

THE BULLETIN

BROUGHAM STREET NURSERY SCHOOL



MESSAGES

Autumn Term
Open: 8th September

Half Term
Close: 22nd October
Open: 1st November

Christmas Holiday
Close: 17th December
Open: 5th January

Uniform is in stock in the office.
Polo shirts £6.50, jumpers £9

Keep up to date with news by regularly checking Tapestry and our Facebook page. Please 'like' and comment so we know you have seen posts.

Share your news with us too!

HOW DO YOU GROW YOUR OWN SOUP?

At Brougham Street Nursery School we follow a dual curriculum. We have a project based class curriculum and individual children's curriculums - called learning stories. During the autumn term, our project was 'How do you grow your own soup?'

We have visited the community allotments in Greatwood and learned how to grow our own soup with Joel Henderson Birt. We were also gifted some fabulous boxes of fruit and veg to investigate and sell in our role play shop from our local Tesco community champion.

Some of our learning activities:

We made musical instruments out of vegetables with Beccy. We made plantable paper with Alison. We cooked soup on an open fire at Forest School. We printed pictures with real vegetables with Ann. We made vegetable soup with Katie. We played real life Mr Potato head with Lorraine and made hand made vegetables with Pauline.

We've read lots of stories and have retold the story of the enormous turnip in different ways, including using story spoons as made by Bev.

We will keep returning to themes from this project. It has been a brilliant experience.

THE PLACES WE GO & THE PEOPLE WE MEET

We were visited by Jeff and Chris from the North Yorkshire Craven Rotters. Their aim is to inspire people to change their waste habits.

The North Yorkshire Rotters, known as the Rotters, promote home composting, reduce, reuse and recycling and the 'love food hate waste' campaigns at events, talks and school workshops across North Yorkshire. These campaigns are promoted to highlight the practical ways that residents can reduce waste, save money and help the environment. Jeff and Chris were brilliant. We made wormeries, saw a large wormery and even created a smoothie using fresh fruit...with a bicycle powered blender!



We partnered up with Joel Howard-Birt and visited Trinity's Community Allotment, in Greatwood. There the children saw so many different vegetables growing, such as courgettes, pumpkins, and Swedish chard. Skills they have developed through their play were turned into real life gardening experiences, such as digging the soil to prepare for planting.

To bring the story to life they also got to work together to pull up an enormous turnip. Pupils from the school thoroughly enjoyed their visit and future visits are planned for the spring term.



GRANT SUCCESS

Nursery School is celebrating its recent success in securing a grant from the Yorkshire Dales Millenium Trust, who generously gave us £200 to purchase plants and planters. These have been used to rewild our alleyway which leads to the garden room entrance to nursery school.

The design, purchasing and planting has all been done by Caroline Riley and Amanda Bibey, who have worked extremely hard to bring colour and life to the previously somewhat drab walk way.

The main aim of the planting is to attract bees and other insects as part of our mission to create a polinator garden.



Please don't throw me away

We are always busy creating and planning exciting projects. Please help us out by not throwing away any of these items. We would love any you may have. We just ask that you make sure that items are clean and free from residue. If you ever come across anything else at home or work that you think we might find useful, please pop us a message on Tapestry. We love to be resourceful and use as many natural or recyclable materials as possible. Thank you very much!

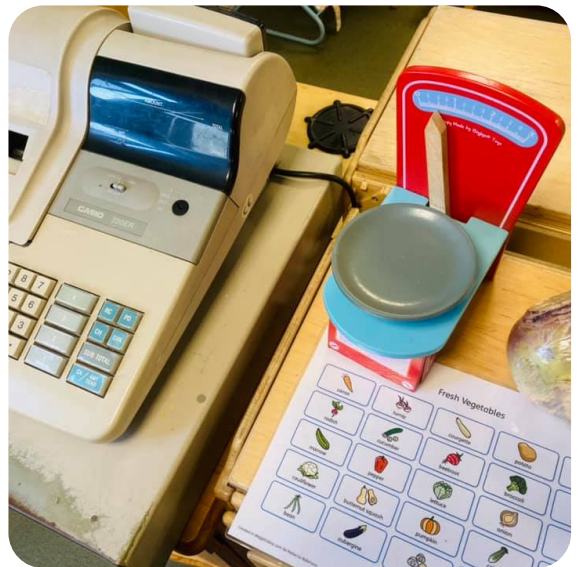
- Bottle tops
- Toilet of kitchen roll tubes
- Wrapping paper tubes
- Ribbon
- Scraps of material
- Interesting packaging
- Craft feathers
- Pom poms
- Pipe cleaners
- Foil tins
- Flowers (even the ones that are past their best – old bouquets are brilliant)
- Artificial foliage/plants
- Egg boxes
- Buttons



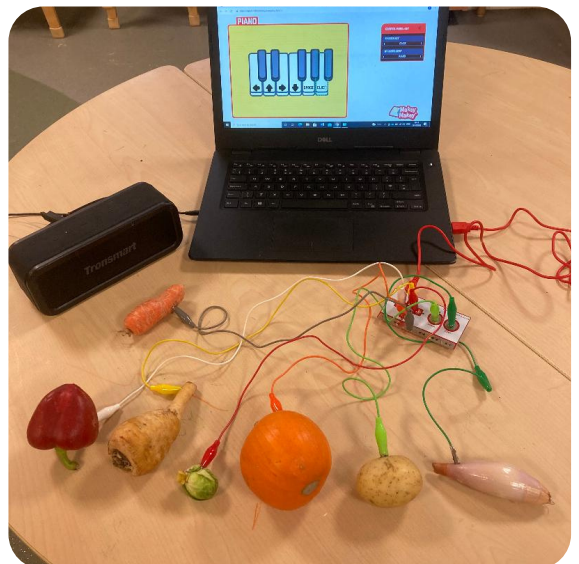
- Wool/yarn/twine/string
- Newspaper
- Old magazines/brochures or catalogues
- Old CDs
- Bubble wrap
- Wooden spoons, utensils, pots and pans
- Unwanted rolls of wallpaper
- Wrappers from chocolates such as Quality Street
- Hats, scarves or jewellery for dressing up
- Tissue paper
- Greeting cards
- Conkers
- Pine cones
- Shells and drift wood
- Wooden logs/slices or branches
- Corks



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STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER?



All parents who have a preschool (n2) age child should have received a letter from North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC) about how to apply for a Reception place. The application window is now open and the deadline to apply is 15th January 2022. The letter provides a link to the admissions area of the NYCC website where all of the information needed to apply electronically is available at <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/apply-place-primary-or-secondary-school>

Parent/carers of pupils who live who live outside North Yorkshire must obtain information from their home authority regarding their application process and apply to them. If they want their child to attend a NYCC school, they still need to make the application to their home authority and information will be shared between other Local Authorities, as part of the LA's co-ordinated admissions scheme.

Please be aware that if all of your preferred schools are oversubscribed, then your child will be offered a place in a school which is not on your choice list. In previous years, due to demand, a local school has not been able to offer a place to all children living within its catchment. In this case, distance from the school was a key factor in offering a place.

We recommend that parents/guardians visit prospective schools with their children before making a decision. Many of our local schools will have open days and many have a presence on social media too. North Yorkshire County Council provide guidance on applying for a primary school place here <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/find-school>

The final date for parents to express a preference for a reception school place is 15th January 2022. If you require any further information please email schooladmissions@northyorks.gov.uk or tel 01609 533679.

OUR CURRENT LEARNING PROJECT



Does the shoe fit?

Key Story for November: The Elves and the Shoemaker
Key story for December: Cinderella

Opportunities for learning could include:

- Who would wear a shoe like this?
- Which shoe fits? An investigation into size
- Who would wear those shoes?
- Dancing shoes for different dances
- Visit from a local ballet school
- Visit to a shoemaker
- Measuring our own feet
- Designing our own shoes
- Get a grip - sole patterns
- Crime stoppers - shoe print identification
- Self help - I am learning to dress myself!
- What is the best material to use to make shoes?
- Independence
- Can you see your face in it? Polishing (pre-writing)
- Tie a knot in it - ribbon tree
- Welly wanging
- Get your skates on

Do you have something that would be a good addition to our project? Please get in touch through Tapestry or speak to a member of our staff team. We would love to hear your ideas.



READING TOGETHER

We read every day in nursery school and we hope that you read together every day at home too. At the end of this Bulletin you will find two bookshelves. One contains books linked to our topic 'How do you grow your own soup?' and the other shares books linked to our topic 'Does the shoe fit?'. We hope that you enjoy them. Remember that Skipton has a brilliant library, with lots of children's books which you can borrow for free! For more information click this link <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/skipton-library>.












A NEW SONG TO TRY!





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
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Five Big Turnips



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Four big turnips...

3  
Three big turnips...

2  
Two big turnips...

1  
One big turnip...

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S COMMUNICATION SKILLS



learning to talk - how you can help

Babies and young children are learning all the time, even when it seems like they might not be doing very much. Sometimes it's hard to know what to do to help them with their listening, understanding, talking and making sounds.



Here are some **top tips** which you can use in everyday activities to help them off to a great start:



be face to face

join in and follow their play



keep your talking simple

match what they say and add a bit more



repeat new words



GET TO KNOW OUR TEAM



My daughter and I enjoying Halloween!

Hello my name is Alison and I am the Deputy Head and a Class teacher at Brougham Street Nursery School. I am also a qualified Forest School's leader and run our weekly Forest School in 'The Wilderness'.

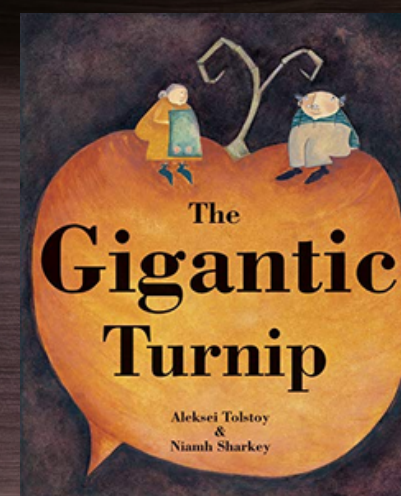
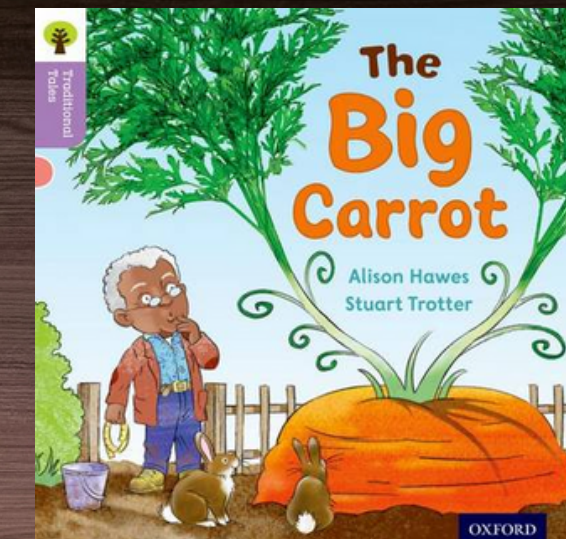
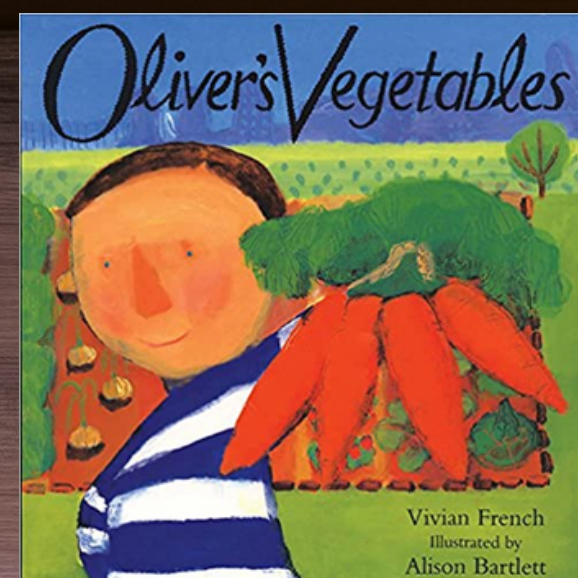
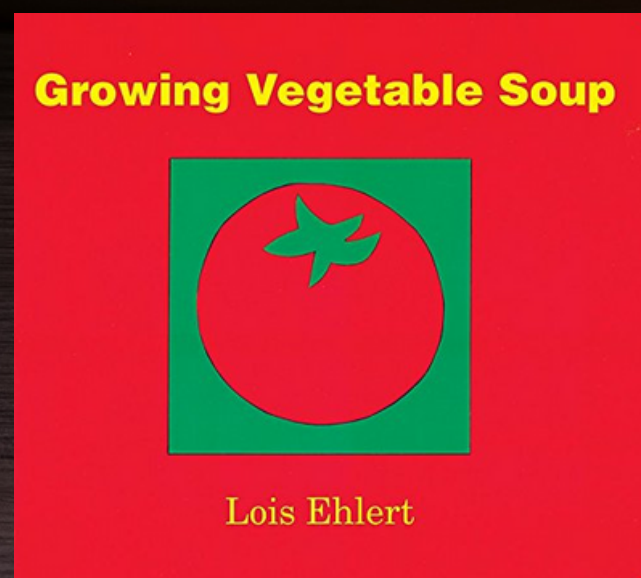
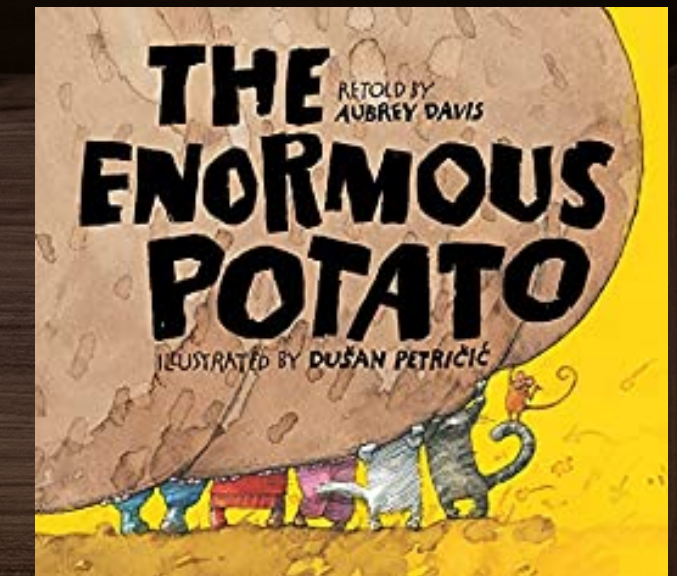
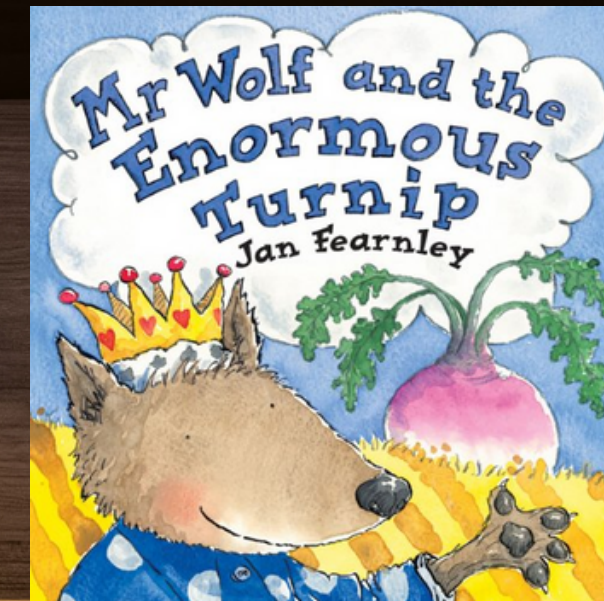
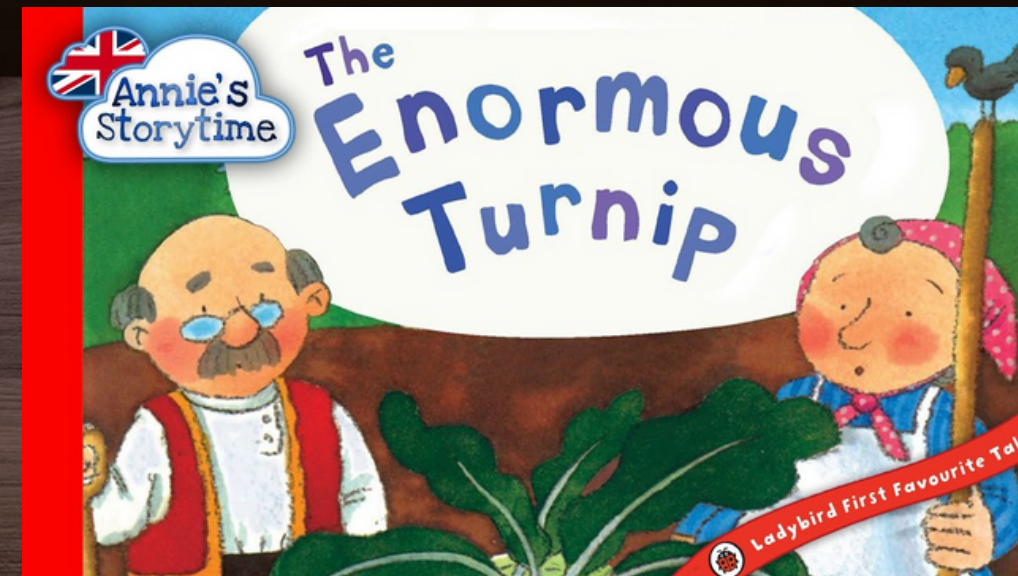
I first began working in the early years sector back in 2009 when I became a volunteer at my son's nursery in Doune, Perthshire. At the time I was a post doc specialising in fish immunology, so it was quite a departure! I completed my SVQ Level 3 qualification in childcare, learning and development and joined the staff team, ultimately becoming manager of the nursery. I completed a M.Ed in Childhood Practice at Glasgow University in 2015 and in the same year I moved to Skipton with my family. I joined Brougham Street Nursery School as a Special Educational Needs teaching assistant in January 2016 but then

went back to university and completed my PGCE in 2017. Initially, I taught biology and science at Clitheroe Grammar school, but it wasn't long before the early years called me back and I rejoined Brougham Street as a teacher in January 2019. I consider myself to be extremely fortunate as I work with a wonderful team, have regular opportunities to learn and share learning and of course have the most fabulous children in my class.

If you would like to learn more about our nursery school team please visit <https://www.broughamstreetnursery.org.uk/about/meet-team>

We love to hear from parents/guardians throughout the year and have an open door policy for you to contact us with any questions or concerns. Afreen, Alison, Amy, Ann, Ayesha, Beccy, Bev, Fiona, Gene, Katie, Lorraine, Madiha, Pauline and Michael

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