



Miss Hodge's weekly update

This has been a lovely week of learning at Bromley Heath Infant School. In their first full week at school, EYFS have settled into the routine of phonics in the Fred Room, already working on initial sounds and the 'Fred Log' pencil grip.

In year one, the children have written party invitations to 'Bog Baby' inviting him to a party this afternoon before he returns to his bog. In year two, they have continued purposeful writing about Bristol by writing letters to the mayor to suggest how improvements could be made to the city. Both year groups have also enjoyed art this week: in year one, focussing on different methods of shading and making lines, before completing their own optical illusion pictures based on the work of Bridget Riley; in year two, focussing on shading as well as tone - making shading lighter and darker in a scale.

Our Monday assembly this week focused on how children with hearing loss may have adaptations in the classroom and equipment to help them learn. We reflected on different children needing different things to be successful and this week, we particularly looked for children demonstrating that they are 'Understand Others Bears'. Well done to the below.

Wessex Water have visited all KS1 classes today for an interactive and fun workshop on what can go down the toilet! They were amazed at things that have been found, which damage pipes and the environment, and learnt about the three Ps which can go into toilet.

Our Three Golden Rules

We are respectful.

We are ready to learn.

We walk proudly.

Our 'Star Learners' are selected each week for outstanding behaviour and attitudes, having demonstrated our three rules at all points and worked hard 'the best that we can be'. A huge well done and thank you to -

Oscar (Dolphins)

Albie (Leopards)

Henry (Lions)

Maia (Penguins)



The following children have been recognised as having been working especially hard this week to be **'the best that we can be'**. Our Bromley Bears support children in developing personal attributes, with the aim of making successful lifelong learners.

<u>Penguin class</u>	<u>Lion class</u>	<u>Leopard class</u>	<u>Dolphin class</u>
Maisie Understand Others Bear	Amber Understand Others Bear	Bobby Understand Others Bear	Addison Understand Others Bear
Harvey Understand Others Bear	Coen Understand Others Bear	Betsan Understand Others Bear	Beau Understand Others Bear





We need your help!

We are very passionate about play at BHIS and have been sorting and organising our classroom and outdoor learning environments. We have a few things missing that would enhance the children's play and wondered if you would be able to help? You may have old things at home that we would be very grateful to have and use at school.

Mud kitchen, sand and water play items	General items	Natural items
• Saucepans • Frying pans • Bowls • Ladles • Hand whisks • Bucket and spades • Measuring jugs • Sieves • Funnels • Rolling pins • Measuring spoons • Pipettes	• Beanbags to sit on • Dressing up clothes (this can include hats and accessories) • Toy babies, clothes and accessories • Screwdrivers • Tape measures • Animals and people figures • Cake/cookies cutters and tools for play dough • Plastic tea sets	• Large stones/pebbles • Interesting shells • Pine cones

There will be a box for donations outside the front of the school during school hours.

We will have lots of fun playing (and learning independently)!

Thank you in advance,

All of the team at Bromley Heath Infant School



DATES FOR DIARIES

Friday 30th September	Wessex Water visiting—water workshops
Monday 3rd October	Reception reading and writing workshop (18:00)
Friday 7th October	Year 2 open afternoon (14:45) - opportunity to look at your child's learning ahead of parent consultations
Thursday 13th October	Karen Lord, children's author (and aunt of Miss Lee), visiting our school
Thursday 13th October	EYFS and year 1 open afternoons (14:45) - opportunity to look at your child's learning ahead of parent consultations
Wednesday 19th October/ Thursday 20th October	Parent consultations
Friday 21st October	Last day of term 1.
Monday 31st October	First day of term 2.
w/c 7th November/ w/c 14th November	Reading students in EYFS
w/c 7th November	Awe and Wonder week
Wednesday 9th November	EYFS workshop for parents 18:00
Monday 14th November	Individual photos
Tuesday 15th November	Jonathan's Jungle Roadshow (Y2)
Wednesday 16th November	Y1 Curriculum workshop for parents 18:00 Y2 Curriculum workshop for parents 18:30
Friday 18th November	Children in Need Nasal-flu vaccinations for children
Wednesday 23rd November	Production of 'Beauty and the Beats' for the whole school by M and M Productions
Wednesday 7th December	Full Governing Board Meeting 2
Friday 9th December	EYFS performance to parents
Monday 13th December/ Tuesday 13th December	KS1 performance to parents
Wednesday 14th December	Christmas lunch
Thursday 15th December	Christmas parties
Friday 16th December	Last day of T2.

Holidays in term time

Please note that we are unable to authorise holidays in term time as per our policy, based on DFE and local guidance. Last year, our attendance figures were lower than previous years because of Covid-related illness absence; repeated outbreaks of chicken pox, and families going on holidays postponed due to Covid restrictions. Please do consider whether there are alternative options if booking a holiday in term time. A two week holiday will reduce your child's attendance over the year by over 5%, and below our target for each child; this results in significant loss of learning opportunities.

Parking safely

If you need to drive your child to school, please do not park on the pavement, or partially on the pavement, as this means parents with pushchairs have to go out into the road.

Thank you.



You may note sticker in the next few weeks in the inside cover of your child's reading record. We have invested in e-books so that you can read the same book the children have been working on in guided reading at home. Details on this will follow just before half term.

Nasal –flu Vaccinations

Sirona nursing team will be on site on Friday 18th November to administer the nasal-flu vaccinations. A letter has been sent to you from our admin team.



We are holding our 'Harvest Festival' in school on Wednesday 5th October. Our assembly will be held in the afternoon and it will include a visit from the Salvation Army band. As well as the brass band performance, they will talk to the children about how the collection will be used when it is taken to their food bank. We have chosen the Salvation Army because of local, community connections but also because their foodbank does not require an application to collect from: this in itself can be a barrier for some in need. Thank you in advance for your generosity - please bring items to school for Wednesday morning if you are able to donate.

They have asked us to collect the following non-perishable food items to restock their food bank -

- rice, pasta, breakfast cereal
- tea bags, coffee, biscuits
- tins of potatoes, vegetables, fish, ham, chicken, luncheon meat, meatballs, steak, tomatoes, baked beans, Fray Bentos pies