The Weekly News

BROADHURST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | 16 SEPTEMBER 2022

DEAR PARENTS

I am delighted to be offering you the first edition of our newsletter for this year. Newsletters are sent to you every Friday during term time and will often include important dates for your diaries and other useful information. Each week, Mrs Roberts, our new Deputy Head, will be sharing curriculum news and I hope you will enjoy reading her introduction below.

The children are settling in well and we are beginning to establish our new routines. It is still very early days, however, I am generally very happy with how well the children are adjusting. Some of our younger children are still building their confidence in their new surroundings and for them the settling in process may take a little longer. We will continue to work closely with you on an individual basis to make individual arrangements in this case.



WELCOME DRINKS

We warmly welcomed Nursery Class parents to School yesterday. We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to meet your children's teachers and also the other parents and to find out a little more about what is to come over the coming year at Broadhurst School. We are very much looking forward to this event for Pre-Nursery parents on Tuesday 20th at 4:30pm.

FRIDAY OPEN DOOR FOR NURSERY CLASSES

We are looking forward to welcoming parents of children in Nursery classes (9, 10 and 11) into school from Friday 30 September at 9:15am. We will limit the number of parents to half the class at one time to ensure it is not too busy and you will have the space and time to enjoy your visit.

You will have the chance to see some of the activities we have on offer for the children and we hope that you will enjoy participating and playing with your child while you are here. We ask that you leave the class by 9:45am in order for the teachers to start the structured part of the morning and ensure we fit in everything we have planned for the day.

You will receive information from the school office regarding the group you have been allocated and the dates of your visits. Friday Open Door for Pre-Nursery classes will commence after half term, once the children are settled.

Mrs Sylvester

BANK HOLIDAY

Please be reminded that we will not be open on Monday due to the Queen's funeral. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to School on Tuesday.



INTRODUCTION FROM MRS ROBERTS



Dear Parents and Children,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the Broadhurst School community. My name is Mrs Hannah Roberts; I have been appointed as your new Deputy Headmistress and Class Teacher in Class 2. I am extremely excited to begin my journey at Broadhurst and I look forward to getting to know you all over the coming months.

I have always loved working with children. I am at my happiest when I am teaching. I have a BA Honours degree in Primary education specializing in the Early Years. I have been working in Early Years Education for 10 years and passionately believe in giving children the best possible start to their education. I have had considerable experience in both teaching and leading in the Early Years sector. I am thrilled to be joining such a warm and welcoming school community in which I can continue my passion for early education and contribute to taking the school forward.

I am originally from Wales and moved to London back in 2015 with my husband. I love to sing and take every opportunity to sing with the children throughout the day.

Please do come and say hello if you see me around the school. I look forward to working in partnership with you all over the coming year. I hope you will enjoy reading my weekly contribution to the School Newsletter in the form of Curriculum News.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Roberts.

DIARY DATES

We have a number of events which we hope you will be able to attend over the next few weeks.

Assessment Talk- I will be giving a talk to parents where I will give you information about the assessment process and how we can all prepare the children in the coming weeks. The talk is for Nursery parents whose children will be sitting assessments this academic year. The talk will be given on Thursday 22nd September at 11:00am. Please note that the talk is a repeat of the talk I gave last term.

Phonics Talk- Miss Belzer, Senior Teacher, will be giving a talk about our phonics and reading approach at Broadhurst. All parents are invited to attend; this will take place on Zoom on Wednesday 28th September at 4:30pm.

Maths Talk- Mrs Roberts, Deputy Headmistress, will be giving a talk about maths teaching at Broadhurst. Once again, all parents are invited to attend; this will take place on Zoom on Wednesday 5th October.

All the above talks will be recorded and will be available to you should be unable to attend.

BUGGY PARKING

We appreciate your patience and help as we work out the best way for storing your buggies and scooters outside school. You will be aware that we have additional storage space outside No21 Greencroft Gardens. It is important that we do not block access to the side passage as this is a fire exit. If any buggies are left there, they will be moved to ensure we have access at all times.

I would like to remind you that you do leave your buggies at your own risk and we cannot take responsibility for them. We have never had a problem but it is worthwhile reiterating this point. We do know, from experience, that as the children grow, many buggies are replaces with scooters which naturally take up less space. It is also excellent for the children's general fitness and health and the development of their motor skills to ride a scooter, so we encourage this where appropriate.

CLASS 9 NEWS

BY MISS WIGMORE

Class 9 have been busy this week exploring the classroom and settling into the new routine. Some of favourite activities included making cakes and pizza with the play dough and pouring with coloured water.



For our topic All About Me we had been learning each other's names and playing getting to know you games talking about what we like and our interests.

IN THE GARDEN...

we went on a bear hunt and acted out the story as a class. After a long journey we found the bear who invited us to a tea party and we made lots of food for the party in the sand kitchen. We developed our story telling skills by using props and masks to pretend to be a character and roar like a bear.



In music we played instruments and joined in with singing our favourite songs which included Twinkle Twinkle and Incy Wincy Spider.





CREATIVE MOVEMENT

All Nursery classes had their first Creative Movement session on Wednesday with Miss Harriet and thoroughly enjoyed acting out the story of The Elephant Who Couldn't sleep. The children found it very funny to pretend to jump over a river, stomp like an elephant and jump in a big bath with bubbles.

Wishing you a restful weekend, we are very much looking forward to our learning next week.

