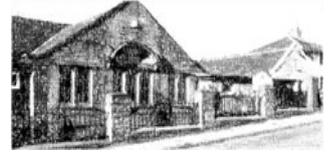




Bradleys Both CP School

FRIDAY NEWS



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Friday 16th October 2020

Dear Children, Parents and Staff,

Happy Friday everyone! It has been another great week at Bradleys Both with lots of busy and focused children learning around school. I have been amazed by what our youngest Class 1 children have been able to tell me about their space topic this week. The children excitedly showed me their rocket role play area which has definitely been the area they have enjoyed working in the most this week!

I have been covering a few mornings in Brads Before Club which has been good to see how the children are so used to their routines and play so well together in their key stage bubbles. While I attempted the skipping challenges and mindful puzzles, unfortunately a number of the children beat my scores.

Head Girl and Boy applications

It has been great to receive so many applications from our Year 6 children this week to stand for the Head Girl and Boy school election. The children's manifestos have been interesting to read and we are looking forward to sharing these with the rest of the children in school next week. Well done to all our Year 6 children who have taken the decision to apply. I look forward to informing you of the results of our election.

Sharing of Assessment and Progress this term

Following our first half term of returning to school and settling back into school life - albeit a little different from before, the children's teachers have been reviewing assessments carried out in these last few weeks. We are keen to share these with you and identify ways that you will be able to further support your children outside of school. We are in the process of planning and formulating how this information can be shared and discussed in preparation for after half term, when we would ordinarily have a Parent Consultation Evening. Please bear with us under these new and changing times. Thank you.

Resilience Celebration afternoon

Next Friday afternoon our classes will be holding a celebration afternoon of activities to congratulate every member of our school in completing this first half term back at school. We have all been very proud and pleased at the way the children have returned to school and approached their learning in class. They have shown great resilience and followed our new routines incredibly well over these first weeks of the school year. It seemed important to recognise this point in term through planning some additional wellbeing activities. Thank you everyone for your super approach to school in this first half term - you really are amazing children!

With additional measures being discussed by Government and local councils it is important that we all continue with our safety measures to keep you, your families and everyone else we work and play with as safe as is possible. Take care over the weekend.

I wish you all a safe and happy weekend.

Kind regards

Barry

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School Lottery

Joining in with the school lottery is a great way to support the fundraising for the Friends of Bradley School (PTA). Lottery tickets are £1 a week each, and there is a cash prize winner every week for one of the Bradley school supporters. You also have the chance of winning up to £25,000 in the national draws. See the flyer attached for details on how to sign up or visit:

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/bradleys-both-cp-school>

Congratulations to last week's winner Mrs Horne!

Friends fundraising

Bradleys Both CP School is now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them - at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

You can find our easyfundraising page at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bradleysboth>

Friends AGM

The Friends AGM is Tuesday 10th November @ 7pm by Zoom.

Year 6 application for Secondary School

Details have been sent via email. Please ensure you apply for your child's secondary school place (September 2021) by 31st October 2020. Thank you

Dolce dinners

Please ensure dinners are paid for in advance and that your child's account does not go into arrears. Thank you.

Data collection sheets

Data collection sheets have been sent out again for those that we are outstanding. Please can you check and return them back to school ASAP. It is imperative we have the correct contact details for your child and their up to date information.

BELL CLASS

The children came into the classroom on Monday morning and were extremely excited to see a 7ft rocket in our home corner! Over the first couple of days this week, we have worked hard to transform the area into a space centre - complete with Mission Control and astronaut tabards. For his homework, Arthur created a brilliant Space helmet and he has let his friends play with it in the area. Thank you, Arthur!

In Maths this week, we have identified fact families. In our English work, we have read the story of The Little Red Hen and have enjoyed hot seating the characters and acting out the story. Next week, we will write our own versions. In food technology on Wednesday, we made our own bread - just like The Red Hen. In our science, we identified our 5 senses and carried out different activities in the classroom linked to each sense. We did not like some of the smell pots...one was vinegar and one was onions! We loved the sweet hot chocolate smell, though. It was very interesting talking about someone who has a sense that doesn't work very well. Mrs Whitley showed us her hearing aids and explained how they work. She has to rely more on her sense of sight to help her. We also looked at a braille magazine, and we think that it is amazing what guide dogs can help blind/partially sighted people do! Have a really lovely weekend everyone. See you on Monday for the last week of the half term.

Pupil of the week: Jake for his beautiful handwriting.

Resilience award: Sebastian for trying so hard and persevering when writing his name.



FRANKLIN CLASS

We've had another busy week in school. On Tuesday in English we finished off our stories about The Smartest Giant in Town. We then moved on to understanding the difference between fiction and non-fiction - we learnt that fiction is made up whereas non-fiction is fact. We had a go at writing our own factual sentences, remembering to use correct sentence punctuation. Next week we will write an information text using non-fiction sentences. In Maths we have been subtracting. Some of us have used objects to subtract but others have used number lines. Yesterday we had a go at solving word problems - we identified the sum using the numbers in the question and then used our number lines to find the answer. In Art we have looked at an artist called Jan Griffier - she created art work based on The Great Fire of London and we had a go at making our own in the same style. 'Can we do things quicker the older we get?' was our question in Science this week. We split into groups, identified the oldest child in each group and carried out 3 different activities. We discovered that just because you are older, doesn't mean you can always do things quicker! In History we learnt about sources of information. Some sources can be useful, e.g. Samuel Pepys diary extract, whereas others are not as useful e.g. a map of London.

Pupil of the week: Arthur for a great positive attitude towards his work.

Resilience award: Minnie for not giving up when using empty number lines.

EDISON CLASS

So, nearly the end of our first half term back and I think the children are really starting to need a break! We have had quite a lot of very tired and emotional children this week. However, they have soldiered on... This week, we have made Roman sundials out of clay - ready to paint once dry. It was amazing to see how creative they were and how supportive they were of one another! I was very fearful that the carpet would be covered in clay (!) and I'd be in all night cleaning up... This was not case! Super clean-up team on hand! In maths we have been adding and subtracting using different strategies: partitioning, exchanging and using mental arithmetic. We have been looking at character descriptions in English, ready to write our own next week. Finally, we have investigated shadow sizes in science, designing a fair test and making a prediction ahead of the experiment.

Pupil of the Week: Alfie T fantastic clay work; being a super support to others and enthusiasm for learning!

Resilience: Lola determination to succeed and give everything her best effort!

NEWTON CLASS

It's been a hardworking week in Newton Class; in maths we've been investigating square, cube and prime numbers. With square and cube numbers we looked at patterns, differences between numbers and added digits to find root numbers. We have also been working on multiplication skills, multiplying multiples of 10 and year 5 have also calculated with decimals.

In English we have written a non-chronological report about the Ancient Olympic Games, we looked at features of non-fiction and how to interest the reader. We carried out research, making good use of the chrome books. We have enjoyed looking at traditional Greek patterns to help with illustrations. In our Grammar and Punctuation lesson we revised how to write speech and use inverted commas. We have continued to read Greek myths and performed a poem about Perseus and Medusa as well as analysing the text and finding higher level vocabulary.

In Science we used the data we collected about sunrise, sunset and daylight hours to create a graph. This helped us to see the results more clearly in a visual way. Next week we will make deductions about the data.

In P.E. with Jonny we used the class iPad to record our session then we will watch it back and create highlights.

Pupil of the week: Theo for a hard working attitude especially writing his history Report.

Resilience Award: Florence for being positive and determined with the times tables challenge.

DARWIN CLASS

This week we have been learning about Victorian schools and what it would have been like to be a pupil during that time. Of course, the most fascinating aspect has been the punishments-there have even been several requests for a 'Dunce's Hat' so that they can go and stand in the corner! We have found out quite a lot about what happened in school and are now using our research to write reports.

In Maths we have moved on to fractions, revising our knowledge and moving on to new concepts. Everyone has worked really hard to get to grips with adding and subtracting, finding equivalents, simplifying and calculating with mixed numbers...well done.

Our PE lesson with Jonny was great fun as we took it in turns to be the 'manager' of our team and filmed the action using an i-pad. Some of the children have edited the footage and we look forward to the 'highlights'.

Unfortunately, we won't be able to get Gary Lineker in to do a post-match appraisal!

We have had an amazing response to the application for Head Boy/Girl post. All the candidates will get the chance to read out their manifesto, via video, to the rest of the school next week. The election will take place on Wednesday.

Pupil of the Week: Pearl for her Victorian diary.

Resilience Award: Will B for trying hard in Maths.