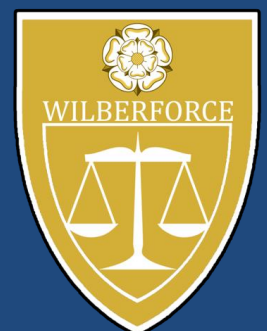


The Bramhope

Buzz

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Hello Bramhope pupils!

Message from your Editors

Belonging!

We decided to make this issue of the magazine all about belonging; who we are, the things we like, what helps us feel like we belong and how we know we belong.

Our school motto

Belong

Be your best

Be Bramhope

What does “belong” mean to you?

- “We belong with Bramhope Buzz. We belong with our school. We belong in our classes. We belong with our friends. We belong in clubs. We belong in houses. We belong in our homes. We ALL BELONG SOMEWHERE, where do you belong?”
- “I love belonging at Bramhope Buzz. It is really fun and I have a great time”
- “it’s all about belonging to the world”
- “We all matter so WE ALL need to belong. We wear badges so we feel included and we all deserve to feel safe”
- “At Buzz we all wear a badge to remind us that we belong. At school your uniform helps you feel like you belong at school”

Bramhope Buzzers 2022-23

Who are we?

We are Bramhope Buzz!

In our first meeting old members of the team told new members about the magazine and what we have done in the past. We went and had a look at the Buzz notice board and agreed it needs updating. We have taken some group photos for the board.



We have had a few changes in the team since September. We now have 18 people in the team. We are from years 3,4,5 and 6.

Badges

Last year we made our own badges. This year we are having some made so we voted on three designs.

This is the winning design which Mrs Judd has had made into badges. Badges help us feel like we belong because people know we are part of the group.

We chose this one because.....

“I wasn’t here but I quite like the bee and the golden part is really good for the background”

“I like the streak of light on the back because bees generally like light”

“It’s good because the background is the colour of a bee and it says Bramhope Buzz”

“I like the fact it is so bright especially the line in the middle”

“It is golden and it has a bee on it”

“I like it because it is so bright”

“We liked the pattern on the front with the gold”



Making the magazine

“Hi from Bramhope Buzz!”

“When we made the magazine we started off sorting out the pictures we wanted. We then wrote what we liked about the visit”

“We needed to put our ideas on big orange bits of paper for each page of the magazine. We needed to help each other to make the magazine and to remember all the ideas”

“It is really fun making the magazine. It is a very fun job. I don't really think of it as a job I think of it as a club”

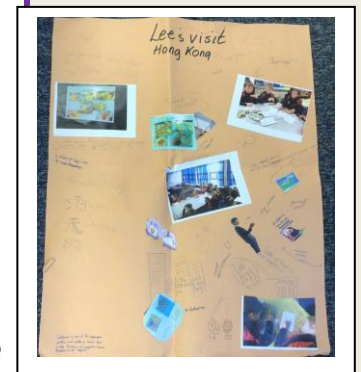
“We started making big sheets to then put on activities for the magazine and put on visits and what we did”

“I loved sticking all the memories on the page”

“It was really fun and we did lots of gluing and cutting and drawing. We loved making it”

“We wrote about the pages of this magazine. We worked very hard on it so we hope you enjoy it”

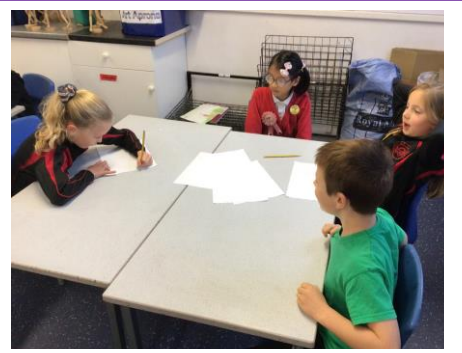
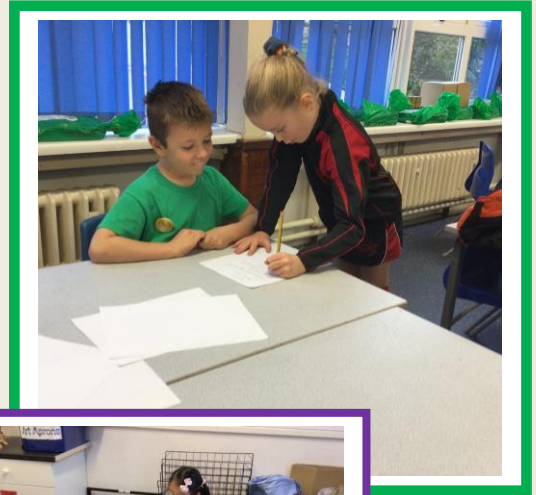
“Bye from Bramhope Buzz!”



The Interviews getting to know you!

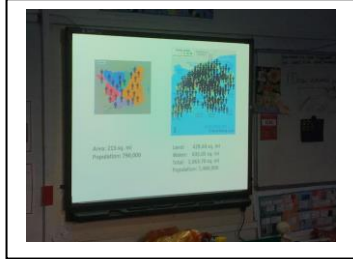
We played a game with question cubes in pairs to help us think about some interesting questions like What is your dream holiday? What is your favourite meal? What would you like to do when you grow up? What is your favourite book?

We interviewed people to see what we know about people. We interviewed each other to learn more about one another to find out similarities and differences. We interviewed people in groups of 3 and 4. We wrote down the things that people told us about themselves We learned a lot about what people like and dislike.



Explorers A visit from Lee

Bethany's Dad, Lee, came and joined us for a Buzz group meeting. He was born in Hong Kong and came to tell us about it. He had a powerpoint with really great photos. We learned all sorts of interesting things. We learned about what it is like as a place and especially what life is like living there. We were really interested that it is about twice the size of Leeds but the population is 10 times bigger.

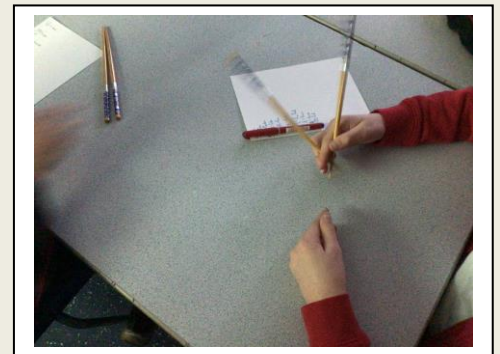


"There are lots of different types of food in Hong Kong" "In Hong Kong they don't just have cornflakes for breakfast, They might have soup, pasta or rice"

We really enjoyed finding about the kinds of food available. Lee helped us have a go with chopsticks and brought some treats for us to sample.

"Nearly everyone liked the 'milk rabbit candies' and we learned about all the amazing food.

Thank you so much to Lee



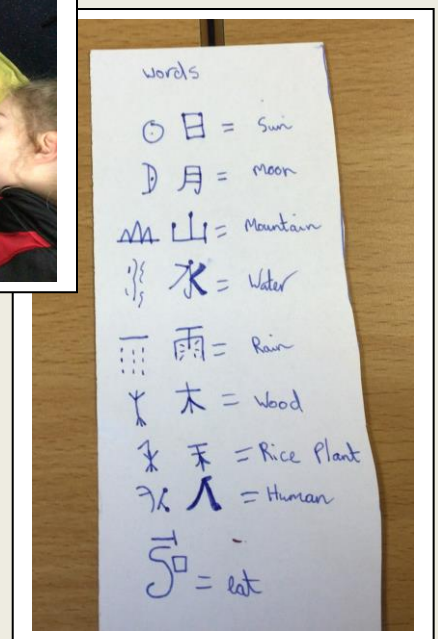
"Learning to write in Cantonese was brilliant"

We loved trying to write in Cantonese. Cantonese is one of the languages spoken and written in China. There is also Mandarin and simplified Chinese.

"I loved learning to write in Cantonese"

Learn how here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y-Rv-sY19kE>



Pets Galore **our pet interviews part 1**



Why are our pets so important?

“you have something to play with, have fun with and feed.”

“because they are a lot of company”

“if they are upset they like to comfort you”

“because they are so cute”

“because they are part of the family”

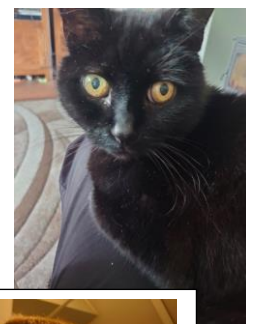
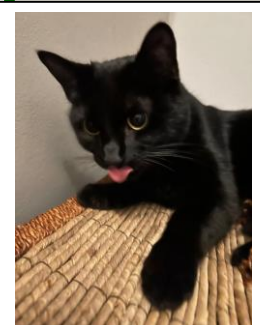
“because they are fun to play with”

This is William's cat. He was interviewed by Ozzy

Her name is Jessie and she is 2. William got her because he asked for a cat. Her birthday is August 16th. Her favourite food is James Well Beloved. Sometimes she has Felix treats. Once his Dad was in the toilet and Jessie jumped into the toilet and got wet! Her favourite drink is water. She has green eyes and had blue eyes when she was little.

He once let Jessie into the car and she went on the windscreen, which made it tricky to drive. Whenever you touch her tummy she will scratch you. She likes to do roly-polys and sleep in William's bed. She hates being chased.

Joke: What's cat's favourite colour? Purr-ple!



This is Eva's hamster and she was interviewed by Peter and Emilia

How old is he? 1 year old **When did you get him?** 13th August 2022

What is his favourite food? Nuts **How did you choose him?** He chose me.

Do you like him? I don't like him I love him! **What does he not like?** Nothing

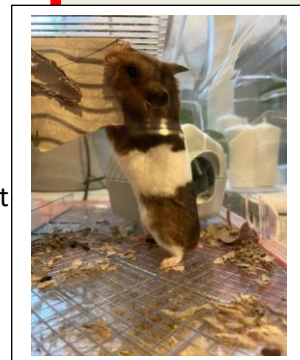
Does he like you? Yes **Do you think he's cute?** Yeeees

Eva's story about Harry:

So when we got Harry out for the first time (he was in the utility room) he got through a tiny gap and my Dad had to use cheese and a light to get him out.

Joke: Where do hamsters go on holiday?

Hamsterdam!



These are Thomas' pets. He was interviewed by Louis

Harry is his cat but he likes to call him Meowzer. He is 18 years old but very old in cat years. Maybe 82! Harry eats cat food. Harry likes to be stroked on the chin bone. He once had a cat fight.

Thomas also also has a rat called Whiskers. He got him because he is “adorable” even though he is weird looking. Whiskers likes to eat Weetabix and vegetables. He is very lively. He likes to be stroked from the ears to his tail. Once Whiskers went under the TV for two hours and another time he did a wee on Thomas's Dad's shoe! Thomas's brother Sam also has a rat called Harry Potter.

Thomas used to have a stick insect called Thunder. Thomas hatched Thunder from a stick insect egg.

Joke: What's a rat's favourite film? Fast and Furriest!

DISCOVERERS A visit from Maike

Alice B's Mum, Maike, came to talk to us about Germany, where she was born, "because it was close to Christmas we decided to find out about a German Christmas". Maike brought Christmas decorations to show us.

"The decorations were so detailed and cool" "the baubles were very interactive"

"Maike brought in a tablecloth from her Grandma"

"There was a special table cloth and we learned about what you might do in the holiday" in Germany"

"It was a really fun experience"

"Christmas in Germany is on our Christmas Eve (December 24th)"
"When people go to church Santa drops off presents."

"I loved learning about a German Christmas. I especially loved the "smoking" man". We even lit the candle aflame. It was very fun (outside)"

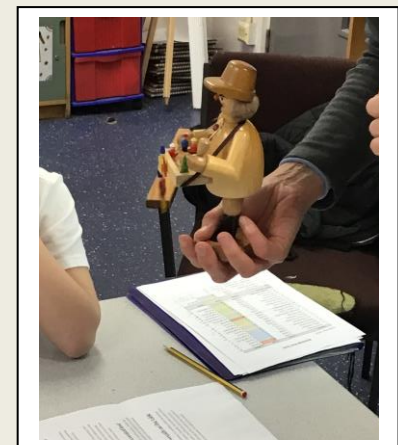
"We also learned a Christmas song in German"

"We enjoyed the moment when we had cakes and treats because it was fun and the treats were delicious"

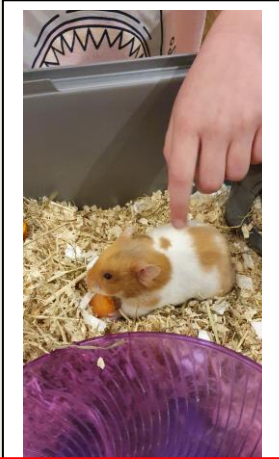
"We had little chocolate biscuits with jelly inside called Lebkuchen"

"I really loved the German treats they tasted amazing"

Thank you Maike



Pets Galore our pet interviews continued



Ava wanted to tell us about her hamster who lived until he was 2.

“His name was Toffee. I got him because I had a really good report. His favourite thing to do was sleep. He used to have 2 tablespoons of hamster food a day but his favourite food was cucumber. His favourite toy was a chew. He used to wake up at about 6pm.”

Meet Emelia’s rabbit. She was interviewed by Eva, Elsie and Peter

Where does she live?

In a hutch but also lives in a run

What’s her name? Taffy she is a miniature dwarf rabbit

When’s her birthday? When did you get her? In 2021

Where did you get her from? We went to a lady’s house. My sister Bethany got a rabbit too.

How did you choose her? Yes she just stood out

What is her favourite snack? Bananas and Love Heart grass

Emelia said: I really wanted a rabbit and we had to wait until we had moved house. I love her, she is so cute.

JOKE: How do you know carrots are good for your eyes? Because you never see rabbits wearing glasses.



This Ellin’s dog and she was interviewed by Alice B, Elliott and Georgia

Fact file:

Name: Meadow Breed: Golden Retriever

Age: 2 years old Birthday December 22nd

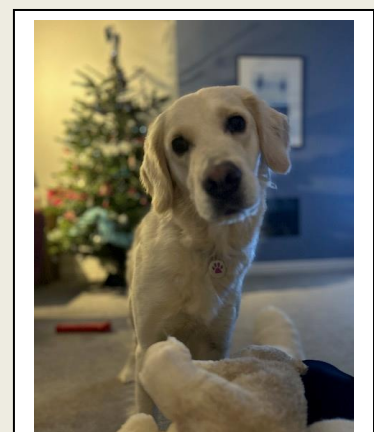
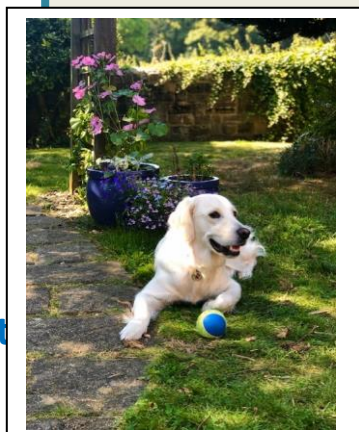
Born in Wales

We got her on 13th February 2020

She is terrified of other dogs but loves humans.

She loves getting tickled on her chest. Her favourite toy is a polar bear she got last Christmas. She loves the “zoomies”.

JOKE: What dog keeps the best time? A watch dog



Pets part 3

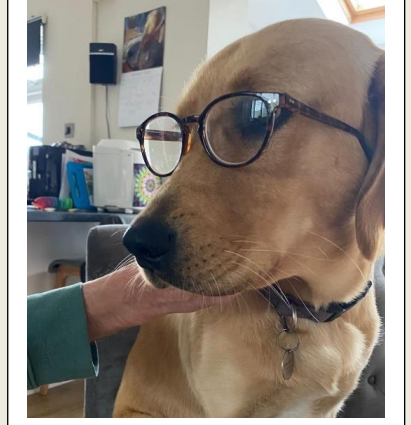
Here is Alice and Peter's dog. They were interviewed by Eva and Elliott

His name is Vedder and he is 2 and a half. We got him in August 2020 from a nice person in Leicestershire. Vedder is a Fox Red Labrador Cross with a golden retriever and he is a giant dog. We got him as a replacement for a dog who used to jump on the table. He really cheered us up in lockdown. His eyes are deep brown and he can run about 20 miles per hour.

Things you need to know about Vedder:

1. His favourite place for walks is Arncliffe Crags
2. He shreds all his toys
3. He has been sick a few times
4. He can eat worming tablets, they don't need to be hidden in food.
5. He wakes up when we wake up
6. Once he jumped on the Wendy house and jumped up onto the roof and then over the hedge.

JOKE: What did the dog say when he sat on the sandpaper? Ruff!



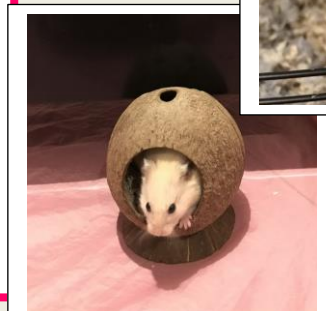
Here is a picture of Hoochy Pace who Elliott helps to care for either when Hoochy visits his house (which is regularly and he is in situ at the moment) or when he's with Grandma and Grandad who live at the end of the road.

Hoochy was 15 on New Years Day and loves to sleep on a comfy sofa, getting down only really for meals or to be stroked.

Evelyn and Elsie have two hamsters. They were interviewed by Frankie

Name: Biscuit and Ginger **Breed:** Syrian **Age:** 1
Gender: boys **Colour:** White and ginger
Favourite food: apples **Favourite toy:** gnaw toy
Favourite exercise: freedom in the house
Favourite place: bed and a coconut
When do they wake up? 7pm because they are nocturnal

Joke: what do you call a hamster that isn't professional? Hamateur!



★ Maisie's Comic Stars ★



In past issues were lucky enough to have our own resident comic book writer Maisie W who had been a member of Bramhope Buzz since it began. Maisie W left Bramhope for Prince Henry's in September. The Buzz team invited her to send in a Ziggy cartoon for this issue. She wrote:

It's Maisie here! Hope you're well and having a good year so far. Thank you so much for a chance to do another Ziggy Comic, I enjoyed it a lot!

*Best wishes and hope everybody likes it,
Maisie :)*

MAKE ISSUE 16 ALL ABOUT YOU!

Hopefully you will feel inspired to send us something for Issue 16 of the Bramhope Buzz.

Beehive of Suggestions



Make it an un“bee”lievable issue ready for the holidays.

- Calling all comic strip artists! Get drawing and send a comic strip or cartoon for our next issue.
- If you have been doing any gardening you might like to write in and tell us what you are growing. You could keep a plant diary or take some pictures of your garden. Have there been any interesting birds or wildlife that you have spotted? Have you had any great finds like a mouse hole?
- Have you been doing any cooking or baking? Would you like to share a recipe? Can you send any pictures of your baking triumphs or disasters?
- Has something funny happened to you or your family? You could write about it and send it in. Please send your best jokes to keep us all laughing.
- We bet some of you have got some interesting and gorgeous pets. You could write and tell us all about them. Why not find a great picture which we might feature next time in Pets' Corner.
- If you are feeling creative we would love to see examples of your art, stories, poems etc.
- We are sure there will be some of you out there with some great puzzle ideas. So, get your brain in gear and write in with your riddles, challenges or puzzles.

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