



## Bradleys Both CP School



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Friday 6th November 2020

Dear Children, Parents and Staff

Welcome back to school. It has been good to see everyone return to school safely after the half term break.

As the increased national lockdown restrictions take effect it is important that we all continue to follow our protective measures in and around school please. In school we are still following our strict protective measures and keeping classes of children as separate bubbles.

Please can we remember to social distance, wear face coverings and not arrive at school before your child's designated arrival time and collection time. Many of our school community have their own worries and concerns at this time. Working together has been incredibly key in returning to school last half term safely and I am grateful for everyone's continued support during these ongoing challenging times.

### **Assessment information for Parents**

The Year 1 to Year 6 children's assessment reports have been sent home today along with a letter explaining our approach due to the ongoing Covid 19 restrictions. We hope that this information is both helpful and reassuring. Target areas have been identified to inform you of further support you can provide your child at home for Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

### **EYFS Reception children**

Our new EYFS Reception children have made a super start to school and successfully completed their first half term at Bradleys Both. Our new EYFS children's parents have received an invitation to discuss how their child has settled into their new school with Mrs Briscoe. Please email Mrs Briscoe using the class email address: [class1@bradleysboth.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:class1@bradleysboth.n-yorks.sch.uk) at your earliest convenience.

### **Head Girl and Head Boy**

Lara and Harvi held their first Head of School meeting with me on Wednesday. We had a positive discussion about the forthcoming half term and further opportunities we can explore here at Bradleys Both. Both Lara and Harvi wanted to thank everyone who had voted for them and are keen to assure the children at Bradleys Both that they will take their role responsibly.

### **Children in Need fundraising - Multicolour Clothing Day - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

A number of our children have asked about how we can still support and fundraise for the Children in Need charity this year. This is such an important charity that does some fantastic work in supporting children that we as a school wish to recognise and fundraise for them. Our Head Boy suggested that everyone comes to school in **multicolour clothing**. Through this we will create a bright, happy and colourful school community and can hopefully include a range of different coloured clothes that you all already have at home. I think it's safe to say the more colours the better and definitely don't worry about everything matching!!

In light of Covid we will not be accepting cash or coins in school. The School Office have set up a Children in Need donations event on SchoolComms for anyone who is able to make a donation to this worthy charity. SchoolComms is where school visit contributions and Brads payments are made. Thank you in advance for your donation.

### **National Antibullying Week - 16<sup>th</sup> November to 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

We will be recognising Antibullying week in school and classes in the week following next week. The Head Girl and Boy decided that we should promote Antibullying week by celebrating differences in us all. To do this the children would like everyone to wear odd socks each day for the week. This should help those washing machine sock monsters that always seem to leave odd socks behind!! By wearing odd socks we will be celebrating that differences are positive in us all. We will be exploring different scenarios with the children in class to reinforce that bullying is not acceptable.

### **Brads Before and After School Club**

Numbers for Brads has steadily increased over the Autumn term. Please ensure that you book your child's place early and in advance to make sure that required sessions are available. Numbers are limited for each session and advance bookings are now advisable. Thank you to the team of Brads staff for their continued hard work and care at the start and end of the day.

*In these changing times and over the next weeks ahead we will be working our hardest and trying our best to keep our school operating in as normal a way as is possible. I appreciate everyone's understanding of the constraints we in schools are working within. Please continue to follow our arrangements, procedures and code of conduct.*

*I wish you all a safe weekend.*

*Kind regards*

*Barry*

### Autumn 2 Class University of Bradley

Bell Class 1 'Multi-skills & Sporting Fun' working with our Sports Coach

Franklin Class 2 'Science Experiments & Cold Cooking'

Edison Class 3 'Personal Health & Fitness Challenge' working with our Sports Coach Jonny

Newton Class 4 'Flight & Archery working with Mr Rogers & Miss Hoggarth

Darwin Class 5 'Seasonal Cooking & Craft'

### **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>

### **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 the last two winners: Miss Billington (24/10/2020 and Mrs Moore (31/10/2020)

### **Christmas card orders**

Thank you to everyone who submitted artwork for the Christmas cards project. You should all have received your sample card this week. Please can you return the order form to the school letterbox by **Tuesday 10th November**. This will ensure that your cards and gifts are received in good time for the start of December.

### **Friends AGM**

Please drop into our Zoom AGM meeting Tuesday 10th November at 7pm to share your ideas about fund raising and activities for this school year. Everyone welcome to join in. Please email [friendsofbradley@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbradley@gmail.com) for the zoom logon details.

### **BELL CLASS**

Welcome back, everyone! I hope you all had a wonderful half term break.

This week, we have enjoyed learning about some new topics. In History, we have investigated stars and look at common constellations - Big Dipper, Ursa Major and Minor, Orion and the Dragon. We then created our own constellations using glitter, glue and black paper. In our R.E this half term, our topic is celebrations. We talked about what special times we have had; and thought about what others celebrate using a celebration tub filled with items linked to Christmas, Sukkot and Diwali. In art, we have explored impressionism paintings and investigated the style. Our new science topic is comparing and grouping animals. Today we found out that the term animal includes humans. We also matched adults to their young. In maths, we have identified 2D shapes and talked about their

properties, and in our English this week, we have been on an autumn walk and used our senses to describe what we could see, hear, smell and touch around us, before putting them in to sentences and creating a class autumn poem. Finally...Mr Rogers joined in a parachute game with us called Washing Machine, which made him spin around and made us all laugh!

Have a lovely weekend everyone. See you on Monday.

**Pupil of the week: Nancy for writing a super Autumn Senses Poem.**

**Resilience Award: Joe for practising all week and finally being able to jump independently using a Lolo ball.**

### **FRANKLIN CLASS**

We've had a good first week back. In English we identified time conjunctions and how they can help us sequence events when writing a recount. Yesterday we planned and wrote our own recounts about the holiday last week. We tried hard to include some time conjunctions, remembering to use correct sentence punctuation too. In Maths we have looked at 2D shapes. We have named, described and sorted them and identified them in the school environment. In Science we are moving on to learning about animals - yesterday we recorded what we already know and what we would like to find out. We are nearly at the end of our History topic of The Great Fire of London but on Tuesday we learnt about how London was rebuilt. We even had a go at designing our own buildings, remembering that they would have to be made from stone or brick and built with gaps between them. Also on Tuesday we started our DT topic of designing and making packaging. Mrs Daniell brought in lots of different types of packaging - we identified some features and explained why we liked them.

**Pupil of the week: Georgia for a detailed recount of her holiday.**

**Resilience Award: Henry J for writing a great recount without planning and thinking time.**

### **EDISON CLASS**

Class 3 have started a new unit of learning in science: animals including humans. We have started learning about what living things all need to be healthy, and we will be considering a healthy, balanced diet (and finding those hidden sugars). Prior to this, we reviewed what had been learnt during the last unit of learning - light - and it was super to see how much knowledge they had each gained! Our English focus for the next few weeks will be to write a short disaster narrative. This week, we started by reading a disaster story about Pompeii where the children had to act out the story. Our current maths focus continues to be addition and subtraction, particularly where exchanging is required. In ICT we have been learning how to use a search engine

effectively and safely. In PE we are focusing on hockey skills - first lesson is to keep those sticks below the knee! For the remainder of this half term we will continue to learn about the Romans and the children will be having a go at producing a Roman mosaic.

Children will be starting the four times tables next week (revision for the Year 4s) so lots of encouragement with practising the 4s at home would be much appreciated! ( Please continue to practise the 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s too.)

**Pupil of the Week: Eliza for a caring and supportive nature towards others and for an excellent attitude towards learning!**

**Resilience Award: Emily for not giving up in maths when finding it tricky!**

## **NEWTON CLASS**

We've all worked hard in Newton Class this week, in maths we have focused on short multiplication methods including the multiplication of money. We needed to make sure we added in the decimal point to avoid high costs. Following this we worked on solving money based word problems with a Bonfire Night theme.

In English we focused on reading, recommending and showing our reading books to each other. We then wrote a book review which will go into the class Book Review folder. All children follow the Bingo Reading Challenge with a variety of genres and should read at home to support this. Reading at home should be recorded in Homework Diaries. We also learnt the difference between similes and metaphors and wrote our own to describe a Greek monster.

In Science we researched scientists from the past focusing on astronomers and how people saw the world. We learnt about the ancient belief of the geocentric model versus the heliocentric model. We also learnt about Ptolomey, Aristotle, Copernicus and Galileo. It was fascinating to explore how they saw the Earth and the universe.

As part of our study of Ancient Greece we designed our own Greek pots reflecting life at the time which we drew in charcoal. It was a little dirty but good fun.

**Pupil of the week: George for excellent writing in History.**

**Resilience Award: Samuel for working on maths calculations and not giving up.**

## **DARWIN CLASS**

This first week back seems to have rushed by but we have managed to get plenty of work done. Before the half-term break, we completed maths assessments and are now filling in the 'knowledge gaps' to make sure everyone is confident with each topic. Decimal place value, equivalence between decimals and fractions and multiplying and dividing by multiples of 10 are all concepts we have covered this week-lots of hard work, well done everybody.

In English we have been learning how to create suspense in our writing. We've listened to creepy music and sound effects as well as spooky woodland images and abandoned houses. Now we have started to write our own stories using the techniques we have practiced and hope to share our stories with Class 4 and 3 (as long as they're not too scary).

We've enjoyed our PE sessions this week - circuits with Mrs Kingham and Netball skills with Jonny. Unfortunately, a number of children had not brought in their PE kits so please make sure they are in school for next Wednesday. It's really important to change for PE (including footwear) and, now that the weather is getting colder, a warm top or jogging bottoms might be needed.

Enjoy the weekend...

**Pupil of the Week: Lara for improved handwriting.**

**Resilience Award: Sam E for always trying his best.**