

THE BULLETIN

BROUGHAM STREET NURSERY SCHOOL



MESSAGES

Open: 25th April

Spring half term
Closes: 27th May
Open: 6th June

Summer holiday
Closes: 22nd July

Training Days
(Holiday club & childcare open)
25th, 26th July

Bank holidays (closed to all)
2nd May, 2nd June & 3rd June

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 CAN WE LIGHT UP THE WORLD?

Lighting up the world can be done physically, socially and emotionally and for this project we explored all of these methods.

We explored the stars, creating constellations with torches. We used widget symbols alongside light up blocks to explore number, size and position. We created electrical circuits and followed a set of pictorial instructions. We also created candle holders out of clay. Illuminating!

We were busy in the kitchen, we baked biscuits with stained glass centres. We also made butter together and ate it as part of snack. We lit fires at forest school and made delicious pancakes too.

We've explored light and colour, painting giant murals in the garden room and playing with translucent pebbles and building blocks on the light table.

We also carried out lots of bright experiments including burning magnesium and igniting a 'whoosh' bottle! We also used UV to make tonic water fluoresce.

We also began our focus on self regulation which began with the book 'The Colour Monster'. This sensitive book encourages young ones to open up and discuss how they feel, even when their thoughts are confusing.



THE PLACES WE GO & THE PEOPLE WE MEET

We had a very special visitor from Niffany Farm, meet Spotty who is only five days old. She was very soft and very sleepy! Thank you to Zoey and Layla for bringing her in and to Lorraine for arranging this very special visit



We had a lovely morning supporting Skipton Town Council to stomp in wild flower seeds as part of their wild flower project. We planted seeds at Greatwood Ave and Whinny Gill. We are looking forward to seeing lots of flowers in the summer and of course lots of mini-beasts, especially bees and butterflies

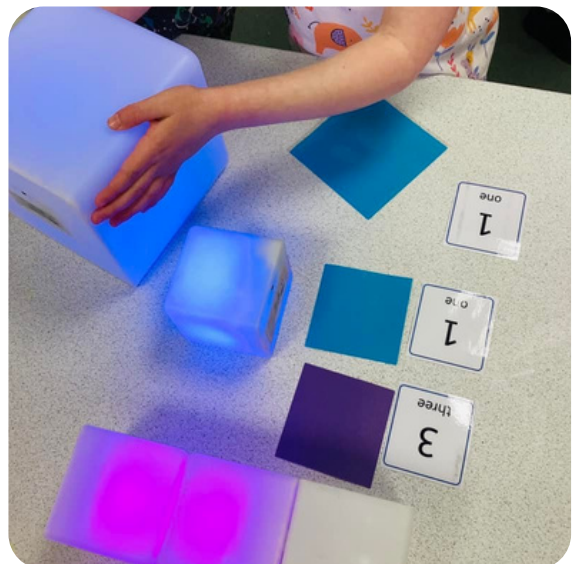
Thank you to Catherine Davison our Tesco community champion who donated these fabulous Duplo sets.



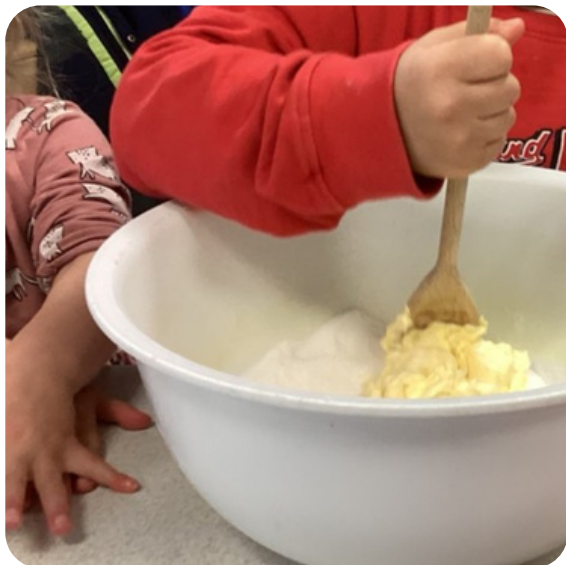
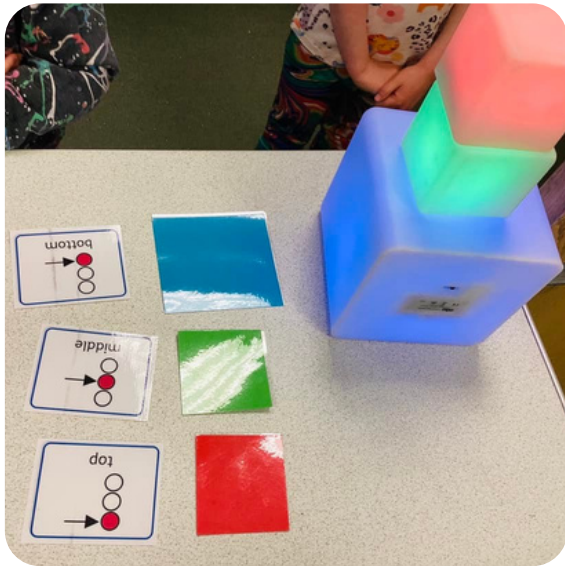
On the last day of term we all walked up to the hen pens to see the tall Rheas, short chickens and medium sized geese.



SOME OF OUR RECENT LEARNING



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OUR NEW LEARNING PROJECT



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 a bookshelf containing books linked to our topic 'Is there such a thing as a Gruffalo?'

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>.



DO YOU HAVE A CHILD WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS?

Under 5s meet-up

Do you have a child with additional needs?

Would you like to meet other local families in the same situation?

LS29 Special Needs Support Group is launching a regular get together for families of children with additional needs aged 0-5!

- Sensory and accessible play equipment
- Free tea, coffee, juice and biscuits
- Chat with others in a similar boat
- Come with or without your child/ren
- Different special guest each week to mingle with families – to talk benefits, education issues, continence, speech and language, play therapy etc

2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 10am-midday at Scout and Guide HQ, Wheatley Lane, Ilkley, LS29 8ET.
Starting Thursday 11th November 2021 (term time only).
£1 donation per family requested.

For more info:
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STARTING RECEPTION IN SEPTEMBER 2022?

If your child is due to start primary school in September you should have received confirmation of their school place on the 19th April.

Please click this link and fill out our short form so that we can best support your child as they transition into primary school.

<https://forms.office.com/r/SWg2fU1xCm>

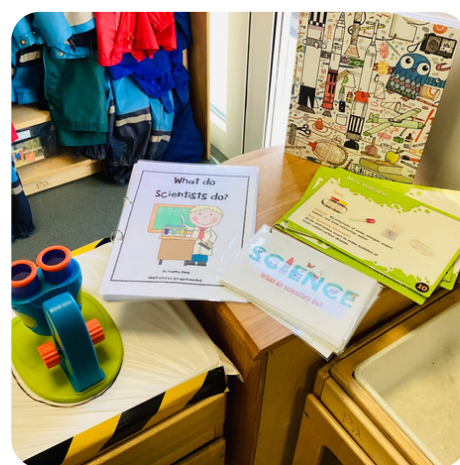


SCIENCE WEEK

We enjoyed an epic 'Science Week' and science doesn't stop when 'Science Week' ends, and we regularly expand on our understanding of the world through experimentation and investigation. It helps us to develop our communication, language and mathematical skills too.

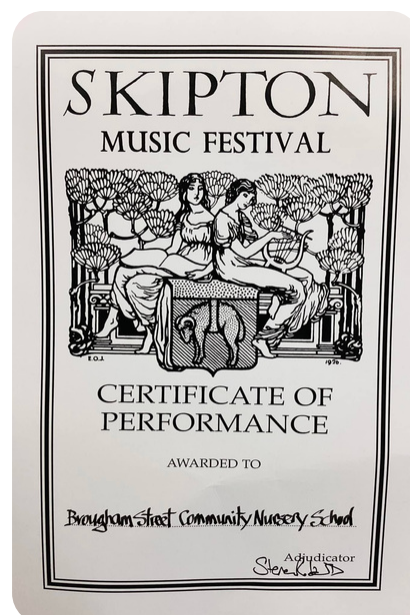
Click on this link to see a few of the very, many experiments that we carried out in the nursery school classroom.

Which one is your favourite? <https://youtu.be/QK9AK5sTi9U>



SKIPTON MUSIC FESTIVAL

We had a fabulous morning taking part in the Skipton Music Festival at Christ Church Skipton. We sang and signed our hearts out. Thank you to our parents, guardians and families for helping our children to practise at home and for being a fabulous audience. Thank you also to Susan Watkiss who provided our piano accompaniment at the festival and who leads our weekly 'Singing with Susan' sessions.



GET TO KNOW OUR TEAM



My name is Lorraine Caswell I have lived in Skipton all my life starting my educational journey at Brougham St Nursery school at the age of three, then continuing onto Parish Church School, so I really felt I had gone back to my roots when I joined this nursery nine years ago. I have two grown up children Tim and Gemma who I am extremely proud of.

I trained at Keighley Technical College to become a Nursery Nurse completing the NNEB course in 1982 then going onto to nanny for a professional family who lived locally, whose children I am still in weekly contact with. After nannying for another family, I then got married and set up my own childminding business, which I continued while having my own son Tim, who considered the boys who I child minded to be his big brothers.

In 1990 I was offered a post at Craven College Nursery where I worked for 21 years as a nursery practitioner and deputy manager and only left there as Government cuts led to its closure which was a very sad time indeed. Fortunately I began working for Brougham St Community Nursery School that summer, working in the toddler room for 7 years before transferring into nursery school in September 2018, where I am now.

I am very passionate about creating an exciting environment where children engage themselves and learn without even realising it. My biggest passion is children's books, I have a huge collection and can nearly always find one relating to any topic that pops up in nursery to follow and enhance a child's learning. As much as you can use Google to find most things, I feel that it's important to show children how useful books still are. I am fully trained in Paediatric First Aid, Safeguarding, Food Handling, dietary needs and also have done training called 'Every child a talker' to help children to develop their language skills and provide opportunities and activities to help children who having difficulties in this area.

I have run an active Brownie pack in Skipton for nearly 40 years and spend a lot of my spare time involved in this, taking girls away on pack holiday and organising weekly activities for them.

I also have a static caravan where I retreat to for most of the summer season to enjoy the outdoors walking and spending time knitting and sewing lots of things for use in nursery.

I love being part of the Brougham Street Community Nursery School family where I am the Key Person for Blue Group. I am very proud to say I work at such a fantastic, vibrant, inclusive community nursery.

**Thank
you!**

Tto Lorraine who knitted these adorable sheep for every one of our children for Easter. What a clever and generous lady you are!



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, Amanda, Ann, Ayesha, Beccy, Bev, Fiona, Gene, Katie, Lorraine, Madiha, Pauline, Tracy and Michael

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



Are pirates
bad people?

