

Thursday 10th March 2022



With the lighter days and sunnier skies, it is starting to feel like the start of Spring in and around the nursery.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support around the restrictions that are still in place, especially when you drop off and collect your children. I hope that by accessing your child's Learning Journal you have still been able to be up to date with your child's learning and with what has been happening in the nursery rooms.

World Book Day.

The children took part in World Book Day last week in lots of different ways. Some children chose to dress up as their favourite book character and others brought their favourite story books into nursery to share at storytime. All the children received a £1 book token which they can use to purchase one of the special World Book Day books or to put towards the purchase of a book.

Lavender Room Visits.

It was lovely to have the Lavender Room children and staff join us at Broughton on Friday morning for a playdate. The morning went really well with the children exploring the new play areas and starting to build relationships with the Broughton children and staff. The playdates will continue each Friday morning and we also hope to introduce some storytelling sessions in the future.

Comic Relief.

We will be taking part in Comic Relief on **Friday 18 March**. If they would like to, your child can come to nursery dressed in something red that day. If you would like to make a donation to Comic Relief, you can do so via the ParentPay link below :-

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=6474>

Edinburgh Marathon Festival.

This year the Edinburgh Marathon Festival is going ahead. Broughton Primary pupils have participated in this for a number of years thanks to a group of fantastic parents. At one point we had around 100 children, including nursery children taking part in the Junior events on the Saturday.

We are keen to see lots of children take part in EMF this year. You will have already received information from the PC about how you can enter. Please get in touch if you need support with the cost. There will be weekly parent led training sessions for children at 10.30am in Pilrig Park from **Sunday 13 March to Sunday 22 May**. Everyone is welcome!

Headlice.

Please can you check your child's hair regularly and treat with the recommended solution. A pharmacist will be able to advise of the best treatment.

Learning in the Nursery.

Our learning focus for March and April will have a Spring theme, exploring life cycles, planting and Easter. Our numeracy focus will continue with size and measure. We will also extend the children's interest in pattern by introducing symmetry through art and design. The children have had a lot of fun with the story Jack and the Beanstalk, through storytelling sessions. Our new book focus this month will be The Rainbow Fish written by Marcus Pfister. This story also helps to support our health and wellbeing focus on exploring our similarities and differences. Our planning is a balance of responsive and intentional planning that connects with and extends children's interest and motivation.

Dates for your Diary.

Saturday 12 March- Parent Council Playground Tidy 1pm – 4pm

Friday 18 March – Red Nose Day

Friday 25 March – School marking 'Earth Hour'

Term Time Children Only

Fri 8 April – Term Ends

Mon 25 April – All resume

All Year Round Children

Fri 15 April – Nursery Closed

Mon 18 April- Nursery Closed

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