

BROADHURST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | MAY 9TH, 2025

From Pirate Ships to Library Trips: A Week of Curiosity and Discovery

This week, the Nursery children have been learning about growth and development, exploring the differences between themselves and a baby. They have been reflecting on all the amazing things they can do now and what they hope to achieve in the future. As part of their focus on health and self-care, they have been discussing teeth and the importance of good oral hygiene, including why we need teeth and how to take care of them.



In Personal Health and Emotional Development, the children have been introduced to the *Zones of Regulation*, helping them begin to identify and express their emotions using colours and visual cues. This approach supports emotional awareness and self-regulation, encouraging children to recognise how they feel and how to manage those feelings.









Pre-Nursery children have continued learning about healthy bodies and healthy lifestyles. They have been dancing expressively to different kinds of music, such as sounds that represent rain or sunshine, encouraging movement and creativity.

This week's sound has been 'n' for noodle, with children searching for items beginning with 'n' in the sensory tray filled with noodles. They have also been learning about prepositions, such as on, under, next to, and above, using Mr. Teddy in imaginative play. A favourite activity was positioning the bear in different places and describing it aloud: "The bear is under the chair!"

In literacy, the children have been working on their own adaptations of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. After re-telling the story together, they created their own mini books, incorporating their knowledge of the days of the week, alongside drawings and early writing, to sequence events and personalise their versions.









In Little Learners, the children have been exploring healthy eating by tasting a range of colourful fruits and creamy yoghurt, accompanied by the humorous and much-enjoyed song Do You Like Broccoli Ice Cream? As part of their Understanding the World topic, they have been classifying food into groups and learning to distinguish between fruits and vegetables.





Physical development has been a key focus too, with fun and engaging games that challenge balance, core strength and coordination, such as learning to stand on one foot. Outdoors, we have been experimenting with pouring and measuring using water jugs and playing imaginatively with sea creatures. There was great excitement when a pirate ship and hidden treasure were discovered in the garden!

SPOTLIGHT OF THE WEEK Library Visit

Nursery Classes 8 and 9 visited Swiss Cottage Library to take part in a Rhyme Time session, learn about how a library works, and spark curiosity and a love for storytelling.





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Notes for Parents

Say Cheese - It's National Smile Month!

Starting Monday 12th May, it's time to celebrate National Smile Month - a fun reminder of the importance of healthy, happy smiles. It's a great opportunity to build positive toothbrushing habits with your little one. Whether it's singing a silly brushing song, counting teeth in the mirror, or turning brushing time into a two-minute game, there are lots of playful ways to make dental care part of your daily routine. Every giggle and grin helps build confidence, and healthy habits, for life!

Have a great weekend from all at Broadhurst School!

