

The Broadhurst Bulletin

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How we celebrated National Storytelling Week

This week at Broadhurst, we have been celebrating ***National Storytelling Week***. This fantastic annual event is a joyful celebration of the power of sharing stories.

We were very fortunate to have welcomed so many parents into school to share their favourite stories and books, and would like to extend a big thank you to them.



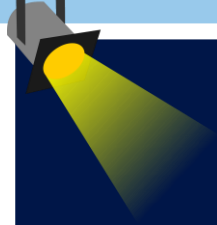
We have even had some stories shared in different languages.

All in all, the children had a fantastic time listening to and getting involved with all this interactive storytelling.



Here at Broadhurst we love a good story! We feel that, not only do stories help the children learn about the world and help them develop essential literacy skills; but they also allow them to step into someone else's shoes and feel empathy - whilst helping them relax and escape for a while.

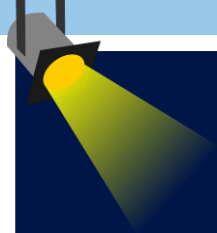




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'Construction Play'





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Construction play is an important aspect in the development of skills mentioned in Jean Piaget's Cognitive Development research. According to Piaget, construction play takes the form of hands-on learning where children are posing questions, testing ideas and making decisions.



When experimenting with a variety of learning materials, children explore and discover. They will take some time to handle the different items, whilst trying to work out how they can most effectively use them. Piaget saw construction play as a transition from functional to symbolic play.

This process of experimenting and evaluating leads children to find new opportunities to explore and discover, thereby helping them to acquire new knowledge.



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Construction play benefits early childhood education by helping children to make sense of the world whilst they develop problem solving skills, gross and fine motor skills, cognitive processing, social skills and language acquisition.

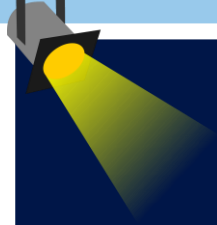
During the activity they will also pose questions, test out different ideas, and make decisions.



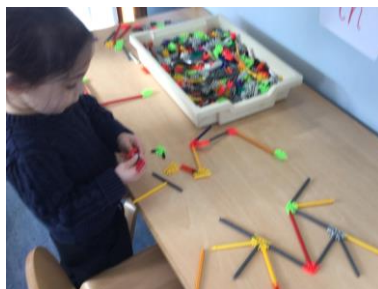
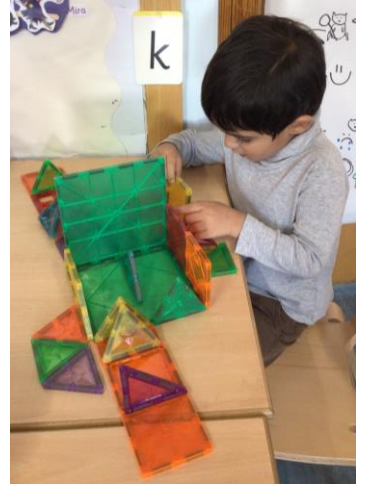
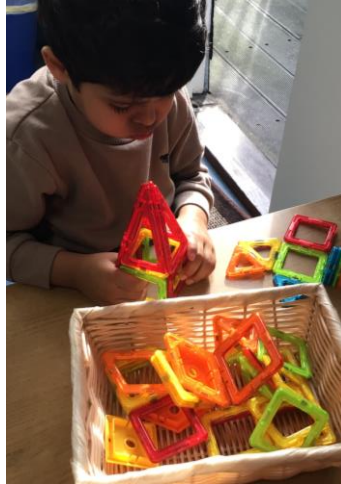
Construction play boosts children's academic abilities, giving them a higher chance of academic success in the future.

It is also great for developing life skills, such as resilience, as children are challenged to adapt their approach when their building does not go to plan or is unstable.

All these skills are vital for a head start in both learning and life!



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Valentines Day - February 14

Half Term: February 17-21

Have a great weekend from all at Broadhurst School!

