

## Year 1 and Year 2

14<sup>th</sup> October 2020

### News and Reminders

#### **INSET Day**

Just a reminder that school closes next week on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October as we have a staff training day on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>. School will reopen on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

#### **Plea for materials**

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, please could every child bring in a NAMED piece of cardboard (a front or back of a cereal box will do), as well as an empty egg box. We need these for w/c Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you.

#### **Plea for parent readers**

If you have any spare time, we would be grateful for some more parent readers in KS1. If you are interested, please email [ks1@biertoncombined.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:ks1@biertoncombined.bucks.sch.uk)

#### **Seesaw**

Work on Seesaw will be checked a minimum of once a week. One piece of homework will be commented on and other bits and pieces the children will receive a 'like'.

### Homework

In Year 1 and 2, the children have daily reading, weekly spellings, fortnightly maths and fortnightly reading comprehension.

All homework will be set on Seesaw on a Friday and due on the following Friday.

#### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October-**

Maths homework due in and spelling test.  
Reading comprehension set and new spellings (unless still on previous spellings as explained)

#### **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October-**

Reading comprehension due in and spelling test.  
No homework will be given over half term. Please continue to encourage your child to read and practise on NumBots.

#### **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November-**

Maths comprehension homework set and new spellings (unless still on previous spellings as explained)

## Our Learning

### Literacy and Topic:

We have been reading Jack and the Beanstalk, which the children are thoroughly enjoying! They have worked incredibly hard and have been re-writing the story, focusing on adjectives (Year 1), adverbs and exciting openers (Year 2). Next week we are celebrating our final week of this Topic by having a 'Topic week'. In our Literacy lessons, we will be writing riddles and also creating a fairytale mash-up! We are going to be mixing up the characters in fairytales and changing the outcomes of the stories. We think it will be a lot of fun and we can't wait to share some pictures with you! Our Topic after half term will be 'Great Fire of London'. Check out the next newsletter for some updates on our new Topic.

### Maths:

In Year 1, the children have been working hard on their addition skills. They have been creating addition stories, completing part whole diagrams, as well as adding numbers by counting on. They have now moved onto subtraction. In Year 2, the children have also been working on their addition and subtraction skills. They have used different methods such as partitioning, a number line and the column method. As well as this, the children have been continuing to learn how to count in 2s, 5s and 10s.

### Hello Yellow Day:

We had a great day focusing on mental health and wellbeing. Thank you for sending in your donations, it will be really appreciated by the charity.



### Accelerated Reader and Reading around the world

The children are really motivated to read at the moment which is fantastic! As well as the shout outs in Mr Gadsby's Friday celebration assembly, we have a few additional children to mention: Mr Glanney would like to say a combined well done to Blackthorn class for their continued effort with reading and completing quizzes, Mrs Bramley and Mrs Pearce would like to say well done to all of Beech class as nearly every child has reached the first destination and Miss Rawlins would like to say a special mention to Blake, Seth, Effie, Halle, Nirah and Pranshu, for trying really hard with their reading.

### NumBots shout outs:

All 3 classes have now spent time in school practising NumBots and the teachers have tried to enthuse and motivate them to want to do this at home. It has been great to see that many of the children have achieved certificates over the past few weeks.

#### **Beech class-**

**Rust-** Khayrah, Louie, Rose, Sophie S, Elsie L

**Iron-** Harvey, Gracie, Ellie, Sophie H, Imogen, Chloe, Jodie, Ralph, Summer, Jaiah, Elsie P, Millie, Corey, Elliott, Fletcher, Dylan, Benson

**Tin-** Mahi, Inaaya, Thomas, Theo, David, Rocco

**Copper-** Riley

#### **Birch class-**

**Rust-** Asha

**Iron-** Effie, Halle, Grace, Marley, Thomas, Reuben, Xavi, Keon, Callum, Holly, Ella-Rose, Jeevan, Louie, Adam, Alex, Zara

**Tin-** Molly, Hazel, Pranshu, Blake, Seth, Aadiya

**Brass-** Nirah

#### **Blackthorn class-**

**Iron-** Sean, Eva, Noah F, Haylie, Furayah, Tanvi, Noah M, Ethan O, Mollie, Harper, Ethan A, Neo, Freya, Safa, Lilly

**Tin-** Jack, Ollie, Libby, Maxwell, Harrison, Harry, Elira, Jessica, Pearl

**Copper-** Stephen, Sonny, Max

**Brass-** Odesh, Leila, Mia

### Christian Value Certificates

We are now celebrating children who have shown our Christian values by awarding them with Star of the Week in our Friday celebration assemblies. Mr Gadsby is recording these and then we are sharing them virtually with our classes! We will also put the link on Seesaw for you to watch with your child at home.

Congratulations to the following children for demonstrating our Christian Values over the last 2 weeks.

#### **Beech-**

2.10.20- Corey for RESPONSIBILITY because he always works so hard and takes great pride in all of his work.

9.10.20- Inaaya for COOPERATION as she has been editing her work independently and working so hard with her writing.

16.10.20- Benson for RESPONSIBILITY. This week he has blown us away with his efforts. He is trying his best at all times and is showing a huge determination to do well.

#### **Birch-**

2.10.20- Lyle for COOPERATION. He has been joining in all class activities with a smile on his face.

9.10.20- Halle for LOVE. She always shows kindness and supports her friends.

### Diary Dates

Below are the important diary dates for the next 2 weeks. The next fortnightly update will be sent out on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November where you will find updated diary dates.

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October-** Beech Class Forest School

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October -** Birch Class Forest School

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October-** School closes for half term

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October-** INSET Day- School closed

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November-** School reopens

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November-** Beech Class Forest School

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November-** Birch Class Forest School

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November-** Blackthorn Class Forest School

16.10.20- Molly for *COOPERATION*. She has been taking an active part in writing lessons and always shares her ideas with the class.

**Blackthorn-**

9.10.20- Noah M for *LOVE*. He is incredibly kind and thoughtful and will often think about the feelings of others above himself. He is a fantastic role model for how we should treat each other.

16.10.20- Lilly for *RESPONSIBILITY*. She has shown a real determination to do well and is so enthusiastic in class. She takes responsibility for her reading and is working really hard to complete her books and quizzes. Her happiness is infectious too!

