

# The Weekly News

BROADHURST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | 20TH MAY 2022

## DEAR PARENTS

### STAY AND PLAY

We are delighted to say that we will be reinstating the opportunity for parents to come into school on a Friday morning to stay and play with your child. We know how much parents enjoyed this when Covid restrictions allowed it and we now feel confident to start this up again. We will start this on Friday 10 June and will aim to continue until Friday 1st July, the last Friday of the year. We hope you will be able to join us.

### SCHOOL VISITS

I have had the opportunity to visit two schools this week. Broomfield House School, in Kew Gardens, welcomed me to see their Early Years department yesterday and I was very pleased to have the opportunity to see how they have set their classrooms to support the children's learning and also to discuss their choices of furniture and resources to best fulfil their needs. It is always valuable to see other settings to gain ideas from others.

This afternoon, I am returning to North London Collegiate School. Although I know the school very well, I am always delighted to revisit, meet colleagues and friends and also tour the Junior School to see the developments they have implemented recently, to improve their offering. Mrs Newman, the Junior School Head, is retiring at the end of this term and I am sure we will take the opportunity to bid her farewell. I am also thoroughly looking forward to watching a Reception class assembly to see how the Broadhurst children that are now at NLCS have grown up.

## WALK TO SCHOOLWEEK

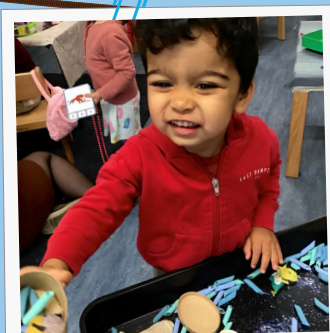


Thank you for the encouragement and enthusiasm shown this week as we have been focussing on the benefits of walking to school. The children have certainly enjoyed receiving their stickers and the teachers have been reinforcing these ideas in class this week.

## QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE AND HALF TERM

Next week is the last week before we break for Half Term. Although the Platinum Jubilee is taking place in the Half Term holiday, the children will have the opportunity to celebrate at school next week, with an exciting selection of activities planned for them. We invite the children to dress in red, white or blue, on Friday 27th May to help with our celebrations.

*Mrs Sylvester*



Inside Class 1 this week

# ENVELOPING AND CONTAINING

BY MISS BELZER

A child who has an enveloping or containing schema is interested in exploring enclosed spaces. This may include:

- Hiding themselves in a small space.
- Collecting objects in bags, or boxes.
- Covering their hands, face or body, such as, under a sheet.
- Wrapping dolls or teddies in a blanket.
- Sorting objects.
- Beginning to or enjoying drawing circles or things that have circles, for example, vehicles with wheels.
- Enjoying pouring and transferring items.

Activities that can support this schema at home may include:

- Dressing up clothes.
- Paper or fabric to wrap things in.
- Pots, boxes or bags with things they can fill them with.
- Containers to pour, fill and empty in the bath.
- Making a den with furniture and couch cushions to hide in.
- Transferring dry rice, beans or pasta between two bowls with spoons, scoops or tweezers.





# CLASS 1 NEWS

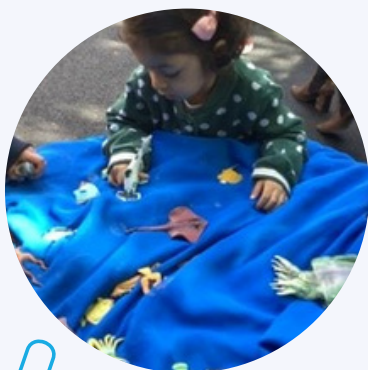
BY MISS BELZER

This week, Class 1 have been sailing the high seas with our pirate ship and rowing down the stream in our row boat. We know about creatures under the sea such as whales, dolphins and octopuses, and have created many under the sea adventures

with our sea creatures. Our craft activities have involved exploring a range of tools, including, toothbrushes, basting brushes and potato mashers to paint sea creatures with different effects.

## IM MATHS ...

we are continuing to build on our counting skills by connecting numbers to their numeral. We are on the hunt for numbers 1, 2, and 3. At Table Time, we have also been learning about positional language and learnt some new words to say where our teddy was hiding. We found the teddy in, on top, next to, in front of and even behind the box.



## IN PHONICS ...

we are learning the sounds a, s, m and d. We are really enjoying the Jolly Phonics songs. We have had ants on our arm, found snakes in the grass, seen Mummy and Daddy making meals but also decided that when Daddy is not playing the drum, Daddy does the dishes!



We hope you all have a restful weekend and we are very much looking forward to more learning next week.