

## Early Years

Friday 9.6.2023

### **News and Reminders**

Well we have been extremely busy since we have been back from half term. Our first week back was full of sports and finished with the 'come and try it festival'. The children got to try a range of sports; skipping, tennis, karate, boxercise, athletics, Zumba, hockey, football and circuit training. We're sure the children slept well as they gave 100%! We have also been practising for our sports day. The children are taking part in some races and we have been concentrating on sportsmanship throughout the week.

#### **Spirituality**

The children have been learning about social action and how we can help other people. We will be learning more about the projects that the school is involved in including helping the food bank and supporting children in a school in Africa.

#### **School Trip**

We are really looking forward to our school trip next week, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June. You should have received all the relevant information regarding the trip. Please let us know if you have any additional questions. As a quick reminder please ensure your child has sun cream applied before they come to school as we will not be able to take it with us, children should also wear a named sun hat (if necessary) and if your child is bringing their own packed lunch this should be in a named plastic bag, we will dispose of this at the farm.

#### **Forest School**

As the weather improves it is important to note that children must have their arms and legs covered when in the forest. This is due to the fact that there are stinging nettles in the forest.

#### **Spare Clothes**

Thank you for your kind donations of spare clothes. Please do remember, if your child comes home with some of our spare clothes we would be grateful to have these returned clean, as soon as possible.

**Junk Modelling**

Please continue to send in any clean cardboard boxes, yogurt pots, small bottles or any other items that you would normally put in the recycling bin. The children are able to make amazing models and this is encouraging their problem-solving skills and imagination.

**Summer Safety**

As the weather improves please ensure that your child is wearing sunscreen and a sunhat to school. It is better if you can use a 12 hour sunscreen as we are unable to put sunscreen on the children. Please make sure that your child's hat is clearly named as we often have the same hat. Please also ensure that children have a water bottle in school every day.

**Toys in School**

In Reception we do not do show and tell. If children have something special to show us please take a photo and upload it to Tapestry. We will then be able to talk about it during the week. Toys should NOT be brought into school. They often get lost or broken and the children become very upset.

**Our Learning**

We have started our topic of Let the Adventure Begin! Our main adventure will be our school trip next week, our first big adventure from school. We will also be looking at the journeys we make and why we make them, including our journey to Year 1.

The children have also been completing RWI assessments this week, this is the last assessment this year. If the children have moved groups they will hopefully be starting them next, once groups are confirmed.

Our first week back we have also been discussing healthy eating and the importance of looking after our bodies and our minds. We have had a few discussions about what makes our food healthy and we can look after our bodies in the hotter weather. We are encouraging the children to drink lots of water by rewarding empty bottles with Dojo points!

In maths we have begun using the rekenreks. The children have learnt the 'ready position' and have become familiar with the 'one push' method to move the beads. We have been really impressed with the children and how quickly they have been able to

subitise using the rekenrek. We have also begun to consolidate our previous learning by revisiting dot patterns and thinking about 'what do you see and how do you see it.'

### Superstar Learners

The Christian Values Awards so far this term are:

Alder:

Love: Thanvi

Ash:

Love: Mabel A

### Diary Dates

**Outdoor activities (please come into school wearing Forest School kit and bring spares):**

**Ash and Alder: Thursday**

Alder class to come to school in PE kit and bring waterproofs to put over the top for forest school.

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

**Earrings must be removed or taped**

Ash- Wednesday

Alder- Thursday

Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> June - Reception trip to Mead Open Farm

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June - Sports' Day

Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> June - FOBS Summer Fair

Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> June - Doughnuts with Dad open parents' session

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June- Vision Screening









A bit of water fun to cool down after our busy morning|

