patterns we wear daily. We have learnt about polka dots, stripes, checks and leopard prints as well as learning new words for colours to describe them, such as navy, lilac and beige.

## IN PHONICS THIS WEEK...

we learnt a new sound 'm' and had fun sorting through items deciding if they could go in our 'm' bag or not. We have also been practising our rhyming by finding the matching pairs. We had fun making up silly words too to rhyme with others in the pictures.

> We look forward to another week in the glorious sun filled full of fun, laughter and excitement as we explore the underwater world of The Rainbow Fish.