



The Weekly News

BROADHURST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | 24TH FEBRUARY 2023

DEAR PARENTS,

This week has flown by and the children have had a fun and fulfilling time. We very much enjoyed hearing all about their half term adventures. Tuesday gave us all the opportunity to celebrate Pancake Day with a wide range of activities including, for many children, the first opportunity to try pancakes for themselves. They went down a treat!

WORLD BOOK DAY

We are really excited to be celebrating World Book Day next Thursday 2 March. We have already heard of many of the costumes the children are planning to wear on the day. We look forward to welcoming parents into school during the course of the week to share, with the children, some of their favourite stories. Please speak directly to your child's class teacher if you would still like to arrange a time to visit.

We would also like to remind you about the book swap. If you would like to bring in a book that you no longer want, we will be happy to give you a token for your child to exchange for a book of their choice next Thursday morning, at drop off, outside school.

SOUTH HAMPSTEAD SCHOOL

South Hampstead Junior School are running their first open event for 2024 entrants next Thursday 2 March. Registrations are also now welcome via the portal on their website, please follow the link to Admissions.

THE HALL SCHOOL VISIT

I welcomed the short walk up to The Hall School on Wednesday. It always surprises me just how close the school is to Broadhurst. It was a great opportunity to meet with Kevin Dobson, Head of the Junior School, to catch up and hear all about the boys who joined, from Broadhurst, last September.

Unfortunately, the boys go home early on a Wednesday so I wasn't able to see them but I was so pleased to hear how they all are.

Mr Dobson has agreed to come to speak with parents who may be considering The Hall as a future school for their sons.

Further details to follow once arrangements have been made.

PARENTS EVENING

Parents Evening appointments are available for next week and you have hopefully received a letter from the school office with details of how to arrange your appointments. We look forward to meeting with you and sharing with you some of the wonderful progress your children have made this term through the work books we will be happy to show you.

I wish you all a happy and safe weekend and I look forward to seeing everyone next week.

Mrs Sylvester

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE CURRICULUM

BY MRS ROBERTS

EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN



What is Expressive Arts and Design?

At Broadhurst School, the children really enjoy opportunities for creativity and sharing of their own ideas. They have weekly planned sessions of Expressive Arts and Design and the subject is also threaded through the learning environment and other subject areas.

Expressive Arts and Design is one of the seven areas of learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. It develops creativity, the use of imagination and encourages the exploration of media and materials.

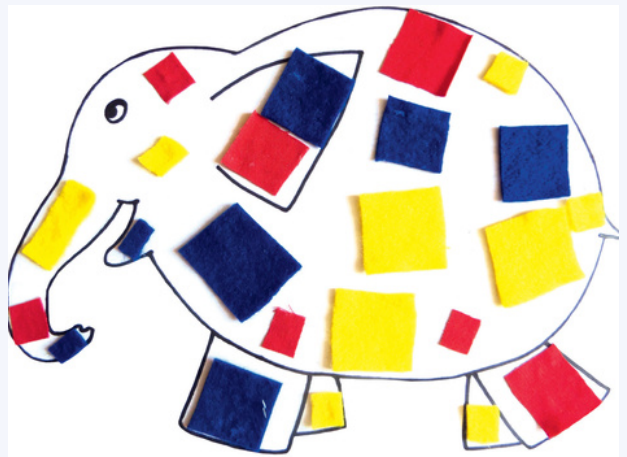
Expressive arts and design include any of the following activities:

- Music and dancing.
- Building with construction materials.
- Painting pictures.
- Craft work with different resources.
- Design work- joining materials and creating models.
- Using imagination- role play and drama.
- Using play dough and other malleable materials.

The importance of Expressive Arts and Design in the Early Years:

Expressive Arts and Design gives children the opportunity to explore their creativity and skills and encourages them to find their own method for completing things. Children can experiment with different materials and use their problem solving skills to create something new. It nurtures a love of music and dance and in turn, develops confidence.

Additionally children develop their communication skills within Expressive Arts and Design, as they talk about what they have made and how they might use or improve it.



CLASS 5 NEWS

BY MISS SAMARA



This week the children have started their new topic of Rainbows. The children enjoyed learning all about the colours in a rainbow and how rainbows form. We created our own paper plate rainbows with many different colours.

PANCAKE DAY!

For Pancake Day the children took part in a number of fun activities, including an activity where they chose the toppings to stick on a pancake. They also had a pancake messy play set up to mix their own pancakes. Finally, the children enjoyed eating a pancake. They thoroughly enjoyed them!



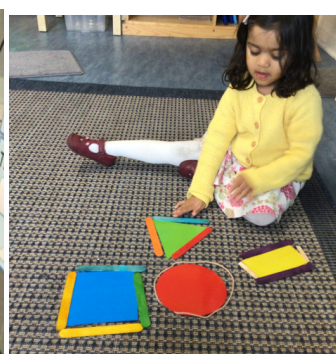
IN PHONICS...

In phonics this week the children have been introduced to a new sound, the letter 'p'. They completed a pink pig painting to highlight 'p' as the initial sound.



IN MATHS...

In maths, Class 5 have been learning about corners and sides in 2D shapes. The children placed counters on the corners of various shapes and used lolly sticks to identify the number of sides.



Class 5 wish you a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday.