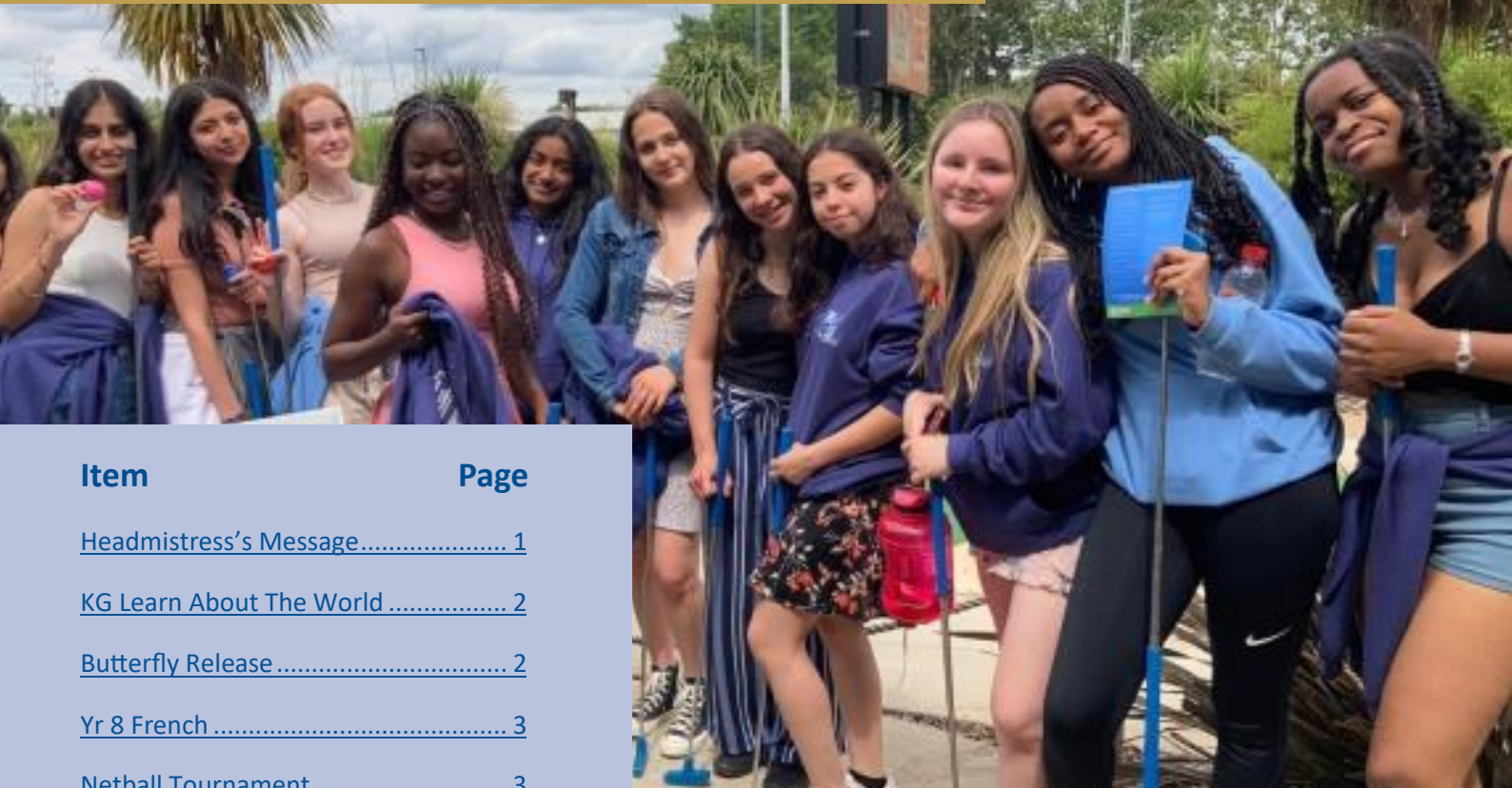


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Headmistress's Message

Dear parents,

This week, we have said goodbye (for now) to our delightful Year 11 pupils. We have celebrated the end of their school career at Braeside by gathering together for a final time to share memories of a wonderful school experience and hopes and dreams for the future. They will be missed by all the pupils and staff.

Early Years pupils have been learning about growth and change and their potted beans and vegetables have grown to impressive heights! Year 2 have also experienced growth and change by nurturing their caterpillars into butterflies. It was wonderful community celebration when Year 2 released them into the wild.

I hope to see you at our various End of Year Celebrations and at Sports Day at Lee Valley!

Best wishes,

Mrs Moon

Kindergarten Take A Trip Around The World

Kindergarten have had a very busy half term learning about different countries. They listened to The Very Hungry Caterpillar in Spanish and learnt some basic Spanish words.

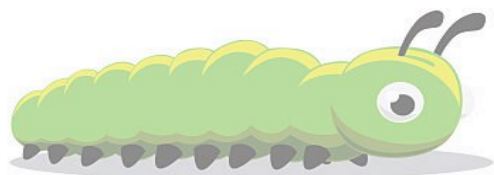
Mrs Fiori talked to the children about life in Italy and they helped to make pizza which they thoroughly enjoyed eating at snack time.

They loved hearing about different South African food and animals from Mrs Willemse and showed great imagination creating Picasso-inspired portraits and Leaning Tower of Pisa models. Finally, they had lots of fun having a go at Flamenco and Bollywood dancing.



Butterfly Release

Friday 28th was a very exciting day at Braeside, the butterflies that have been growing from caterpillars in the classroom were released into the gardens. The butterflies must have loved their classroom home as they didn't seem that keen to go, at least it gave the pupils a close up view before they flew away!



Year 8 French

DO run in the house: Year 8 had fun processing French vocabulary for rooms in the house and furniture by racing each other to the correct room when asked where a particular piece of furniture is.



Normanhurst VS Braeside Netball Match



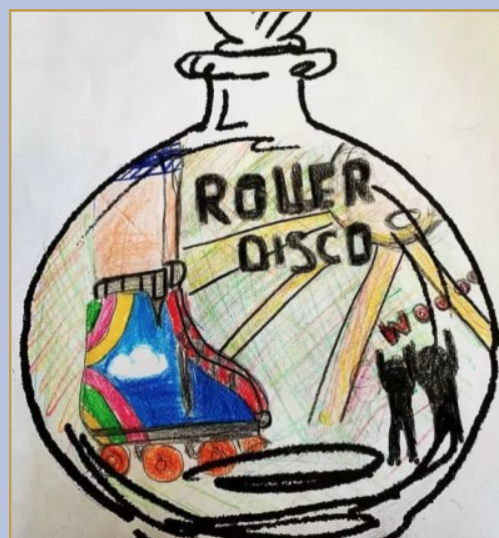
A greatly contested netball match against Normanhurst saw the Year 11 Braeside netball team come out on top! It was a close match with excellent netball on display from both teams but Braeside managed to win 8-7! Excellent defending from Simona and Zaneta meant Normanhurst shooters had a difficult task on their hands. Nell performed outstandingly in the circle and scored a large number of our goals! Well done everyone!



Bottle Moments Winner

Congratulations Bea who has been chosen as a winner in the Nation wide 'Bottle Moments' competition! From thousands of entries only 40 designs were chosen. Bea can't wait to get back to the roller disco when they re-open.

What are you dreaming of doing once the pandemic is over?



Reception Plant Fruit and Vegetables

The topic this term is growing and Reception have been busy planting broad beans, runner beans, peas, sunflowers, tomato plants, strawberries and marigolds. The children will be taking care of the plants by watering them and making sure they have enough light. We can't wait to see all of the seeds turn into flowers, fruit and vegetables!



Woodland Walks

Early Years children love their woodland walks. This week they were on the search for mini-beats on the forest floor. The cool shade of the trees has been perfect for these sunny warm days. Fingers crossed it continues!



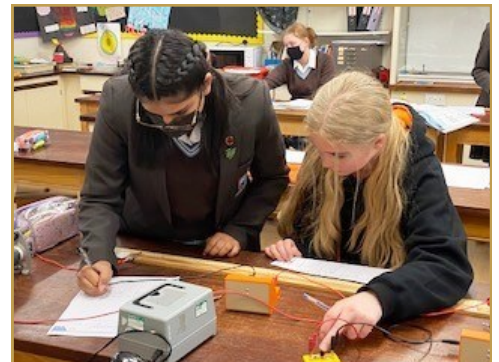
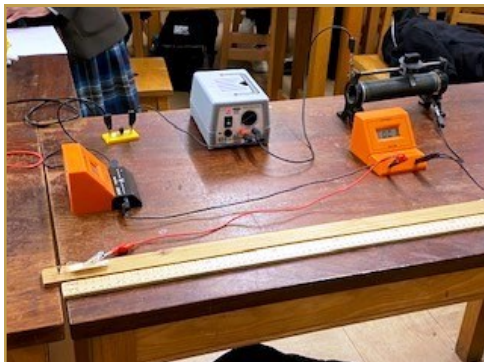


Year 3 and 4 Learn About Body Percussion

Year 3 and 4 have been experimenting with percussion instruments, body percussion and movement in performance. The pupils loved getting up and moving whilst learning. We had some lovely performances, well done all!

Pupils Get Back To Hands On Science!

One thing that was seriously lacking during lockdown was the chance to investigate practically in Science lessons. We're happy to be rectifying that now we're back. We've revised our microscope skills focussing on slides of a locust's reproductive system, recreated molecules with the molymod sets and designed circuits to see the relationship between the length of a wire and it's resistance. The results tables and graphs produced showed how well students are progressing when working scientifically. Well done pupils, you've made your teacher proud!



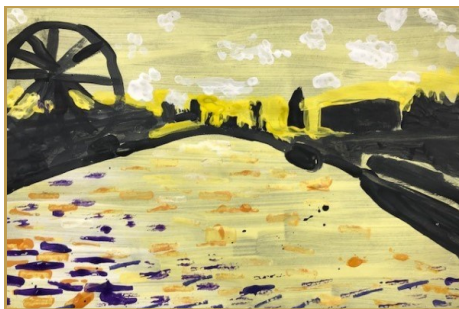
Year 2 Work On Their Pattern Music

Year 2 have been working on pattern music. They have built up from one part each to 3 parts with 3 separate sections. They are learning how to follow a code to produce a piece of music and know when it is their turn to play in a small group or pair. They have used percussion instruments, body percussion and dance moves.



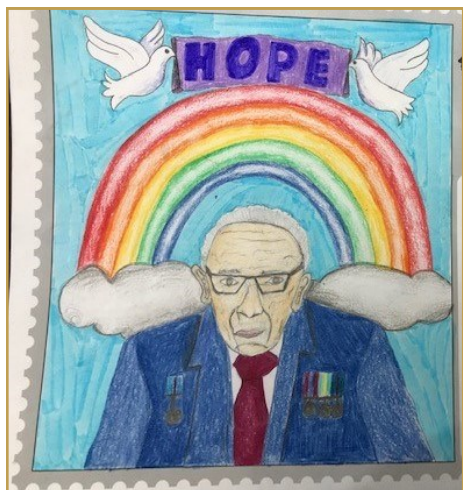
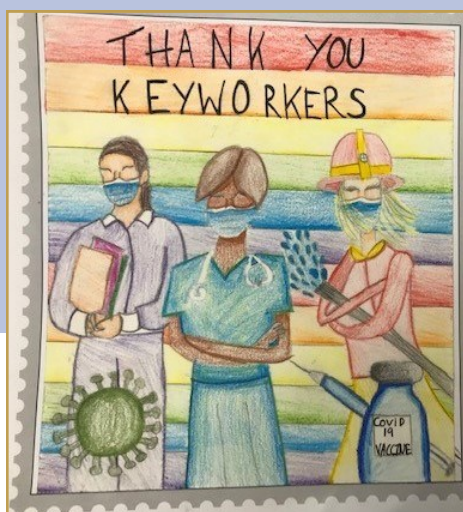
Year 3 & 4 Monet Inspired Art

Like Monet, Year 3 and 4 have been exploring views of The River Thames. Pupils have focused on capturing different times of the day using a range of different techniques. The pupils loved using their paint brush upside down and the edges of cardboard to create atmospheric surface textures. Well done pupils, great work .



Royal Mail Stamp Heroes

Year 7 have worked really hard to produce stamp designs for The Royal Mail Heroes Stamp Competition. The criteria was for them to be creative and imaginative, show a range of skills and techniques like colour contrast and composition and respond to the design brief. Great work year 7!



Year 11's Last Weeks At Braeside



Leavers Breakfast

Year 11 had their Form Leaver's Breakfast this month. Mrs Hucbourg organised a French breakfast with delights from the local French café. Pupils enjoyed juice, croissants and other pastries as they prepare for their final days at Braeside.

Jurassic Crazy Golf

The pupils had a fantastic afternoon at Jurassic crazy golf. It was lovely to get out of the classroom on such a nice day and do something fun that the pupils will remember. Moments like this where the pupils are all together and enjoying each others company are very special and we are sure they will all miss each other as we will miss them!



Fish Friday

Year 11's final fish and chip Friday - Pupils enjoyed a lovely meal and Steve the chef created a special dessert presented on their very own table before they went on their adventure golf trip.

World Oceans Day - The catering team created a fish feast for pupils, which is in addition to the delicious fish and chips they usually get. Trout, salmon and prawn were on the menu and the pupils loved it!



Early Years Virtual Open Event

On Wednesday 9 June our Early Years department held a very successful virtual open event. Prospective pupils parents could get a virtual look inside our wonderful school and hear about Early Years life from Mrs Moon and Mrs Copeman as well as hearing from some of our brilliant pupils.

[Click HERE to watch the events.](#)



Thank You Messages

We gave our parents the opportunity to say thanks to teachers and staff after what has been an exceptional year, and we were blown away by the response.



Co-Education

Did you know that Braeside will be going Co-ed from September 2021?

We believe the introduction of boys into the school will have a huge range of benefits. You can learn more about our introduction to Co-ed on our website where there is a lot of information, including a detailed Q+A.

Use [THIS LINK](#) to read our Co-Education blog post.

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