

raising EXPLORERS

"The After School Learning Club"

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NEWSLETTER





Our **spotlight star** this month is **Joaquim**. Since joining Raising Explorers, **Joaquim** has brought a positive attitude and a smile that lights up the room.

He quickly made friends and **eagerly** joined every activity, always showing enthusiasm, cheerfulness, and giving his very **best**.

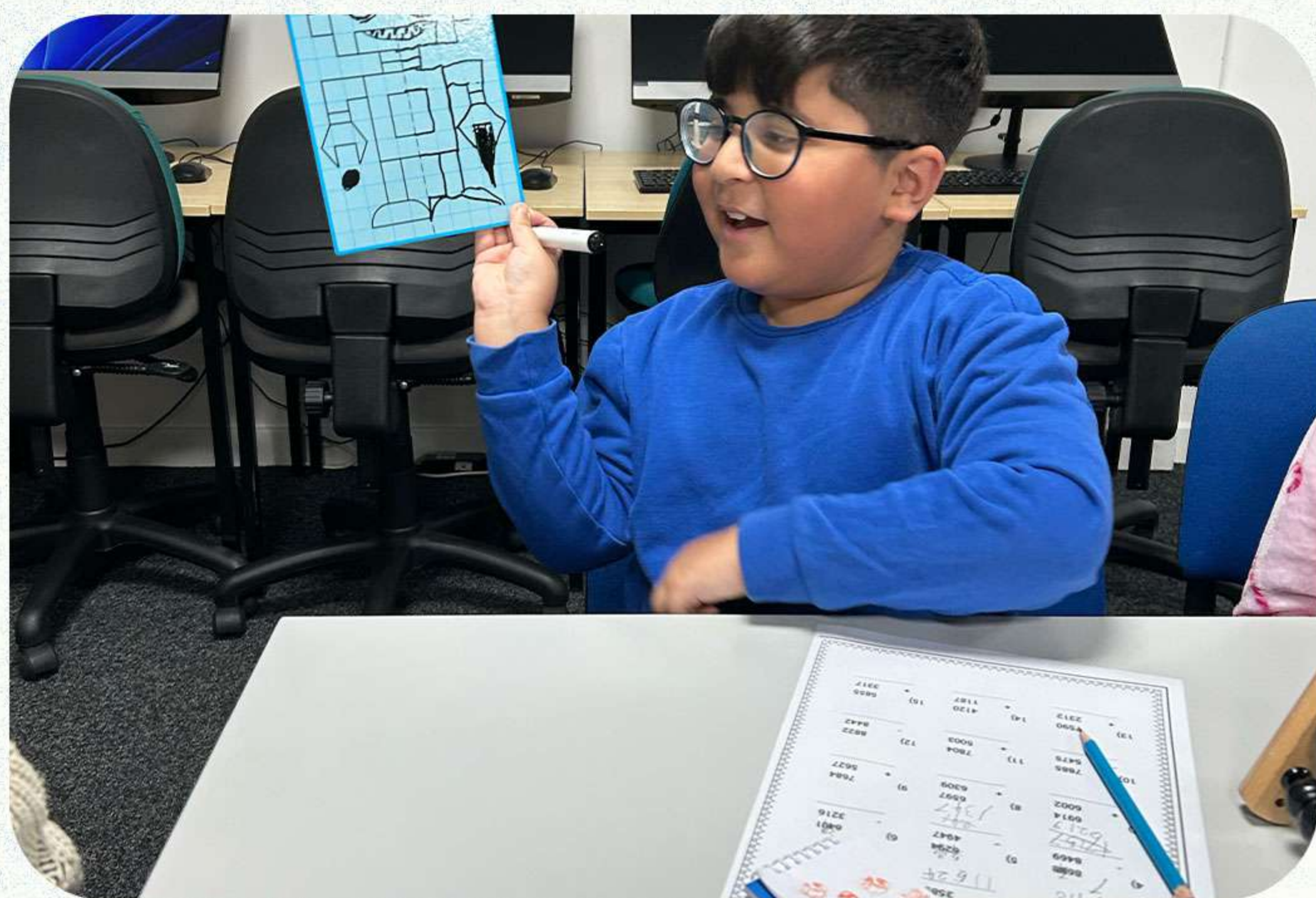
FESTIVE ARTS



JAM-PACKED HOLIDAY CLUB

This **holiday club** at Raising Explorers was full of fun, creativity, and excitement! Children enjoyed baking, arts and crafts, and decorating their own **snowmen** and **Christmas trees**. Baking was a favourite, with children eager to join in again and again.

Trips to **Flip Out**, **bowling**, and the **cinema** added extra adventure and kept everyone active and engaged. Laughter, learning, and energy filled every moment, making each day special. As always, the holiday club ended on a high, with both **children and staff** wishing it didn't have to finish.



LITTLE LEARNERS, BIG SMILES

At Raising Explorers, we want to merge learning and fun together. During the week from **4:15pm to 4:45pm** the children engage with learning time, where they are given out worksheets.

Our **supportive staff** make sure to go around offering guidance, encouragement and support to all the children with the work. Making sure that every child understands the topic of the day and feels confident in their **learning**. We want our children to find learning just as enjoyable as our other activities planned.

This helps build their **confidence**, **reinforces** school learning and helps the children enjoy learning with staff support knowing if they get stuck someone can give them guidance.



WINTER HOLIDAY CLUB

Our **Winter Holiday Club** was the perfect festive send-off to an unforgettable year at **Raising Explorers**! Our explorers had an amazing time on exciting local outings, including **ice skating**, where confidence grew with every glide, and a little help from our favourite penguin **skating aids**. Back at the centre, the fun continued with **winter-themed crafts**, festive games and plenty of baking, filling our days with laughter, creativity and the sweet smell of treats. From making memories with friends to learning through play, our Winter Holiday Club truly had it all — and with February **Holiday Club** just around the corner, we can't wait to do it all again!



SPOTLIGHT STAR

This month, we're **celebrating** the wonderful progress and positive attitude of one of our childcare stars, **Aairah**.

It's been a joy watching her confidence grow as she joins in activities, builds friendships and explores the world around her. Her kindness, good manners and enthusiasm make us incredibly proud — keep shining, **Aairah**!



BRADFORD BD8 BRANCH



NURSERY NEWS

We're incredibly proud to share that our Raising Explorers Nursery has achieved a **5-star hygiene rating**! This milestone reflects the high standards we maintain every day. From cleanliness to food preparation, our team works with care to ensure our **babies and toddlers** are in a safe, healthy and nurturing environment.

We believe that fuelling little explorers with nutritious, well-prepared meals helps them grow strong, happy and **healthy** — and this rating is a wonderful recognition of that **commitment**.



A EUREKA MOMENT!

This holiday club, our **Raising Explorers** headed to **Eureka!**, full of curiosity and the firm belief that everything needed to be touched at least twice.

There was building (the construction site descended into **cheerful chaos**), role-play (the supermarket sold out after a daring bank raid), exploring **anatomy**, dancing with lights, **experimenting**, and an impressive number of very important, very loud **questions**. Minds were stretched, imaginations ran wild, and energy levels were unstoppable – a **roaring success** and possibly the loudest learning experience ever!



SPOTLIGHT STAR

We are delighted to introduce **Abu Bakr**, our January **Star** of the Month! Since joining us, he has settled in wonderfully, made friends straight away, and become a valued member of our **Juniors** group. **Abu Bakr** has also shown a cheeky side, enjoying the occasional playful “**prank**” on staff, which always brings smiles and laughter. He truly is a pleasure to have at Raising Explorers, and we love seeing him thrive and grow with each passing day.



NURSERY HAS TAKEN OVER!

This week our nursery children stepped into the story of **Jack and the Beanstalk**! They built beanstalks with dough, pipe cleaners, pasta, leaves and cereal, boosting creativity and fine motor skills. Story-led play helps develop language, imagination and confidence – and our little **Jacks and Kates** loved every moment.

 **Raising Explorers Nursery** | Ofsted registered | Ages 0–5 |  7:30am–7:30pm

