



# NEWSLETTER

06/10/23

## Harvest Festival



This year's Harvest Festival, set against the historic backdrop of St. John's Church, was a brilliant tribute to this time of year. The fabulous singing voices of our students filled the church, and each and every class succeeded in making this our festival an event to remember.

A heartfelt thank you to all of you, our fantastic families. The sheer generosity you demonstrated with your kind donations was truly remarkable, thanks to the array of canned goods, boxes of cereals, packets of pasta, and more that you've generously provided. This gesture ensures that many within our community will be cared for

during this season.

It's events like these that underline the community spirit of all at Browney Academy. Celebrating the Harvest Festival in the iconic St. John's Church with such a fantastic crowd made this an afternoon to enjoy for all.

## We're Going on a Bear Hunt!

Reception had so much fun reading the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' last week.

The children went hunting for bears, they used the chalk boards to draw their own bears, they had a tea party for them, made a story map and even made a cave for any visiting bears! Great work, Reception!





## Durham Castle Delight

The children had a fantastic day at Durham Castle this week. They had fun learning about castle and the significant people who lived there, especially William the Conqueror and the Prince Bishops. The children found out some fascinating facts and after lunch they created their own castles. A thoroughly enjoyable day out learning lots of History in our local area.



## Year 2 Dishes Out Science

The children in Year 2 have been researching and learning about the five main food groups in science. They have been recording what they have eaten in a day and looked at the different groups each food belongs to. Last week they designed a 'Healthy Pizza' choosing different foods from each group to help get a range of nutrients that the body needs to stay healthy and work properly. They wrote lists of the ingredients and labelled a diagram of their designs. This week they made their pizzas and they all agreed they were VERY tasty! Great work as always, everyone!



## Year 5's Photographic Journey



Our Year 5 children have been delving into the fascinating world of human development in science. In their lesson this week, pupils created their own timeline of photos showcasing the various stages of our growth, from infancy to late adulthood. During the week, pupils brought in a photo of themselves when they were just infants and compared these side by side with their current photo. Pupils loved sharing their adorable photos at the start of the lesson, and we then continued by investigating the transformations humans undergo physically and emotionally as they reach adulthood.



## A Stroke of Genius in Ping Pong Club



Children in Years 3 and 4 have been having a blast at an after-school club, learning the art of ping pong from a professional instructor. From mastering serves to executing precise returns, the children have been relishing the opportunity to hone their skills and collaborate in team settings.

"I've really enjoyed trying to land the ping pong balls in the cups," shared Nadia enthusiastically. "It's quite the challenge, but with each session, I pick up a new trick or technique!"

## Halloween Disco Fever

Get ready to show off your spookiest moves! On Thursday, 26th October, we're hosting a thrilling Halloween Disco night for all our students. But that's not all! Children are encouraged to don their Halloween costumes throughout the day, turning the school into a delightful den of little ghouls, goblins, and witches!

### Ticket Details:

- Price: £3 per ticket
- Sale Days: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday of this upcoming week.
- Purchase Location: School yard

We can't wait to see everyone in their spooky best and dance the night away.

## A Nut-Free School

We would like to stress the significance of our nut-free school policy to ensure the safety and well-being of all our pupils. Please remain vigilant and avoid bringing any nut products into the school. We appreciate the challenges associated with dietary preferences, but we kindly request your utmost cooperation in checking the food and snacks you pack for your child. Even trace amounts of nut residues can pose a severe risk to those with allergies. Thank you for your understanding and dedication to keeping our school community safe.

### A few reminders:

- Only healthy snacks are permitted at break times. Sweets, crisps and chocolate are not allowed and will be returned home.
- Jewellery is not to be worn for school. Earrings must be removed or covered for PE.
- Nail varnish is not permitted for wear in school.
- Children are not to use the Woodland Village before or after school.
- The staff car park (with the exception of the disabled parking bay) is for the sole use of staff. The carpark is not to be used as a thoroughfare.
- Please park with the safety of the children in mind and with consideration to all road users and residents. Do not pull in to drop off at our school entrance on the yellow lines.
- Dogs must not be brought onto school premises.
- Children require a clear, freshly filled water bottle daily in school.
- Please only send bags to school if it is necessary



## Celebrations and Achievements

Year	Star of the Week	English	Maths	Word of the Week
Reception	Imogen	Phonics star: Zack		adventure
Y1	Lucy	Phonics Stars: Ayla-Grace, Teddy, Freddie		adjective
Y2	Ariya	Phonics Stars:		conjunction
Y3	Koby			tectonics
Y4	Oliver			tropics
Y5	Logan			approximately
Y6	Rolandas			famine

## Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
October	Black History Month
26.10.23	KS1 and Reception Halloween Disco (15:15-16:15)
26.10.23	KS2 Halloween Disco (16:30-17:30)
30.10.23	Half Term Break Begins
14.11.23	Buddy Assembly - Reception and Year 6 Parents Welcome (09:30)
23.11.23	Christmas Fair
24.11.23	School Closed for Staff Training
13.12.23	Whole-School pantomime at the Sunderland Empire Theatre

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Harris