

Mrs Perry-Hodge's weekly update



This term's 'What a Wonderful World' theme is full of science, awe and wonder about the world around us, and practical learning.

In EYFS this week, the children have continued their learning about all things shark related, following their trip to the aquarium last week. Last Friday (with photographs received this week - a HUGE thank you to Mr Ox!), the children made the real-life size shape of a whale shark and a blue whale really giving them the idea of the scale of these marine animals and were photographed from a drone - see page 2. This week, Giraffe and Zebra have been inspired by these amazing images, writing about the whale shark, or blue whale or about how the photographs were taken from a drone. We are so impressed by their writing - and very proud.

In year one, the children have continued their science learning about animal classification, considering carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. Their zoo trip yesterday provided an excellent opportunity to observe different animal groups and the workshop 'Meet and Greet the Animals' allowed them to get a closer look. The children are also continuing to read and write stories based on eggs; this week producing descriptive writing about 'Hattie Peck'. They have also started listening to a chapter book for the first time 'The Penguin Who Wants to Find Out Why': this helps them to bolster the vocabulary they are using in their writing as well as develop listening skills.

Year two have also continued their science learning and this week enjoyed a 'welly walk' to investigate habitats and mini-beasts within them. They discovered and observed a variety of habitats, allowing them to conclude what different mini-beasts need to keep healthy. We are also impressed with their innovated stories based on 'The Last Wolf', with children challenging themselves to include a range of conjunctions and adjectives. They are becoming great 'Improve Bears', increasingly going back to their writing to make revisions or add further detail. Fractions can be tricky but our year twos have used multiplication and division facts to calculate fractions of quantities, such as $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of 15 or $\frac{2}{3}$ rd of 15 - first by drawing circles/ arrays and then by working out in their heads! Clever stuff Leopard and Dolphin!

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 to be 'the best that they can be'. A huge well done and thank you to -

Charlie Ho (Dolphins)

Sophia (Leopards)

Dara (Lions)

Eleanor (Penguins)

Betsy (Zebra)

Jake (Giraffe)



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 and

<u>Giraffe class</u>	<u>Zebra class</u>	<u>Penguin class</u>	<u>Lion class</u>	<u>Leopard class</u>	<u>Dolphin class</u>
Freddie S Improve Bear	Finn Imagine Bear	Nathan Challenge Yourself Bear	Emily W Work Well Bear	Mya Concentrate Bear	Maddison Work Well Bear
Marina Work Well Bear	Brooke Imagine Bear	Samantha Imagine Bear	Lennie Concentrate Bear	James Improve Bear	Harry R Concentrate Bear





EYFS in the shape (and size) of a blue whale and a whale shark.



Our whole school marking our 'Outstanding' Ofsted report

Thank you Mr Ox for your time and expertise!



Year Two 'Welly Walk' investigating mini-beasts in their habitats



Year One at Noah's Ark Zoo



NOTICES

Message from Shelley Humphries - Chair of Governors at Bromley Heath Infant School

OFSTED update:

On behalf of the full governing body, I would like to congratulate the school on its recent Ofsted report. The 'outstanding' judgement really is a reflection of the amazing education, love and support that the children who attend our school receive every single day. The staff truly strive 'to be the best they can be' through their detailed and carefully considered curriculum, extensive and supportive personal development programmes and fantastic leadership at all levels.

Well done Bromley Heath Infants a much deserved and well earned outcome for a truly outstanding team of people.

Governing body update:

I would also like to welcome two new parent governors to our team: Neil Pearce and Mark Langmead and thank them in advance for their time and dedication to this really important role.

Holidays in term time

Please note that we are unable to authorise holidays in term time as per our policy (joint with BHJ), 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.

<https://www.bromleyheathinfantschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Attendance-and-Punctuality-Policy-January-2022-BHI-and-BHJ.pdf>



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Natalie Cox, our school nurse, will be at BHI between 4 and 5 on Wednesday 22nd March (during parents' consultations. This will give parents and carers an opportunity to discuss concerns with the school nursing service: these could be around the areas on the poster, including anxiety.

Winning jokes!

We have had much fun today in classes listening to jokes to mark Red Nose Day. The winning jokes are below.

Name and class	Winning joke!
Giraffe - Oscar R	What is the key to opening a banana? A Monkey!
Zebra - Charlie	Three men came to a magic slide. The first man said 'gold' and he landed in a pile of gold. The second man said 'sweets' and he landed in a pile of sweets. The third man didn't know the rules of the slide and he said 'weeeeeeeeeee' and he landed in a pot of wee!
Penguin - Elliot	What is black and white, black and white, black and white? A panda rolling down the hill!
Lion - Oliver Q	What do you get when you come across a sheep and a trampoline? A woolly jumper!
Leopard - Ollie	Why was Mrs Dickson wearing sunglasses? Because Leopard Class were so bright!
Dolphin - Charlotte	What is a snake's favourite subject in school? Hissssstory !!

In total, your donations have raised £ 123.60 for Comic Relief. Many thanks for all your support.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS TERM—ALSO TAKING BOOKINGS FOR T5 FOR ART AND SCIENCE NOW



Our art club, run by local artist Catherine Williams, has continued to prove popular. Even the school staff have had a lesson! The club will take place on Mondays (starting on Monday 27th February and ending on Monday 27th March) for children in year one and two.

The cost for the club is £5 a session so £25 for the term (this cost includes all materials) as there will be five sessions because of the INSET on Monday 20th Feb). There will be a maximum of 15 children for this club, and they will take part in a different project each week that they will complete and take home.

To book, please contact Catherine Williams using the following email catherinewilliamsprintmaker@gmail.com address or by calling 07966 328525 for details. Her website is <http://www.catherinewilliams.co.uk/the-artist/>



Fun Science After School Programme at Bromley Heath Infants Term 4 '22/'23

After half term, Fun Science will be coming to run our after school club for an hour a week after school on a Friday. The programme is open to children in years 1 & 2.

There will be a mix of bubbling potions, mini explosions, science crafts and gross science! All of our sessions are hands-on and full of lots of fun experiments!

Activities will be different to those done previously, so children are welcome to sign up again.

The cost for the 6 week programme is £42.

FRIDAY - Sessions weekly from **24th February – 31st March**.

The sessions will run for an hour after school (3:15-4:15) and will be located in a room on site at the school.

For more information about Fun Science, including our other services such as birthday parties, please visit www.fun-science.org.uk. You can email any queries to bath@fun-science.org.uk or call 07708214840.

If you would like your child/children to attend the science after school club, please book them on using the following link –

www.fun-science.org.uk/bh-term4-2023

Email bath@fun-science.org.uk or call 07708 214840 if you have any problems with the booking system.

Please note, booking is essential.

Available to book using this link www.signatureportscoaching.co.uk

Tuesday: sports-hall athletics for Y1/ 2

Wednesday: Football for Y1/2

Thursday: ball-games for EYFS/Y1/Y2

Friday: dance for EYFS/ Y1/ Y2

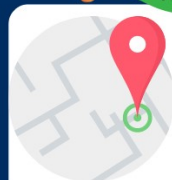
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KEY DATES FOR DIARIES T4/ T5

Friday 17th March TONIGHT	FOS Pamper Night for Mother's Day (7 -10pm)
Monday 20th March 2:45-3:10 TBC	End KS1 Statutory Assessment Information for Year 2 Parents/ Carers
Monday 20th March 3:45-5:15	KS1 Sports Festival (Mangotsfield). Please let us know if you would like your child to take part.
Tuesday 21st/ Wednesday 22nd March	Parents' consultations
Wednesday 22nd March 4-5	School nursing team on site to offer advice/ guidance to families who may need advice, support or guidance (see poster on page 2).
Thursday 23rd March	Zebra class assembly - Time to Shine 2:45 (showcasing the term's learning).
Friday 24th March	Giraffe class assembly - Time to Shine 2:45 (showcasing the term's learning).
w/c 27th March	Science Week, starting with an 'Explorer Dome' visit on Monday 27th March; this will finish on Friday 31st March with a whole-school and families habitat project. A letter has gone out with details.
Tuesday 28th March	EYFS litter pick at Queensholm Park
Friday 31st March	End of T4
Monday 17th April	Start of T5 'What's at the Bottom of the Garden?'
Monday 1st May	May Day bank holiday - school closed
Monday 8th May	King's coronation (bank holiday) - school closed
w/c 8th and 15th May	KS1 statutory assessments
w/c 22nd May	Art week, finishing with a whole-school gallery on Friday 26th in the hall after school.
w/c 22nd May	FOS plant sale with honesty box
Friday 26th May	End of T5