

Broadhurst Weekly Newsletter

28 November 2025

Message from the Headmistress



Dear Families,

It has been an exceptionally busy week at Broadhurst, as many of you will know. We welcomed our ISI inspection team into school, and we expect to receive the report in the coming weeks. I look forward to sharing it with you as soon as it is available.

In the meantime, there is so much to look forward to. I have heard the children practising for their Christmas performances - truly the voices of angels - and it has been wonderful to see the awe and excitement on their faces each morning and afternoon as they admire our beautiful Christmas tree at the front of the school.

A reminder that Parent Drinks and our Christmas Raffle take place next week. It promises to be a lovely opportunity to come together for some festive cheer. We are still gratefully receiving donations for raffle prizes = any additional contributions would be very welcome - and raffle tickets can be purchased from the school office.

After such a full and energetic week, I am certainly looking forward to a restful weekend, and I hope you are too. I look forward to seeing everyone on Monday. Warmest wishes,

Eilish Sleator - Headmistress.







Pre-Nursery

We've had such a fun and busy week in Pre-Nursery!

The children have been busy learning about Thanksgiving and finding out how people celebrate this special festival. Miss Sparkles has also been helping them learn the Christmas songs so they feel confident and ready for the upcoming Christmas concert.

In Understanding the World, the children talked about what Thanksgiving is and how families celebrate it. For Physical Development, they continued practising their gross motor skills by throwing a ball into a hula hoop. Outdoors, the children also enjoyed playing in the mud kitchen and playing in the sand pit.

In maths, they revised 2D shapes, named and sorted them, and then enjoyed creating their own shape turkeys.

As part of their personal, social and emotional development, the children shared ideas about what they are thankful for. In literacy, they took part in pre-writing activities to support their early writing skills, and in phonics, they consolidated their understanding of syllables through games and movement.

For Expressive Arts and Design, the children created their own crafts using a range of materials from around the classroom and were very proud to have them up on display.

















Nursery

This week in class, the children learned the sounds **v** and **y** and practised blending simple CVC words. They have also started learning their lines for the Christmas show and are becoming more confident, speaking clearly in front of others.

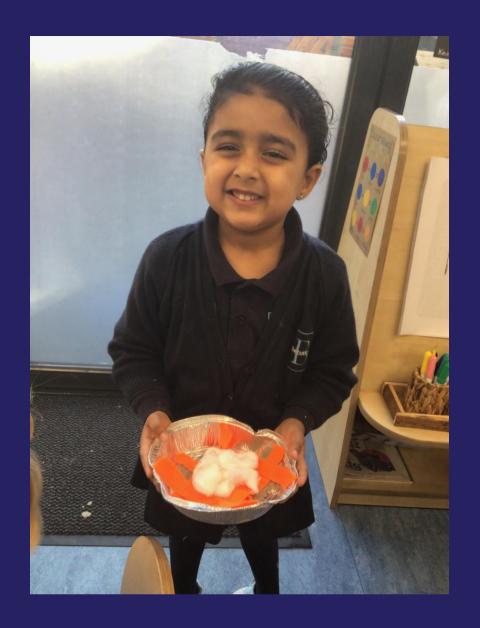
The children explored the concept of Thanksgiving by discussing gratitude, sharing, and various family traditions. In maths, they enjoyed sorting objects by colour, shape, and type and noticing what was the same or different. They also used pictures of Thanksgiving meals to compare these with their own family celebrations and traditions.

In PE, the children worked on rolling, throwing, and catching skills and played partner and team games to build cooperation. During their science exploration, they experimented with building different structures and creating simple 2D and 3D shapes.

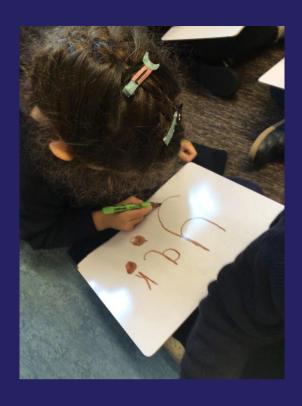
They spent time talking about what it means to be a good friend and what they can do when they feel worried. In literacy, the children drew pictures of something they feel grateful for and wrote captions for the Class Thanksgiving Book. They also enjoyed a creative project making colourful coffee-filter turkeys using colouring, spritzing, and feathers.

As part of assessment preparation, the children practised following multi-step instructions by making paper chains, and in music, they have been enthusiastically practising their Christmas show songs.













Reminders

Parent Christmas Drinks & Raffle: Thursday 4th December @ 6pm.

*We still need raffle prizes so if you wish to donate a raffle prize, please kindly hand it in to the school office as soon as possible.

Pre-Nursery Christmas Concerts: Wednesday 10th December

- Matisse Class @ 9.45am
- Van Gogh Class @ 10.15am
- Picasso Class @ 10.45am
- Monet Class @ 11.15am

Nursery Christmas Concerts: Wednesday 10th December

- Warhol Class 9.15 am
- Kusama 9.45 am

FYI - All children in Camden under the age of 5 can receive a free story book each month in the post from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library to sign up, please follow the link below.

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