

Brampton Primary School

<u>Dates for your diary 2022</u> <u>Wednesday 19th January</u> 2022

 Egypt and Tanzania visit Discover Story telling Centre

Wednesday 26th January 2022

 Cameroon and Morocco visit Discover Storytelling Centre

Thursday 27th January 2022

Year 5 Science
 Museum Visit

Monday 31st January 2022

 Dental Oral Health Workshop - Nursery (virtual)

Wednesday 2nd - 9th February 2022

 Scholastic Travelling Books - book fair

Tuesday 8th February 2022

 Dental Oral Health Workshop - Nursery (virtual)

> Parents' Evening 9th & 10th February





Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Staff Absences

As you might be aware, schools are struggling to manage exceptional staff shortages due to the pandemic. We are doing our best to be consistent with the cover we are using for classes where there is longer term absence, however supply agencies are also suffering from staff absences so we also have to manage that. Please be assured that we are doing everything we possibly can to remain open and operational, whilst providing the best education we can.

Covid-19 Self-Isolation Changes

From Monday, any child (or adult) who has tested positive can return to school (work) after 5 days isolation, provided they meet the following requirements:

They must have consecutive negative lateral flow tests on both day 5 and day 6 - this would mean testing first thing in the morning on day 6, in order to return to school on time. If they test positive on day 5, they then have to have 2 negative tests on days 6 & 7. If they test positive on day 6, they then have to have 2 negative tests on days 7 & 8 and so on until day 10.

If your child is unwell, they should not return to school until they feel better.

Birthday Celebrations

Whilst not wanting to be killjoys and ban all forms of sugary treats, we are still trying our best to be as healthy as possible. We recognise how important it is for many children to celebrate their birthday by sharing goodies with friends in their class. If you want to bring in treats to share on your child's birthday, please ensure it is a single box of small sweets such as Heroes, Celebrations, Quality Street or Roses.

From now on class teachers will not be able to cut and share birthday cakes, or hand out cupcakes during the busy end of the day. If you wish to bring in larger treats to share, you must bring them at the end of the day, and share them in the playground yourself.

Finally...

If the bulletin appears full of misery, I can assure you that here in school, there is fun, laughter and the children are having a fabulous time. Year 1 looked super excited this morning on their way to their trip on the Thames Clipper and the Emirates Airline. Clubs have restarted and seeing children getting excited about the fun things at the end of the day, makes coming to school so worthwhile. The last two years have been tough, but I firmly believe that there is no better therapy for your wellbeing and mental health than being in a school full of primary school-aged children.

Make sure you read a good book this weekend and enjoy some fresh air.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Kevin Reid

Headteacher



Big Talk Home Learning

If children can't say it then children can't write it.

Dear All,

This weekend's BTHL 14th / 15th / 16th January

Our assembly theme this half term is 'Dreams and Goals'. During these first few days back at school, we have been thinking about fresh starts and setting goals.

What was your New Year's Resolution, why did you make it and what can you do to ensure that you stick to it?



News from EYFS - Nursery

The Nursery children have had a magical start to the week. The children were greeted on Monday by the nursery team dressed as unicorns, this was to celebrate the start of our new topic - Magical Mysteries.

We had a fun week learning many facts about unicorns and participating in unicorn themed activities. These included the children practising their maths skills by counting cubes to make unicorn horns. In the messy area, they explored what happens when we mix coloured vinegar with baking powder and during circle time, the children tested their spatial awareness skills by playing a game of pin the horn on the unicorn.









The children have been learning a new unicorn song and the actions that accompany it. In the outdoor area, we have been learning how to move like a unicorn by jumping, galloping and skipping.

This week we are reading the story Sugarlump and the Unicorn by Julia Donaldson.

You can find a link to this story on Microsoft Teams.



Reception Online Application

Outcome: Tuesday 19th April 2022



Please remember to log onto your Microsoft Teams every week to gain access to Home Learning and to read any communication from the nursery team. You can find your log on details on the inside of the children's reading records.

Birthdays in Nursery



Faizah & Yashnika



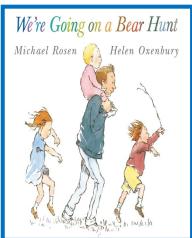


Inclusion

Gathered around their teacher they waited. Eyes fixed in anticipation of the experience about to befall them. As the objects were held up, enraptured silence swept across the room. Every day debris, normally ignored, drew in the eager audience; leaves, twigs and detritus, creating wonder, as if never seen. The amazing world around us, the seasons that govern our lives and the changes we often take for granted, when explored from new perspectives, never fail to inspire.



This half term the children in the autism spectrum disorder hubs and resource provision are using their imaginations to explore the world around them, through engaging with the seasons and every day materials. They will be yet again taken on an amazing journey of discovery, interacting with interesting objects, employing the five senses to learn about them and demonstrating their understanding in amazing ways. Whether searching for wild animals, across treacherous rivers, through slimy swamps and into dank and dark caves – all courtesy of the wonderful *We're going on a Bear Hunt* by Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury – or thinking about the dangers twigs and their families often face in the 21st century – have a read of *Stick Man* by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler if you are as yet unaware of the daily challenges brushwood face – the children will be drawn into new perspectives and encouraged to let their fancies run free.

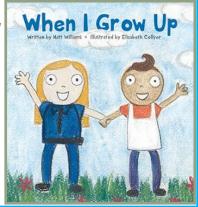


Obviously, imagination plays a crucial role in these journeys, and there are few better stories than *The Wizard of Oz* that demonstrate the fantastical. The children will be using the characters, themes and objects to begin, and enjoy, their own voyages of discovery.



Looking inwards, the children will also be exploring their own bodies and how they will change and develop over time. What will it be like growing up? What will I need to be able to do? These are crucial questions and vital areas of learning for all children. Through PE and PSHE, the children will be developing their understanding of themselves and exploring what growing up will be like.

Where can our imagination take us? No doubt, by the end of the half term, the children will realise the possibilities are endless.





Other Information



Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to invite all children to take part in the Winter Reading Challenge taking place in all Newham Libraries.

It's easy to take part, just call in to any Newham library and ask a member of the team for details.

The aim of the Challenge is for children to borrow and read three books of their choice from 6^{th} December -30^{th} January. When they join, children will receive a Reading Record to write down the names of the books they have read and to collect their sticker rewards.

Each child who finishes the Challenge by reading three books or more will receive a certificate, given to them at the library.

Encouraging your child to read over the holidays has huge benefits and we really hope they will discover the joy of finding some great books in our libraries over the hope they holidays.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Newham Libraries Team

School Lunch Menu - Week 3

















Beginning: 15 Nov, 6 Dec, 17 Jan, 7 Feb, 7 Mar, 28 Mar

