

The Weekly News

BROADHURST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | 13 JANUARY 2023

DEAR PARENTS

I hope you have all had a good week despite to terrible wet weather.

BROADHURST BUSY BEES



This week, we launched our after school club for Nursery children. The children had a lot of fun getting to know each other and playing some welcome games. They also made their very own 'Busy Bees.' We look forward to seeing them again, next week, for more fun and adventure.

STAY AND PLAY

We hope you enjoyed your visit this morning, if you were able to join us. I have heard a lot of very positive comments from parents as to how much they enjoy the opportunity to come into school and spend some time with their children. We are very happy to have you and to continue to build our home/school links.

SICKNESS

We are aware that there are some children suffering with mild illnesses preventing them from attending school, at the moment. Although we would love them to be at school and it is disappointing for them to miss out, it is important that they rest and recuperate at home before returning for their sake and the sake of the rest of the school community. We are grateful for the messages you continue to send to the office to explain children's absence.

WINNIE THE POOH DAY

Next Wednesday, 18 January, we will be celebrating Winnie The Pooh Day. The event is a national awareness day, taking place on the birthday of the author A A Milne. The teachers are looking forward to sharing some stories and the children will be completing a craft activity in recognition of this iconic character and these wonderful stories. If you happen to have a bear you would like to bring in for the day, we would be very happy to have them, to enjoy a teddy bear's picnic with honey sandwiches which we know is one of Pooh Bear's favourites.



Mrs Sylvester

Diary Dates

Wednesday 18 January

Winnie The Pooh Day

Monday 23 January

Chinese New Year

Monday 30 January

National Storytelling Week

Monday 13 January -

Friday 17 January

Half Term



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LET'S TALK ABOUT THE CURRICULUM

LET'S GET COOKING

BY MRS ROBERTS

Children love getting involved in cooking and preparing meals with an adult and there are many learning opportunities within these exciting activities. Let's have a look at some of the benefits:

Cooking together helps children to stay safe: Cooking is a good activity to highlight safety precautions with children. Encouraging rules to keep them safe will broaden children's everyday understanding of risks. Explaining to them not to touch the oven or the hot kettle will encourage understanding of danger.

Cooking together helps children to follow instructions: Cooking involves many different steps and stages and going through these with children can develop their understanding of instructional language such as, next, after and finally.

Cooking together supports fine motor skills: Children may need to roll, knead, stir and shake ingredients which helps to develop the muscles in their hands and fingers.

Cooking together helps to nurture a healthy attitude to eating: Children enjoy exploring different ingredients and seeing how they change when being cooked. This opportunity to explore food first-hand can develop a varied palette and a positive attitude toward healthy eating.



Cooking together develops an understanding of numbers in everyday contexts: children may need to add two teaspoons of flour or use weighing scales in a recipe. This can support a deeper understanding of number and how it is used in everyday situations.

Lastly, it's lots of fun and gives children the chance to develop a range of key transferable skills.

Whether you are asking children to help chop vegetables using a child-friendly knife or baking cupcakes for a special event, cooking together is something that all children will enjoy.



CLASS 10 NEWS

BY MISS ROBB

Class 10 has had a fantastic start to the spring term. This week we made a red cabbage potion. The potion changed colour depending on what ingredients we

put in. When we put lemon into the potion, it turned pink/red and when we added bicarbonate of soda, it changed to blue. It was very exciting!

IN PHONICS

This week, we worked on our phonetical knowledge by making wiggly worms and kangaroo's, where we had to put 'k' words into the kangaroo pouch. We also worked on blending and segmenting CVC words.

Our topic for the term is Plant to Plate. To introduce this topic, we talked about where different food comes from. We then thought about where milk comes from and researched it on the Learning Board together. After our research was done, we made udders with rubber gloves and poured milk into them. We pretended to milk the cow.



IN MATHS

In our Maths sessions we used a giant number line and die to count on from different numbers. We enjoyed jumping from number to number. Ordering the numbers was also fun.



IN THE GARDEN

Outside we practised our gross motor skills by moving a ball in a range of ways. We explored different movements such as throwing, kicking, bouncing and passing the balls.



It was lovely to welcome our mummy's and daddy's back into the classroom this week and we had so much fun showing them what we like to do at school.