

Mrs Perry-Hodge's weekly update

We have had a lovely day today making crowns ahead of our Coronation party next Friday. The children's ideas were imaginative and ambitious! They also built thrones and drew portraits of the King.

As part of 'What's at the Bottom of our Garden?', children in EYFS have been making flowers; building mini-beast gardens; printing using root vegetables and potatoes; building beanstalks, and measuring sunflowers. Of course, they have also been working hard on their phonics every day and in maths, working on subtraction with objects and learning super maths facts.

In year one, the children have been learning about the life cycle of a sunflower; the structure of plants and flowers, and writing precise instructions to any green-fingered enthusiasts for how to grow their own sunflowers. Play projects focused on keeping bees as well as St George's Day have been great fun. In maths, the children have been learning about equal groups and multiplication, including drawing arrays to calculate the answers to questions.

Year twos have also been working hard on multiplication and division, including proving their answers by showing workings or using related facts. They have also been applying times tables knowledge of 2s, 5s and 10s to measure scales - an easy one also to practise at home. In English, they have produced fantastic, descriptive diary entries from Lila's point of view, based on 'Lila and the Secrets of Rain'. They have especially been thinking about conjunctions and the power of three to create engaging and emotive pieces. Their DT has been particularly challenging: learning to sew using a running stitch in order to create beautiful, fabric garden birds. These will be displayed in our art gallery at the end of term but there is a sneak preview overleaf.

Fingers crossed for a sunny bank holiday weekend when we can all enjoy our gardens or local parks.



Our Three Golden Rules

We are respectful.

We are ready to learn.

We walk proudly.

Our 'Science 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 -

Maddison (Dolphins)

Lani (Leopards)

Sasha (Lions)

George (Penguins)

Alice (Zebra)

Ozzie (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, with the aim of making successful lifelong learners.

<u>Giraffe class</u>	<u>Zebra class</u>	<u>Penguin class</u>	<u>Lion class</u>	<u>Leopard class</u>	<u>Dolphin class</u>
Eve Challenge Yourself Bear	Lyla Work Well Bear	Theo Challenge Yourself Bear	Marley Work Well Bear	Xaichen Improve Bear	Addison Improve Bear
Beau Improve Bear	Millie Imagine Bear	Evie Concentrate Bear	Ellis Keep Going Bear	Betsan Work Well Bear	Beau Improve Bear



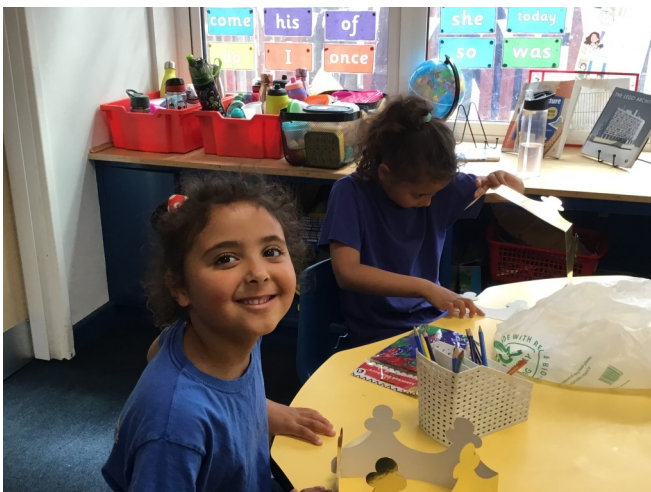
Planting sunflowers in Year 1



Buttering breads and tasting them; choosing favourites in Year 1



Crown making in Y1—play project



Crown play projects ahead of our Coronation Party next Friday (year 1).



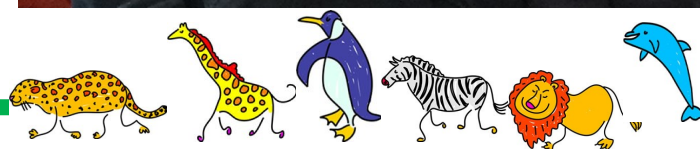
Crown play projects ahead of our Coronation Party next Friday (Year 2).



Running stitch and fabric birds in Year 2



Crown play projects ahead of our Coronation Party next Friday in EYFS.



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Baby wait!

Today was a momentous day at BHI as it was Mrs Dickson's final day in Leopard class for this year. She is now starting her maternity leave ahead of the baby being born in a few weeks.

Mrs Dickson has not only taught Leopard this year but was also their class teacher for half of their Lion year - I know that all of the children and families who work with Mrs Dickson were delighted that she continued with them in year two as she is a fantastic class teacher: as experienced and skilled in delivering the curriculum as she is nurturing, with a brilliant understanding of all the children, and their needs, in her care. She will be much missed during her maternity leave but we are all excited to see pictures of the baby when he arrives and wish Mrs Dickson, and her family, all the very best at this special time.

We are very grateful to Mrs Edbrooke and Mrs Gregory from our existing year 2 team, who will be covering the class until the end of the academic year, bringing continuity for our lovely Leopards. Miss Stirling, Leopard student teacher, remains with them until the end of this term.

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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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS NEXT TERM (start first week back)



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 (Monday 17th and 24th April, Monday 15th and 22nd May), for children in year one and two.

The cost for the club is £5 a session so £20 for the four sessions (as two Mondays in T5 - Monday 1st and 8th May - are both bank holidays when school will be closed). 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/>



- Tuesday - Athletics (Years 1 & 2)
- Wednesdays - Football (Years 1 & 2)
- Thursday - Ball Games (Reception, Year 1 & Year 2)
- Friday - Dance (Reception, Year 1 & Year 2)

To book, click on <https://www.signaturesportscoaching.co.uk/school/bromley-heath-infants-school>



Fun Science After School Programme at Bromley Heath Infants Term 5 '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 **21st April-26th May**.

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-t5-23

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

Please note, booking is essential.

KEY DATES FOR DIARIES T4/ T5

Friday 31st March	End of T4
Monday 17th April	Start of T5 'What's at the Bottom of the Garden?'
Wednesday 26th April 2:50	Y1 Phonics Screening—information sessions for parents
Thursday 27th April	Teacher strike action: school closed to children in EYFS and Y1
Friday 28th April	Crown making play project—please send your child in with materials to make their crown (other than glue/ tape)
Monday 1st May	May Day bank holiday - school closed
Tuesday 2nd May	Teacher strike action: school closed to children in EYFS and Y1
Friday 5th May	Coronation party—children come to school dressed in red, white and blue and enjoy a party in the afternoon (also wearing crowns made the week before).
Monday 8th May	King's coronation (bank holiday) - school closed
w/c 2nd, 8th, 15th and 22nd 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 pm	Art Gallery (hall). Times to be confirmed for families to visit.
Friday 26th May	End of T5
Monday 5th June	Start of T6
Thursday 8th June	Y1 trip to Winterbourne Medieval Barn Y2 trip to M-Shed
w/c 12th June	Y1 phonics screening
Monday 12th June	Class photos
Thursday 15th June	Y2 Olympiad (TBC)
Friday 16th June	BHI and BHJ joint summer fayre - after school
w/c 19th June	Sports week
Tuesday 20th June pm	'Sports day'
Wednesday 21st June pm	Reserve 'Sports day'
Wednesday 27th/ Thursday 28th June	NCMP (Height, weight & vision screening) EYFS
w/c 3rd July	Raisin Box Challenge
Wednesday 12th July	Y1 trip Berkeley Castle
Wednesday 12th - Friday 14th July	FOS Nearly New Uniform sale
Tuesday 18th July	Y2 play to families 1:30 followed by graduation
Friday 21st July	End of Term 6