

THE BROOK BROADCAST

LIGHTS ... CAMERA ... ACTION!

This week we have been getting ready for our curtain call next week. The school has been alive with singing and dancing. The sets have been prepared and the props have been made.

Next week, the children will be filming their parts in their bubbles and although we are sad to not be putting on our normal extravaganzas, we are still excited to see the children share their talents. Thank you all for completing the permission form.

I would like to thank our very talented teaching team for supporting children and being so ready to reimagine the way we do Christmas.

We are hugely grateful to one of our parents, who even though he is an extremely busy man, has generously given his time and is sharing his filming, editing and producing skills with us in order to support our different approach to Christmas. The same parent has even written the most wonderful finale song especially for us. It is aptly entitled 'Sparkly Christmas' linking to the Brook 'Sparkle' that everyone that works in our school refers to. We cannot wait for you all to hear the children singing it.

Our show, entitled 'A Bundle of Joy', has been especially written to perform in bubbles and based on the traditional nativity story. The show centres around a donkey named Grumble who likes to live up to his name.

As a school, we felt that we wanted our children to have the chance to meet a donkey up close and also our very own Mary and Joseph need a donkey to help them get to Bethlehem. So as a treat for the children and to help them understand about these wonderful creatures, we have booked East Clayton Farm to bring two of their wonderful donkeys to spend the morning with our children on Monday (23rd November). All of our children from Nursery to Year Two will get time in groups of five to spend time with these magnificent creatures. Our Covid bubble approach will still apply.

We are really grateful to East Clayton Farm for helping us provide this experience to all of our children.



THANK YOU!

We would like to send a heartfelt thank you to all of our families for your ongoing support during this time of Covid. We know it is not easy for anyone, but if we all look out for each other it will be much easier.

Amongst our wider school community, we have had cases of Covid, but because of the speedy and careful isolation of those families, it has kept Covid away from our school to date.

Isolation is clearly working and so we simply ask you all to stay vigilant for the onset of symptoms, but also to choose to be cautious, isolate and book a test if any of the symptoms appear within your family.

We have a social and moral responsibility to try our best to protect each other.



If you get a positive Covid19 test result within your immediate family out of school hours, please email headebrookinfant.school to inform the school.

STAYING SAFE ONLINE



We always want to work with all of our families to help keep our children safe online and so we wanted to share with you something that we have heard a few of our children talking about ... Siren Head.

This can appear in the form of YouTube clips and also a free downloadable game and is only appropriate for older teens. It is classified as horror and involves the creature Siren Head stalking its opponents.

The children in school that have spoken of Siren Head have also talked about how frightened it made them feel.

Please stay aware of what your children are looking at as what is once seen can never be erased.

WOODLAND WONDERS

Our Year Two children have been again enjoying their time in the woods. This week, they not only continued to learn about fire safety, but they have actually baked their own woodland dampers (bread); along with making clay hedgehogs with tiny sticks they had found; and playing the memory tray game.

Thank you to all of our Year Two parents for making sure the children always have their boots in school and warm layers on. This means they enjoy these sessions in all weathers.

Our Woodland Wonders approach has been so successful that we are looking at ways in which we can provide this way of learning to our little Owlets and also as part of our wrap around care. Watch this space!



HOW ARE WE DOING?

We are always working to do what is right for our children at Brook Infant School and Nursery. Everyone works incredibly hard to make sure our children learn with love and laughter and develop a love of learning.

However, we would very much appreciate feedback from you, our families and so we have provided below the link to a parental survey.

Please use the following link to access and complete our parental survey. We have included the link in the covering email. We really hope everybody will respond.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rmrcEDy7k0GYx5qZ-0TUUFoV9ynhf5tAl7Gfvr8aWYnUNFY3TEVIMTBIOVhBUIY4OEedKWVVFONUINMiQIQCNOPWcu>

Thank you in anticipation of your feedback.



NEW VOICE OF THE SCHOOL!



If you telephone the school during the day, we no longer have the voice of the telephone engineer to greet you. Instead we have a new 'voice of the school' in the form of Grace Ritchie.

We would like to thank Grace for learning the script so well and for being brave and patient enough to do the recording.

She is now working on our after hours messages.

ART FOR THE COMMUNITY

We have had so many wonderful comments on social media about our children's fabulous artwork, we felt we wanted to share the children's talent further and so we have arranged for copies of our artwork to be shared with Schaffer House (Sheltered Housing) where the pictures are going to be used to brighten up the corridors around the building.



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 23rd November – Donkey Visit and Christmas Production Filming Week

Tuesday 24th November – Forest School Session for Badgers.

Wednesday 16th December – Christmas Jumper ... Christmas Dinner ... Christmas Party ... and Father Christmas Visit Day

Thursday 17th December 2020 - School Closes at 13:00.

Friday 18th December 2020 - Inset Day

Monday 4th January 2021 - Back to School

Monday 22nd February 2021 - Inset Day

Monday 7th June 2021 - Inset Day

