# The Weekly News

**BROADHURST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | 22 APRIL 2022** 

# DEAR PARENTS,

It has been lovely to welcome back the children this week and the weather has certainly made us all feel enthusiastic for the summer term ahead. We are busy planning some events for the term that we are excited to share details of shortly.

We shall take every opportunity to enjoy our wonderful garden and the learning opportunities this offers, when the weather is on our side, alongside the usual exciting and creative activities the teachers will be offering the children inside the classrooms. Our Full Day children will be working hard on preparing for the move to Reception, focusing on their independence, reading and mathematical skills and our younger children will be consolidating the foundations they have been building to support them with their transition to next year.

As we are progressing to all our two to three year olds attending school for a full day, over the next two years, we will be renaming our year groups in September. Half Day and Extended Day will be known as Pre-Nursery (2-3 year olds) and Full Day will be known as Nursery (3-4 year olds). Any children staying for Reception will be known as Reception. With this in mind, we shall start to use the terms Pre-Nursery and Nursery more frequently as part of this move.

#### PHOTOGRAPHER 26 and 27 April 2022



We are looking forward to a visit from our School photographer next week.

**On Tuesday 26 April** children in classes 2,4,5 and 8 will be photographed along with siblings who are both currently attending Broadhurst.

**On Wednesday 27 April** children in classes 1,3,6 and 7 will be photographed.

Please note the change of date for Class 1 and Class 2 from previous correspondence.

Children will have their individual photos taken and will also have a whole class photo taken with their teachers.

Photographs will be available for parents to purchase with further details to follow.

### NEXT STEPS MEETINGS



I had the opportunity to meet with a good number of parents last term to discuss 4+ and the direction you are looking at for your children's next steps after Broadhurst. There are still some parents that I have not spoken to and I would be more than happy to do so if you would find this helpful. Please do contact Arpuna to make an appointment and I look forward to catching up with you either face to face or on Zoom whichever is more convenient for you.





#### KEEPING IN TOUCH MEETINGS

Please remember that your child's teacher is available for appointments on a Tuesday after school up to 5:00pm. If there is anything you would like to discuss, please take the opportunity to do so. We really value the opportunity to engage with you and support your child in this way. Again, appointments can be made through Arpuna in the school office.

Mrs Sylvester





### GARDENING AND GROWING BY MISS BELZER

Gardening and growing offers opportunities for problem solving, investigation and questioning. Another benefit of gardening is an opportunity to develop an understanding of, and respect for, nature. This also develops greater mindfulness of our environment. Gardening facilitates hands-on and active learning, and the concrete connection is hugely stimulating.

As children learn about how plants grow they develop a scientific understanding of seeds, light and water and this can generate many questions. Growing vegetables, in particular, promotes healthy eating and encourages children to make healthier food choices as a result.

Vegetables that are easy to grow at home include: carrots, peas, runner beans, cabbage, spinach, radishes, potatoes or walking stick kale.



# CLASS 5 NEWS

#### **BY MISS DIANNE**

This week Class 5 dived into their new topic of sea creatures by starting with exploring different types of sharks! This week we have looked at books about whale sharks, Great White, and hammerhead sharks, and even practised our fine motor skills by threading a shark!









## IN MATHS...

we practised numbers to ten and counted out Cheerio's into the corresponding numbered cup.











## IN LITERACY...

We have revised the s, a, t, p, i, n sounds in phonics and in communication and language have talked about the sea creatures in our tuff tray, and learnt new words such as: pufferfish, pebble, seahorse, crab, and starfish.

We are excited to continue learning about sea creatures next week!