



Brougham
Primary School

Early Years Newsletter

Summer Two

Preschool



This term our theme within the Early Years is Glorious Gardens

In Preschool our topic is Brilliant Bugs!

In this topic the children will be given the opportunity to explore what is in their own gardens at home and school. The topic will introduce the children to living things such as plants and minibeasts. The children will explore a range of flowers and plants and observe the process of growing through planting for themselves. They will learn the names of the minibeasts that they will see in the outdoor environment, and carry out bug hunts and create a wormery. Through this topic the children will learn about care and respect for living things.

Ideas to support your child's learning through this topic:

Communication and Language

- Listen to environmental sounds. What animals can you hear? What vehicles can you hear? Can you copy the sounds?
- Encourage your child's listening skills and understanding of longer instructions such as "Please put on your coat and get your bag."

Physical Development

- Develop your child's self-care skills such as washing and drying their own hands and going to the toilet.
- Encourage your child to put on their own coat, zip it up and put on their own sunhat.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Encourage your child to share toys with friends and family. For example, use the 'your turn, now my turn' technique to encourage gentle hands and no snatching.
- Explore feelings and emotions through characters in stories and through play. Encourage your child to talk about their own emotions, and why they might be feeling that way.

Literacy

- Encourage your child to notice environmental print. For example, can they recognise a shop sign or the school logo.
- Encourage your child to make marks which resemble the first letter of their name.

Maths

- Encourage your child's counting skills through singing number rhymes.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-counting-songs/zn67kmn>

- Develop your child's understanding of pattern making. For example, red block, yellow block, red block etc.

Understanding the World

- Go on a bug hunt! What bugs did you find? Can you name them? Where did you find them?
- Talk about how we can care and respect living things within our environment.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Make models using recyclable materials for example, a bug house or wormery.
- Paint and draw pictures of your favourite bug or mini beast.

If you would like to know more about our planned learning and experiences, please visit our website www.brougham-school.org.uk, Twitter - @BroughamPrimary, Evidence Me and DOJO

Reminders and Special Events

Please remember to put sun cream on your children on sunny days. Please also send children to school with a sun hat (pop names inside) Thank you.

Important Dates

Term dates – Monday 1st June 2026 – Friday 17th July 2026

PD Day: Friday 3rd July 2026

Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance

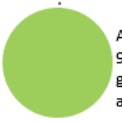
TRAFFIC LIGHT ZONE



RED ZONE
All pupils whose attendance falls below 90% will be considered for legal monitoring by the Local Authority



AMBER ZONE
Those pupils who have fallen between 91%-96% are in the Amber Zone. Those in this zone are automatically monitored by school.



GREEN ZONE
All pupils whose attendance is 97% and above are part of the green zone. As Green a pupil you are more likely to achieve.

STUDENTS WITH RED AND AMBER ATTENDANCE ARE FAR MORE LIKELY TO UNDERACHIEVE...

Punctuality

Pupils Late for school: Pupils who are late for school are missing the important start of their lesson and their entry into the classrooms late, is also causing disruption to other pupils in their class. Please make sure your child is in school on time each day. Your child must be in school for 8.45am.

Contact Numbers: We must have at least 2 working contact numbers for your child at all times. This is a matter of safeguarding and we must always be able to contact parents during the school day. **If your phone number has changed you must update it at the school office.**

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY AND ON TIME.



Keeping You Informed

Class Dojo: Please ensure that you are signed up to Class Dojo to receive regular school and class updates. If you wish to contact a member of staff, you should do by clicking on the chat link and selecting the name of the staff member required. Phone calls can be arranged to speak to staff members, again this can be done so by contacting that staff member via Class Dojo.

Arbor: We have now moved over to Arbor, which will replace Parent Pay. Please make sure you have downloaded the app; if you need support with this, please speak to a member of the school office:



Social media: Please follow Brougham Primary School on Facebook and X (Twitter) to find out what the children have been getting up to.

School Uniform

Please ensure that your child wears full school uniform each day for school.

Our School uniform consists of:

- Grey trousers or skirt;
- White polo shirt;
- Red school jumper/cardigan;
- **Black shoes**



We expect all pupils to wear black shoes for school. Please ensure your child does not wear white or brightly coloured trainers to school as this is not permitted.

Now the weather is getting warmer, please make sure you child comes to school wearing suncream and a hat.

Please ensure all your child's clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name. If you wish to purchased embroidered clothing with the school's logo on, please visit: **Logo2go located at 13 Tower Street, Hartlepool, TS24 7HH.**

