

## Early Years

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022

### News and Reminders

As a school we like to promote healthy eating and healthy bodies. To support this at school we ask that children only have water in their water bottles. Thank you.

As the weather turns colder and wetter please make sure your child has a named coat in school. We are also encouraging the children to put on their coats and do up their zips independently. Please keep encouraging this at home, thank you.

**Chatterbags** - each half term, the children will take it in turn to bring home a Chatterbag for one week. These will be handed out on a Friday and must be returned the following Thursday. Children should bring in one or two items of interest in the bag. They will then show and tell their items to the class. Items will be returned on the day of their show and tell. We will then take photographs of the children with these items for their all about me folder. Items can be related to our themes or topics or they can be linked to a special event or

### Homework

Purple Mash homework: This is set every Friday and is due in the following Thursday.

Practice writing your name and CVC words: mat, sad, mum and dad.

Please read/share your child's book daily for at least 10 minutes; please sign the reading record diary after you have read with your child. Your child should bring home a reading book and reading record today.

Please also use the EYFS email address to communicate and questions and queries. The email address is [eyfs@biertoncombined.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:eyfs@biertoncombined.bucks.sch.uk). We will be checking the email regularly and we will reply to you as quickly as we can.

We will be using Tapestry to share observations of the children. You should receive one observation each Friday. You should have received an email to join Tapestry, please make sure you do this to have access to all your child's

celebration you might have had. ***Our first group went out this week, please let us know if you have any questions!***

observations. On Tapestry you are also able to upload your own videos/ photos for us to see and share with the class.

### Our Learning

This half term our topics will be: All About me. We will also be learning about Harvest and how to keep our bodies healthy.

This week we have been reading the book The Big Book of Families. This is a lovely book that explains different families to the children and we have discussed our own families as a class. We have discussed different family dynamics and why they are special to us. We have then challenged the children to write labels for their own family pictures.

In phonics we have started learning our new sounds: **i, n, p, g, o, c, k, ck**. We have taught the children how to say the sounds correctly and how to write the sounds using our Read Write Inc rhymes. If you would like to watch a video of how to pronounce our sounds please click on the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkXcabDUg7Q&t=53s>

In maths we have been subitising dot patterns by saying what we see and how we see it. We have also introduced Numberblocks to the children and have look at the number 2 and how it is made. The children have all learnt to say the sentence: 1 and another 1 makes 2. The children have had the opportunity to make their own tea parties for number 3 and have found the correct objects to match the number. We have also learnt the sentence '1 and 1 and 1 makes 3'.

We have also been talking about responsibility within the classroom. We are encouraging the children to tidy up what they have played with by reminding them that if they 'choose it, use it, they put it away.' It is very important that all the children are working together to tidy their learning environment and respect their toys.

Your children might come home this week and tell you they have been completing a special task with one of the teachers at school. We are currently completing a Government Baseline assessment with the children. This involves a range of activities that are recorded for Government purposes. We do not keep a record of the data it produces as this is sent off. We have made the experience as fun as possible for the children so they are not worried about any of the tasks.

### Superstar Learners

Christian Value awards:

#### Alder

Love: Joshua

Co-operation: Imogen

#### Ash

Responsibility: Nancy

Responsibility: Mabel A

### Diary Dates

**Forest School (please come into school wearing Forest School kit and bring spares):** Ash- Friday

Alder- Wednesday

**PE (please come in to school wearing PE kit):**

Ash: Wednesday

Alder: Thursday

#### **Library:**

Fortnightly

Ash class: Thursday

Alder class: Friday

Please remember to bring in your books so your child can change it.

#### **Forest School**

Ash will have Forest School on FRIDAY.

Alder will have Forest School on WEDNESDAY.

#### **Key dates**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October (2:00-3:15pm) - Celebration of Harvest and Healthy eating. **More information to follow.**

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October - children break up for half-term (3:15pm)

Friday 21<sup>th</sup> October - Inset day in school



## Forest School Families





## Classroom Fun

