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Newsletter October 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

What a wonderful start to our first term of the academic year here at baileys court we have had! We would like to thank you all for your support and co-operation.

A quick guide to the following celebrations we will be enjoying over the next couple of weeks.

Coughs and colds

We appreciate it is cold and flu season approaching , however we are still living in a pandemic and as such we appreciate your continued support.

Our staff no longer wear PPE whilst caring for the children and have very close contact , we would be very grateful if you could keep your child at home with any severe coughs or COVID symptoms, until it is either subsided or you have a negative PCR test result.

We are striving to stay open to provide care for **all** parents.

A reminder children requiring CALPOL and similar medicines for temperatures etc should remain at home until they are well and longer requiring medicine.

Celebrations 🎉 over the next few weeks we will encouraging all of the children opportunities to explore Autumn, with lovely nature walks around the site, scavenger hunts for leaves, sticks conkers etc, Autumnal songs and number rhymes and talking about the changes in the weather and how we can prepare for the changes for eg, gloves hats etc

W/C 18/10/21 Opt out week for some of our families- we look forward to seeing you back with us on 1st November

> **W/C 18th October** - Pumpkin fun - we will enjoy lots of fun Halloween, crafts and snacks, pumpkin carving and decorating!

> **Friday 22nd October** - Fancy Dress Day - children are invited to attend pre-school in their favourite fancy dress clothes! This does not have to be Halloween themed simply a costume of their choice! 🧚‍♀️

End of term 1 Friday 22nd October

Pre-school re opens on Monday 1st November

- **W/C 1st November** will be celebrating fireworks night (5th November) by enjoying a range of themed activities in preschool! ✨
- **W/C 9/11 November** The children will have the opportunity to learn all about Diwali and make our own Diya lamps! We will also discuss

Remembrance Sunday

. Creating poppy crafts for the children to help remember those who have and continue to serve our country! 🇬🇧

- As Autumn and the darker evenings are upon us we will also be discussing Staying Safe and Stranger Danger!
- We are going to put a lot of emphasis on this with a variety of resources and activities.

What's gone well this term;

- It has been an amazing, busy first term here at Baileys. We have thoroughly enjoyed seeing the children settle and make new friendships over the last few weeks and we are thrilled to see many of them come in excited to start the day with a smile on their face.

Parent Consultations

We are hoping to offer parent consultations next term, an opportunity to discuss and share any queries etc with your child's key worker! Please remember to review your child's Tapestry account regularly, we welcome comments with any questions or queries and your child's key worker will be able to respond, thank you

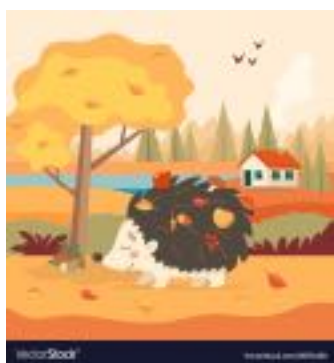
Tapestry

Many thanks for updates to your child's Tapestry account, we love to see the wonderful things you are doing at home! Thank you so much, such wonderful memories you are creating!

End of year July 2022- Due to the Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday, the academic school year will now end 1 day earlier than previously documented, our last day will be Thursday 21st July 2022!

Important Reminders -

- Please can we remind you that we **do not** allow any form of **nuts** here at Abacus due to the risk of allergies so please make sure no nuts are in your child's lunches or snack donations! Thank you
- Please ensure all food items are cut correctly, please see the updated list on Tapestry, we are unable to cut everyone's grapes, tomatoes, blueberries, sausages or items which may cause a choking hazard, are sliced into quarters and again lengthways! Thank you!
- We would also like to remind you to please name your **ALL** of your child's belongings to avoid mix ups, lost property and to make transition times to the garden etc easier!
- All belongings left at preschool will be placed outside under the shelter, please check it daily to find any items that may have been left behind by your children.
- A polite reminder please remember to bring a couple pieces of fruit per week for our snack bowl, the children really enjoy helping to prepare snack and cutting the fruits. We will soon be preparing vegetables for soup and enjoying warm toast too!



Please make sure children are dressed appropriately for the change in weather as the days turn chilly coats etc will be required at every session thank you

With continued thanks Abacus @Baileys court

