



The Weekly News

BROADHURST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | 29 SEPTEMBER 2023

DEAR PARENTS,

MARY BERKERY'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

This Tuesday would have been Mary Berkery's 100th birthday. We wanted to mark this day with a celebration which was a wonderful success.



CURRICULUM TALKS

Mrs Roberts gave an informative talk to parents on Wednesday to explain our approach to teaching phonics with some helpful suggestion of ways to support your child's reading journey at home. If you were unable to attend or would like to watch the recording of her talk, please contact the school office and we will be happy to share this.

Next Tuesday, Mrs Roberts will be giving her second talk, this time on the subject of mathematics. We have rescheduled this due to the expected strikes next week. We hope you will be able to join us.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The following events may be of interest to parents.

Mrs Sylvester



Saint Christina's
Pre-Prep and Prep School
for boys & girls aged 3-11

An outstanding Co-educational School located in St John's Wood

OPEN MORNING
Wednesday 11th October 2023
9.15 to 11.00 am

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We are very excited that we will have the opportunity to meet new and prospective parents and children at our Open Morning on 11th October.

Included in the programme will be a tour around our fabulous new facilities including new classrooms, outdoor learning and break-out spaces for children of all ages, and a beautiful Early Years setting for our Nursery and Reception classes (ages 3 and 4 yrs).

Visitors will also have an opportunity to listen to Mr Gloag, our Headteacher, meet some of our pupils and observe the School in action.

Saint Christina's is one of a very few Catholic independent co-educational Pre-Prep and Prep schools for boys and girls aged 3-11, in North London. With great academic outcomes and strong provision in STEM, sports, and music, amongst other extra-curricular activities, alongside a belief that children should absolutely be allowed to enjoy a rich childhood, we believe we offer a great life and a great beginning.

HOW TO REGISTER

If you would like to join us for our Open Morning, please follow this link on our website: saintchristinas.org.uk/admissions/open-mornings.

Alternatively you can sign up by:

- scanning the QR Code (see below)
- call me, Michelle Hamilton on 020 7722 8784
- email: headteacherspa@saintchristinas.org.uk

We are looking forward to having the opportunity to show you a little more of our warm and friendly school community.



Michelle Hamilton
Headteacher's PA
Admissions & support to Bursar

BROADHURST
School



LET'S TALK ABOUT THE CURRICULUM

BUILDING NUMBER SENSE

BY MRS ROBERTS

In anticipation of the Parent Maths Workshop next week, I wanted to talk about number sense.

Number sense is the ability to both understand and use numbers in practice. It goes beyond recognition of numbers and gives children an understanding of amounts, comparing numbers and understanding the position of numbers. Developing number sense early on can support children's mastery of maths in the future.

How can we help nurture early number sense?

Recognition

Supporting children to recognise numbers both in and out of sequence.

One-to-one correspondence

The ability to count objects by giving each object a number. Encouraging children to move, point or touch each object as they count.

Order

Children understand that numbers by design ascend and descend in a set order, for example, 1,2,3,4,5 or 5,4,3,2,1.



Cardinality

The understanding that the last number said when counting, indicates the total amount.

Magnitude

The concept that a higher number indicates a higher quantity. Helping children understand that when they have a large amount the number will be higher.

How can we support a deeper number sense?

With lots of repetition, exposure to numbers and opportunities to use numbers in context, children will develop a deeper sense of number and harbour a natural curiosity around all things maths.

I look forward to discussing number sense and our maths curriculum at Broadhurst in more detail next week.



CLASS 8 NEWS

BY MISS RIEFFEL

What a fabulous week in Class 8 and for Broadhurst, with it filled with celebrations and lots of learning.

The children have had a jammed packed week h practising the sounds 't' and 'p'. They put on their thinking caps on and sorted out pictures trying to identify the initial sound in each. This was followed by a cheeky pirate dropping a heap of pictures in the sea and the children having to fish them out and decide if their initial sound was 'p'.



As Autumn approaches, the children thought about what kind of natural objects you may find this time of year. With conkers, pine cones and leaves changing colour they made the most wonderful portraits.

In the garden, the children explored London as they travelled from bus stop to bus stop going to visit London bridge, Hampstead Heath and the supermarket.

IN MATHS...

the children relived their last birthdays by making a three or four tier cake, forming the number on it and adding the correct number of candles and flames to the top. Once it was made, they made a wish gave the candles a big blow, also to make sure they were properly glued on.



Please take a look at the beautiful artwork by Class 8 on the pillar outside school this week!