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Dear Parents and Carers,

Can you spot the Alfriston School 'Life Values' in our topic letter?

Welcome back to the Autumn 2 term! We hope you have all had a relaxing half term break! The children have come back **curious** to learn and **determined** to do their best, which is wonderful!

Morning and Afternoon Routines

We will continue to line up in the school playground in the morning. A reminder to be in the playground for the bell at 8.42am. If it is raining, please come into the school hall to wait for the bell.

Please continue to collect your child at **3.10pm** from our garden entrance. A reminder to let us or the school office know if your child is being collected by someone different.

Topic

Our topic for this term is '**Let's Celebrate!**' We have attached a topic web to share with you the main themes of our journey through this topic.

Key Skills to Support at Home

Please continue to read at home with your child as regularly as possible. The children will be heard to read each week individually by either Mrs Ottaway or Mrs Nickalls to help them gain **independent** reading skills. Reading scheme books will be changed on a Monday and Friday.

The 'Home Learning' sheet will continue to be sent home weekly with lots of **creative** ideas on how to support your child further, linked to the week's learning. We love to share in school any learning your child engages with at home.

Alfriston School: Fair, friendly, fulfilling and fun!

PE

Our PE sessions are on a Tuesday and Thursday and your child will need their PE kit in school on these days. As it is now quite chilly, please make sure your child has a tracksuit for outdoor PE sessions. PE kits will be sent home on Fridays. Please check weekly that every item in your child's PE kit belongs to them. Thank you!

Requests

Please send in materials for junk modelling including clean plastic tubs and yogurt pots, kitchen rolls, plastic bottle tops, foil containers and small cardboard boxes. The children LOVE to **collaborate** when making junk models! Thank you!

If you haven't already done so, please send in a pair of **wellington boots** for our autumn adventures. Thank you!

Show and Tell

The children will continue to have a 'Show and Tell' opportunity each week. They are organised according to their '**House Team**' as follows:

Tuesday - **Cuckmere** (**blue**): Sophia, Bow, Perla, Alfie, Noah, Red

Wednesday - **Windover** (**green**): Isla, Bay, Lucas, Raffy, Beau

Thursday - **Exceat** (**red**): Olivia, India, Harry, Joe, Rory

Visiting and Helping

You are welcome to come and see your child's Learning Journey and our learning environment any Tuesday after school or on a Friday before school at 8:30am.

If you feel able to help in the classroom on a regular basis we would be delighted to have you. Please let us know and see the office for the appropriate forms.

Finally, please do not hesitate to talk to us should you have anything you would like to discuss. We want your child to continue to have a lovely time in Reception and we are looking forward to having lots of fun again this term.

Best wishes,

Mrs Ottaway and Mrs Nickalls