

Newsletter 22

Friday 3rd March

Mrs Perry-Hodge's weekly update

To celebrate book week, we have been celebrating books and the power of stories even more than usual at BHI this week.

On Monday, every child came to school with their favourite book and laid them out as a book blanket in their classrooms; the children then had an opportunity to talk to their friends about their choice and why they would recommend it. The wonderful world of children's literature is ever-expanding and it was fantastic to see such variety of choice. Throughout the week, the children have been listening to different stories: whether online, organised by World Book Day; listening to authors who have recorded audio versions of their books, prompting the children to really imagine what the characters might look like, or from teachers across the school. It was lovely to have the children back for bed time stories - thank you to our Friends of School for organising refreshments and to our teachers for giving up their time. The costumes that the children dressed in yesterday were brilliant and further inspired discussion about books, characters and plots: again, this has encouraged children to read different fiction or non-fiction books having seen the enthusiasm from their peers. Thank you to you all at home for your efforts.

The wonderful thing about World Book Day is that it encourages children to read for pleasure; multiple research papers have concluded that this is the largest indicator of a child's future success. This research, as well as a desire to capture enthusiasm in books, is why we consider so carefully the development of reading for pleasure in our approach to reading - going far beyond phonics. We do this in various ways, including 'Book Club', where we read a story each day with the children, discuss characters and plot or facts, and then at the end of the week, the children each explain which was their favourite and we have a class vote - with our own literary award each week for the most popular. We also select our class texts with care, changing and adding to them each year, to ensure that we are grabbing the children's interest; developing knowledge, including a wide and vivid vocabulary; their ability to empathise with characters; to predict what might happen next, with reference to the text, and to make comparisons between books.

Well done BHI for a great book week and a big thank you to Mrs Dickson for organising.



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 -

William (Dolphins)

Ned (Leopards)

Lewis (Lions)

Elliot Ri (Penguins)

Emmie (Zebra)

Jesse (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>
Ellis Work Well Bear	Megan Challenge Yourself Bear	George Work Well Bear	Noah Improve Bear	Albie Improve Bear	Harry Lee Challenge Yourself Bear
Harry Improve Bear	Millie Challenge Yourself Bear	Maia Challenge Yourself Bear	Autumn Concentrate Bear	Amelie Keep Going Bear	Evan Challenge Yourself Bear







NOTICES

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>

Shoe boxes and cardboard!

We are always grateful for cardboard boxes sent in for play projects. Thank you! Please keep to one side at home a shoe-box (or box of similar size) ready for Friday 31st March as Miss Lee, our science lead, is busy planning science week to end with a whole-school (and families) habitat project for which we will all need a shoe-box!



Community Children's Health Partnership

NHS

School Health Nurses
Free webinars for
parents and carers

Practical and informative online sessions from your expert team of local School Health Nurses.

Our webinars last between 30 and 45 minutes, with the opportunity to ask questions throughout. They're suitable for parents and carers of children and young people of all ages.



Topics include:

- Keeping your child happy and healthy
- Healthy eating and physical activity
- Supporting your child's emotional wellbeing
- Eating disorder awareness
- Dental health
- Sleep

Find out more and book your free space:
cchp.nhs.uk/schoolnursewebinars



Service provided by
Sirona
care & health

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.

We would like to invite you to our

Mothers Day *Pamper Evening*



Friday 17th March, 7pm until 10pm
Bromley Heath Infants Hall

Why not come along and enjoy a glass of something nice whilst browsing the gorgeous products our stall holders have on offer. You could even treat yourself to a little massage, some reiki or get your fortune read.

Tickets are £7 and include the entrance fee, a drink at the bar, a raffle ticket and a small gift from us. Please note this is an adult only event.



Bromley Heath Infants



Click on link for ticket: https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofbromleyheathinfantschool/#.Y_igrnbp1Pa

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS TERM



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

Signature
**SPORTS
COACHING**

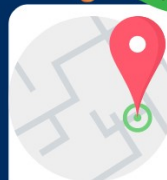
Progressive Active Camps



3 APR
—
14 APR



EASTER



Find us at...

Blackhorse Primary School, BS16 6TR
Bromley Heath Infant & Junior School, BS16 6NJ
Hanham Primary Federation, BS15 3PN
Watermore Primary School, BS36 2LE

BOOK
NOW!

ONLY
£20
PER DAY

Scan the QR code to book now:

SCAN ME

ANY QUESTIONS? EMAIL OUR COMMUNITY
MANAGER JAKE:



J.SCANLON@PROGRESSIVE-SPORTS.CO.UK



FANCY 10% OFF? USE MY COACHES
CODE AT CHECKOUT

10%
OFF



KEY DATES FOR DIARIES T4/ T5

Wednesday 8th March	Y1 trip to Noah's Arc Zoo as part of our 'It's a Wonderful World' whole-school theme, to further learning around habitats.
Thursday 9th March	EYFS trip to the Aquarium building on their learning about sharks and ocean animals/ habitats.
Friday 10th March	Year 1 open afternoon: this is an opportunity to see books and talk to your child about their learning and achievements before parents' consultations.
Monday 13th March	EYFS Phonics Workshop (new learning) 2:45-3:15
Wednesday 15th March	EYFS litter pick at Queensholm Park
Wednesday 15th March	Full Governing Body meeting 4
Friday 17th March	Year 2 open afternoon: this is an opportunity to see books and talk to your child about their learning and achievements before parents' consultations.
Friday 17th March	Red Nose Day
Friday 17th March	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. Details to follow.
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
w/c 22nd May	FOS plant sale with honesty box
Friday 26th May	End of T5