



abacus
BELSIZE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Weekly Newsletter



29th September 2017

Dear Parents,

Happy Friday everyone, it's been another great week at Abacus and there has been some wonderful learning happening across the school. You should have received appointment options for parents evening which takes in next couple of weeks. Just a reminder that on Monday, we have a whole school sports festivals, so children can wear their PE kit for the day. A HUGE thank you to all our lovely parents that donated towards our Reception area and books for our Key Stage 2 library. We've raised £580 so far, so this will be split between the two areas and I can't wait to show you some 'after' shots. The donations will remain open but we thank you for helping us to fund these areas.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Stephanie Savvides-Howell

Acting Headteacher

Reception

Hello everyone,

I hope you have all had a lovely week. This week in Reception we have been very busy. In Phonics, we have learnt the sounds for t, i and n. We are all doing so well with our sounds, so keep up the great practice at home. In Maths, we have been investigating estimation. We are going to deepen our understanding of estimation next week. In our topic work, we have been making worm farms, as super worm is our current story, and thinking about what worms like in their habitat. We have also been talking about real life super heroes and who are the people around us who keep us safe.

Home work is being sent via email and books sent home in bags. Keep up the great work everyone.

Have a lovely weekend and see you all soon.

Mr Owens, Jackie and Anna.

FAB

Dear Fabulous parents and carers,

FAB would like to invite you to the FAB, Friends of Abacus Belsize Primary School Halloween Disco on Friday, 3rd November 2:00-4:00 pm at school. Join us for ghoulish games, a dance party, and a potluck with Abacus friends. Hope to see you there!! Closer to the event in the coming weeks, there will be a parent sign-up sent out to sign up to help out for food items, bakers, setting up, decorating, clearing up, and running of the games and activities. Keep an eye out for that:-) Many thanks and see you soon, FAB, Friends of Abacus Belsize.

Year 1

This week in Year 1, we have had an exciting week. We have continued our learning on healthy eating, discussing the food groups and which food a superhero might need to keep them healthy, and why. We even made healthy fruit smoothies in topic time and have written our own recipes so that we can make them again! We've done a marvellous job of learning our Supertato story map this week, and have begun to think about inventing new characters to add into our story. Don't forget PE is on Wednesdays, Homework and Reading books are due back before Friday morning and next week's Superhero show and tell groups on Friday will be the Dragonflies and Butterflies!

Year 2

What a great week we have had in year 2!

In English we have been making small innovations to our story, ready to re-write next week. Today we used 'hot-seating' to put ourselves in the shoes of our new characters. In maths we have been looking at addition using dienes, drawing dienes or using counters. These are helping us to add in columns.

In science this week we learned about ways to keep our bodies healthy and started a bread experiment-ask your child to tell you all about it. Finally in topic we have been starting our big superheroes project. This week we have looked at the background and foreground of comics to help us plan the order of making a comic book page.

Please remember that children have PE on a Wednesday and that they need to be bringing in a change of clothes for PE. They shouldn't be wearing their PE kit to school, but rather bring their clothes in to change into.

Have a great weekend.

Year 3

Hi everyone,

This week we did our first Big Write of the years and produced some outstanding pieces of work. We've also been practising using speech marks.

In maths we've been rounding 2 and 3 digit numbers to the nearest ten and in Geography we've explored the River Ganges and the River Narmada. Our science investigations this week were all about leaves, and we even learnt some tricky new scientific vocabulary.

We hope you have a great weekend!

Year 3, Miss Hamer, Sanara and Jessie

Year 4

It's been a fun week in Year 4. In our topic learning this week we have been learning about rivers in India. We were looking at images of the Narmada and Ganges rivers, making predictions and answering questions about what the rivers are used for and religious/sacred events that occur on both rivers. In our English work we have been changing the characters and setting of our story as we begin to write our own innovated version of The Peacock. In maths we have been deriving facts from known facts using our part whole knowledge. Have a lovely weekend, all! Ps. Ask your child about the clarifying corner in our classroom!

