

Broadhurst Weekly Newsletter

5th December 2025

Message from the Headmistress



Dear Families,

What a week we have had! It was wonderful to end it with our Parent Drinks last night - such a lovely event, and I'm so glad so many of you were able to join us. For those who couldn't make it, there will certainly be a next time. I am delighted to share that the raffle raised an amazing £360, which will be donated to the Alzheimer's Society. Thank you all for your generosity.

Next week marks our final week of term and brings all the festive joy we look forward to each year: the children's Christmas performances, our visit from Santa, and lots of sparkle to get us all into the Christmas spirit.

On a more serious note, we will be holding a Safeguarding Information Session for parents on Tuesday at 5pm, in light of recent national news coverage. We are also exploring the option of offering this online for ease of access. If you plan to attend, either in person or virtually, please let Arpuna know by Monday, so we can organise an appropriate space and ensure everything runs smoothly.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, and I look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

Eilish Sleator - Headmistress.









Pre-Nursery

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

This week, we have been getting into the festive spirit as we practise the actions for our Christmas songs. In Communication and Language, the children have been sharing their own experiences of Christmas and enjoying conversations about what this special time of year means to them. Through Understanding the World, we have been discussing what Christmas is and the different ways we celebrate it.

In Physical Development, the children have been strengthening their fine motor skills by using their pincer grasp during a range of fun activities. Our Maths focus has been on revising 2D shapes and sorting them by size, helping the children build confidence in recognising and categorising shapes.

In Personal, Social and Emotional Development, the children have been talking about what they would like for Christmas and why these gifts are meaningful to them. In Literacy, we have been engaging with a Christmas story and exploring the traditions that come with the festive season. For Phonics, the children have been listening carefully to identify rhyming words.

In Expressive Arts and Design, everyone has been busy creating their own Christmas decorations for our upcoming concert, adding a lovely personal touch to our celebrations. For Home Learning, we encourage families to continue practising the Christmas songs and actions together at home to help the children feel confident and excited for the performance.













Nursery

This week, the children have been busy preparing for our Christmas show and enjoying lots of festive learning experiences. In Phonics, we have been focusing on the sounds w and th and blending simple CVC words to build early reading confidence. Through Communication and Language, the children have been learning their lines for the Christmas show and practising speaking clearly in front of others.

As part of Understanding the World, we have explored the story of Christmas, discovering what the story of Christmas is and why this celebration is meaningful for many families. In Physical Development, the children have been strengthening their coordination and gross-motor skills through movement games such as "Follow the Star" and by moving in time to our Christmas show songs.

In Maths, we have been learning and applying positional language through fun festive activities. Our problem-solving sessions have encouraged teamwork as the children worked together to design and build a warm home for a toy penguin. We also carried out a Science experiment, investigating the question "How can we melt an ice cube the fastest?" and making exciting discoveries along the way. Within Personal, Social and Emotional Development, we have been discussing how to manage big feelings such as excitement or nerves as the Christmas show approaches.

As part of our assessment preparation, the children have been matching simple show characters to the correct scene, while in Music and Movement, they have continued practising their Christmas songs with enthusiasm. For home learning, we encourage the children to teach their families some of the songs from our Christmas show so they can share in the festive fun.











Reminders

Wednesday 10th December Children may wear a festive jumper on the day of their concert.

Pre-Nursery Christmas Concerts:

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

Wednesday 10th December

Nursery Christmas Concerts:

- Warhol Class 9.15 am
- Kusama 9.45 am

Friday 12th December

Last day of term – all children finish at 12pm