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# NEWSLETTER



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## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

What a lovely Summer term we are having! There have been many opportunities for learning and for fun here at Brick lane School!

We continue to grow and develop as a school and have all been very busy planning the exciting 4 days working week for staff, after the half term. We will shortly thereafter, consult with you to continue to improve this innovative approach without compromising the service we provide to our pupils.

We will be inviting all of you parents for an end of year assembly in July and I truly hope that the vast majority of you can make it!

Enjoy your half term.

**Mr De Vecchi**  
Headteacher

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# RANGER STU VISIT



Students at Brick Lane School were very lucky to meet Ranger Stu and his wonderful animals this term.

Ranger Stu brought in an armadillo, a tenrec, a boa constrictor, a scorpion, a tortoise, a bearded dragon and a tarantula!

The students behaved excellently, following Ranger Stu's guidance and even did 'animal claps' so that the animals were not frightened.

We all learnt so many animal facts this day.



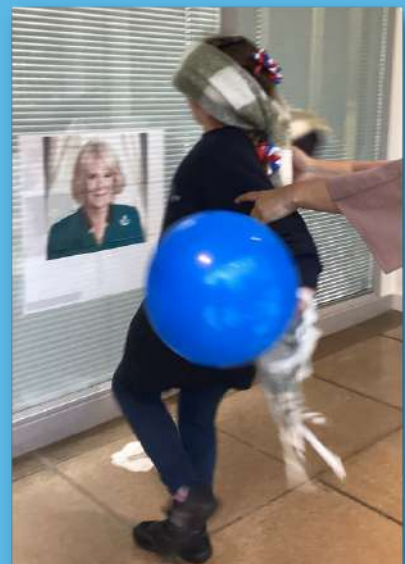


# CORONATION PARTY AT BRICK LANE SCHOOL



We had lots of fun celebrating the coronation of King Charles III at Brick Lane.

Students had the option to try some scones with jam and cream or a Victoria sponge, as well as create their own crown and play some Royal themed games!





In Careers this half term we have been studying diversity in the workplace. For some of our students this has been exploring how males and females can both do all jobs and practising skills we would need for those jobs. Such as preparing a uniform and organising information.



In Humanities we have been studying St Paul's Cathedral. We have investigated the history of the Cathedral and had a go at making a replica with straws. We are looking forward to our visit to St Paul's.







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# CAREERS AND PSHE



In PSHE this half term Olympic and Hyde Class have been learning how to manage changes and how changes can be positive and negative (we played Twister to demonstrate this). We have also investigated friendships and how to demonstrate respect to someone even if we don't agree with them. We are working towards having an in-class debate to embed these speaking and listening skills.

In Regents and Greenwich Class we have been exploring rules; identifying different rules for different places and why they are needed. We have played games and been for a walk to practice following community rules.



# CAREERS AND PSHE – HOLLAND CLASS

Holland Class have been identifying hazards at school and home to know how to keep safe. The students really enjoyed spotting hazards around the school and have done a fantastic job of explaining why something could be unsafe.







We have begun to think about our environment and how we can improve and protect it. The students in Regents class completed a survey of the school grounds to decide where would be the best location to plant some flowers.

Hello from Greenwich Class!

This half-term we have been learning so much whilst having a lot of fun! The new subjects on the timetable (Life Skills and Food Tech) have been a total success! The coronation party and our exploration of Queens and Kings in Humanities worked together beautifully to teach us about the monarchy. Moreover, we found out about the UK and its countries, from a geography perspective and created top trump cards of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. It was so interesting!

Another exciting subject this half term was Maths, where we learnt about grouping, sharing and fractions. We practised these skills with objects and made the most beautiful pizza models! We are becoming very confident in Maths. Well done super stars!





In Science we have explored the parts of seeds, bulbs, and plants. We planted our own seeds, and they are growing into strong flower plants. We have been looking after them every day, making sure they have everything they need to continue their life cycle.

English has been stimulating. We have learnt about biographies and autobiographies. This topic has allowed us to look into the lives of many important characters and their contributions to society. We have been very inspired by many of them, but we agreed that Sir David Attenborough's career is one that we want to continue exploring, and we will do it next half term!

Most importantly, we have been learning a great deal about road safety, which is such an important life skill! We have sung, danced, recited the rules and gone for weekly trips to practice. Now, we know that we have to look for 'sneaky driveways'.



# ATTENDANCE REWARD GAMING BUS

I am thrilled to report that the gaming bus reward for attendance initiative we recently introduced was a great success. Again! The initiative was designed to encourage students to attend school regularly and on time.

The students who met the attendance criteria were rewarded with an opportunity to spend time in the gaming bus, playing various video games and having fun with their friends. The initiative was well received, and we saw a significant improvement in attendance rates.

The students who participated in the reward initiative had a fantastic time in the gaming bus. They were able to enjoy various games, including some new releases, and socialise with their peers. It was heartening to see the students having fun while also reinforcing the importance of regular attendance.

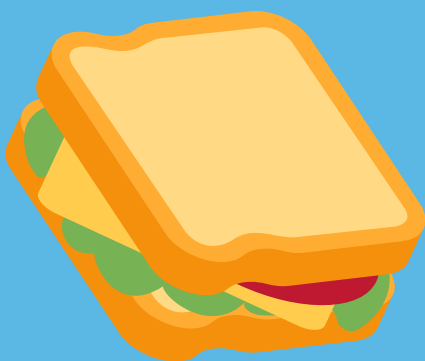
We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents and students for their support in this initiative. Let's aim for all pupils to have as high attendance as possible!







This term in Food Tech, the pupils in Greenwich class have been learning how to make their very own sandwiches using many different types of equipment from a knife to butter the bread, to a toaster to toast their lovely sandwiches. They have enjoyed very much learning how to be more independent!



So, there was games like FIFA 23, Fortnite, Watch Dogs, Grand Turismo and many more the games that I played was FIFA 23 and Grand Turismo the Grand Turismo had a steering wheel so we could feel like we were really driving a car.

**Kyron L**

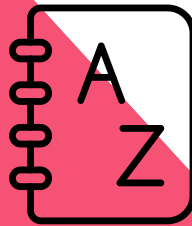


So, what we are currently doing in maths is algebra which is one of my favourite topics to learn and before that we were learning perimeters and shapes.

In English we are currently learning about Latin languages.

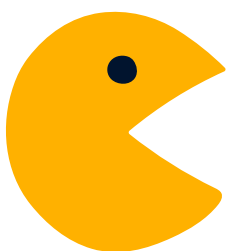
**Oliver**

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Couple weeks ago, some Brick Lane students were able to get on the gaming bus for having a good attendance and everybody who was there had a good time a played game like, Fortnite Minecraft, FIFA, Nintendo games, and had a PS5 racing PS4 plus a VR and Xbox. We played for about 2-3 hours, but until it rained it was not really that fun but before it rained it was very fun.

**Ryan**



GAME  
OVER



At the Brick Lane School we had an event which you could only attend if you had good attendance. This event was the gaming bus where we would play lots of different games on a PS5 an Xbox and a driving thing. My personal favourite was the Xbox because it had a game known as Five Nights at Freddy's 2 and I would play it with my friends and we took turns and got scared because it was a horror game. Another one me and my friends played was Manual Samuel in this game you would play as a man who had to do everything manually even blinking and breathing.

**Kyron S**

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# ART AND PERFORMING ARTS

In Art we have started learning about the artist Jean-Michel Basquiat. He was an American artist who rose to success during the 1980s as part of the Neo-expressionism movement. Also, he is well known for his Graffiti work. Street Art will be our theme for next term, and how appropriate, considering our school is in Brick Lane. We will be exploring and understanding street art in our neighbourhood. The techniques we are working with will be printing, collage, and photomontage.

In Performing Arts, we are exploring Dance. This term we are learning the fundamental movements: First position, Tendu, Plie, Releve and Bourree turn. Et voile! Next term we will be exploring Tap dancing and Hip-Hop.





"Another term done, and wow! Didn't that go quick!

This term in English, we have been looking at the development of the English language, all the way from the stone age, right up till now! There have been some fascinating discoveries, for example: Did you know that we still use Latin words in English? Or that the names of our sciences all came from the ancient Greeks?

At the time of writing, the classes are just about to explore poetry from around the world, before moving onto our new topic, "Pre-1914 Literature". As always, it's been great to work with such creative minds, and I cannot wait to begin the final term!"



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# ELECTRIC ROCKSTARS

Hyde Class turned on the power trying out an electric guitar to finish off their latest science unit!

This term Hyde class and Olympic class have been looking at electricity. Initially, we had fun using balloons to note the effects of static electricity, and then we have been building electrical circuits and drawing diagrams of them using the correct symbols. The students really enjoyed experimenting with different number of batteries and light bulbs to see the effect on the brightness of the bulb. Regents class have been collecting and analysing the leaves of the large trees in our garden, and finding out if they are native to the United Kingdom or have been brought from another country.







In Food Tech this term we have been trying out different types of European cuisine. We have made paella and Spanish tortilla, and some lovely Spanish biscuits with a citrus tang. Then we found out about the many different types of Italian pasta and their curious English translations – “little worms” anyone? – and made different sauces using different vegetables, such as mushrooms (Pasta al Funghi) and tomatoes (Pasta al Pomodoro). We also included Maths concepts like measuring volume and weight or using money (either in real life, or in role play) in our Food Tech lessons. The students are very proud of their skills in the kitchen!

Hello to you all,  
Here's a quick update on what we have been doing in maths  
and ICT.

In maths, some of our students finished working on perimeters and areas before starting a whole new chapter about fractions, covering proper fractions and mixed numbers, as well as equivalent and improper fractions.

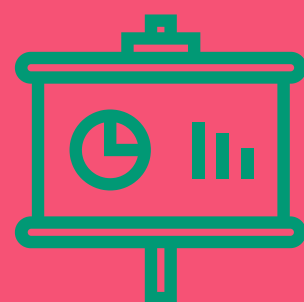
The other group of students have been working around money, the value of coins and notes, grouping and change.

Maths lessons were planned to include practical activities and fun games to make them as meaningful and engaging as possible!



In ICT we have been exploring coding by creating fun little interactive animations and short games using the 'Scratch' website. We also have been working on ways to create great presentations using PowerPoint!

It has been a lovely first half-term for me at Brick Lane school !





# Important Dates 2022/2023

**Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June - Half Term**

**Monday 5th June - Friday 21st July - Summer Term 2**

**Tuesday 13th June - Coffee Morning**

**Thursday 29th June - Eid-Al-Adha (School Closed)**

**Friday 30th June - Inset day (school closed for pupils)**

**Monday 24th July - Monday 4th September - Summer  
Holidays (School Closed)**

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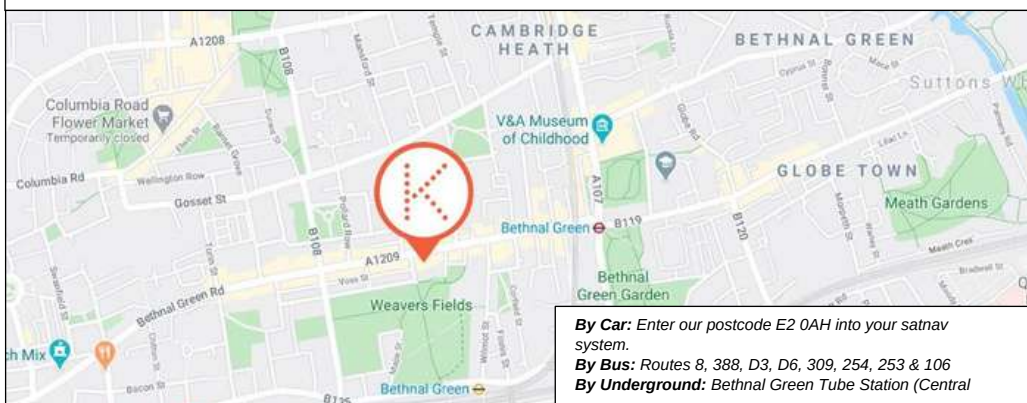
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