



# Braintcroft E-Act Primary Academy Weekly Newsletter



Week ending 20.11.2020



## STARS OF THE WEEK



**Nursery:** **DIAMOND:** Nada for being kind and helpful towards her friends. Aala for becoming more confident with speaking to others.

**Reception:** **CORAL:** Dia, **RUBY:** Arthur, **AMBER:** Nayif for working super hard.

**Year 1:** **JADE:** Noah and Ream, **EMERALD:** Maria-Rita & Khadidja, **TURQUOISE:** Matei and Abeeha for working very hard.

**Year 2:** **CRYSTAL:** Mohammad B and Luan, **ONYX:** Hoda and Amir, **SAPPHIRE:** Youssef Al Zrkan and Mohammad Z for showing good learning.

**Year 3:** **TOPAZ:** Tiana and Barakatullah for always trying their best.

**AQUAMARINE:** **OPAL:** Musawwir A – for working hard and Adil R, for consistently completing homework.

**Year 4:** **GARNET:** Rahaf & David T, **ZIRCON:** Suraya and Yusra, **AMMOLITE:** Hodan and Ahmad S. for making great effort with their homework.

**Year 5:** **AMETHYST:** Ubaidah and Aisha, **MOLDAVITE:** Rebecca and Jasmine, **PEARL:** Jose and Lashae, for their hard work.

**Year 6:** **QUARTZ:** Naematullah and Misbah, **TANZANITE:** Ayaat and Gabriel, **LAPIS-LAZULI:** EKhlas and Eslam for working hard in Year 6.

Another week of fantastic work from our amazing SUPER STARS from Nursery to Year 6. You are AMAZING!



## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

As a school it is our duty to keep our children happy and safe. Throughout the week our children were able to make posters, do fact files, assemblies with singing, dancing and poetry about Bullying. Our children had discussions in lessons about ways in which they were able to allow everyone to feel appreciated at school. Respecting others is not just something that we do during Anti-Bullying Week, it is an important value that our children are taught in many different ways. Next week we will present some of the work done by our children for Anti-Bullying Week 2020.

## PARENTS EVENING BY PHONE CALLS: TUES 24<sup>th</sup> WED 25<sup>th</sup> and THURSDAY 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER.

We know how important it is to speak to the teachers about the ways in which your children are progressing. It is unfortunate that we cannot meet face to face but I am happy for your willingness to speak to the teachers by phone calls. If you still do not have an appointment with your child's class teacher, please contact the school. You can also contact your child's teacher on Class Dojo.

## Assessing our pupil's learning

Pupil assessment will begin on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November and will continue over two weeks in different year groups.

Year 6 and Year 2 will have Mock SATs exams. KS1 Phonics tests will also begin on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November. PIRA, PUMA tests and other subjects in our curriculum will have assessments.

Children should be encouraged to revisit topics they have done, learn their times table, read on their own and do independent work. Learning should continue when they go home. Home learning is important as our children have missed out on so much learning.

## Christmas Nativity Performances

We are still making plans to have our children taking part in Christmas performances. As we are unable to invite parents into school to watch because of Covid rules, we will be filming the classes so that you can watch the children showing off their talents. We will send messages home so that you can know how to support or assist us in making this another successful event.

## IF YOUR CHILD IS SICK...

**Please inform the office if your child has covid, is self-isolating or if any of their family members or persons living in their household is infected.**

**Attendance to school is very important during this time. Our children have been working hard to 'catch-up' on missed learning. They cannot afford to miss out on any more learning.**

**It is also illegal to keep children away for no valid reason.**

## OUR SCHOOL MANTRA:

**SUCCESS** in everything we do, **PERSEVERANCE** to make dreams come true. **INTEGRITY** and honesty that is who we are, **RESILIENCE** to stretch and reach for the stars. **INDEPENDENCE** to make decisions to learn and grow, **THOUGHTFULNESS** of others **The SPIRIT** we all know



This week our featured year group is **YEAR 3**



## Writing



TalkforWriting



This term, Year 3 have been learning how to write a discussion. We have been reading the book "Amazing Grace" and discussing whether it is ok for a girl to take on the lead role of a play (Peter Pan). The children enjoyed debating and discussing arguments for and against a girl taking on a boy's role in a performance.

**Arguments FOR:** "If they have learnt the words and can perform well, why shouldn't they"

**Argument AGAINST** "Peter Pan is a boy so it should be a boy taking on that role."



## Reading

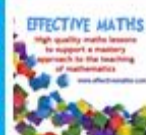


Year 3 have been reading **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** by **Roald Dahl**. Mr. Wonka, the eccentric owner of the greatest chocolate factory in the world, has decided to open the doors of his factory to five lucky children and their parents. If you haven't read this book, year 3 recommend that you do. For those of you who have, can you answer these questions?

1. What does Charlie find in the snow?
2. Who accompanies Charlie on his tour of the chocolate factory?
3. What does Violet Beauregard become after chewing an experimental piece of gum?

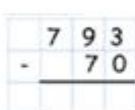
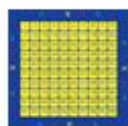
Message to **AQUAMARINE CLASS**: Please continue to do work set for Year 3 on the school's website. Please send a message to your class teacher on class dojo as she is unwell. You will have your Parent Evening phone appointments with your teacher when she is feeling better.

**ASSESSMENT WEEK:** As we are moving towards end of term assessment period we are encouraging our children to do more independent work online to assist their studies.



## Maths

In maths we have been learning about adding and subtracting 3 digit numbers. Year 3 can now use 3 different methods to work out the answers. They include Base 10 blocks, 100 square and column method.



These are some examples of how we present our work in our books.

Please can you ensure that your child is practicing their times tables by logging onto **TTRS**.



## Global Goal

This term year 3 have been learning about In-equality across the world and where we live. We have also been learning about our National Health Service



(NHS). This is some of the work that we have been doing.

**Question:**  
How long has the NHS been around?



## Science

Year 3 are learning about Raw and Synthetic Materials. Did you know that a material is "a substance that has a name."

**Let's test your knowledge - can you answer these questions?:**

1. What is a raw material?
2. Where are the two place that raw materials can come from?