## Nursery, Alder and Ash Classes

#### **Normal PE days:**

Alder: Friday Ash: Tuesday

#### **Forest School**

Nursery Friday AM/PM alternative – we will remind you of the correct week on Friday round ups.

Alder Tuesday Ash: Monday

Children in Ash and Alder should come into school in their correct PE kit for PE and for Forest School.

Please ensure that your child is wearing the Bierton P.E. hoodie, blue Bierton P.E. t-shirt and black leggings/joggers. We would also like to remind everyone that due to health and safety earrings need to be removed or taped for PE lessons. Unfortunately, we cannot help children to remove their earrings or put them back in. Children should only be wearing stud earrings and not hoops.

Please make sure that all items of clothing are named. Children are already losing things on the playground because items are not named.

All children should have a water bottle in school every day. We encourage the children to help themselves to their water throughout the day.

## Superstar learners

<u>Christian Values certificates</u> Well done to these children who have received a weekly certificate:

Nursery: Iris – Responsibility
Arthur B – Responsibility

Alder: Jack - Cooperation

Ash: Willow- Co-operation Karti- Love Connor- Respect

# Diary dates

18th October – Reception Flu Vaccinations School Nursing (please note that this does not apply to nursery, you will need to book this through your GP)

21st October – Parent Coffee Morning – focus Behaviour in Bierton

25th October – 2.45pm Reception Open Classrooms

### Our learning in Nursery

### Topic

We continue to focus on our topic, All About Me. The children have been working so hard learning all about healthy eating and taking care of ourselves. Why we brush our teeth, wash and eat a healthy balanced diet! We have talked about the differences in our bodies and appearance and how we should be kind to everyone. We have had a lovely term so far getting to know each other and learning all about our home lives. We will continue this topic for the last two weeks of term with The Tortoise and the Hare, celebrating our uniqe talents and All Are Welcome, thinking about inclusion and Black History Month.

### **Understanding the World**

I am a strong believer that the children should not simply be taught about the world, they should be shown it! As part of our Ugly Duckling story theme, some of our children took a walk to the local duck pond. We saw a nest, ducks, moorhen and the local Bierton well. The children discussed how the village would have used this well in the past to get water for their homes. We walked through the church grounds and talked about how old the building was and how it supports the community.

#### **Expressive Art and Design**

We have been so busy learning new skills, painting, cutting and collage. The children have been making spilt pin bodies, using lots of lovely lounguage to label the body parts. Our social and emotional curriculum, L4L (Lessons for Life) has seen us decorate our classrom with personal bunting, giving our children a sense of belonging in nursery. We have used colour mixing and new relationships combined to create a handprint collaborative piece for our classroom. All of this along with some lovely feathered ducklings....they all look a little bit different but they are all so very beautiful!

# Our learning in Nursery - photographs



#### Our learning in Reception

#### **Topic**

We have continued our topic of 'All About Me'. We have been learning how to keep our bodies healthy. We have discussed healthy eating, brushing our teeth and exercise. We have enjoyed making our own artwork inspired by Arcimboldo.

We have enjoyed the story
'The Kindest Red' and talking
about friendships. The children all

enjoyed discussing what kind of world we would all like to live in. We all agreed we'd like to live in 'a world of kindness.'

We have continued to enjoy our forest school sessions. In the forest we have been exploring the animals and how the changes of the season. The children have particularly enjoyed getting muddy and having fun splashing in the puddles!

Upcoming for the rest of the term we are looking forward to a forest school treat.

#### **Literacy**

We have been exploring books such as 'All People are Beautiful', 'The Kindest Red' and 'Healthy Me'. These books cover friendships, kindness and our identities. We have loved having Grandma Fantastic help us in literacy think of some wonderful descriptive words each week, before trying to put these into our own sentences! The children spend time each week with an adult writing in their literacy books developing their handwriting skills.

#### **Maths**

This term we have become expert subitisers! We have been able to look at a variety of pictures and resources and see and know the quantity up to 4. We have also started to introduce STEM sentences in our maths lessons, with the words 'more' and 'fewer'. The children have been able to identify which group of items has more or fewer and starting to explain why and how they know. The children have loved chanting up and down to 10 and learning the number names through song!

# Our learning in Reception - photographs













