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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2! 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!

Topic

Our topic for this term is '**Let's Celebrate!**'. We have attached a Curriculum Overview 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 read individually by a member of the Pearl Class team each week to help them gain **independent** reading skills. Reading scheme books will be changed once they have been read three times at home.

The 'Home Learning' sheet will continue to be sent home weekly via Google Classroom 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. Please send us an email and/or photos via the Pearl class email: pearl@alfriston.e-sussex.sch.uk

Online Learning Journey- Tapestry

This term, you will be sent your login details for 'Tapestry'. This is an online journal we use to record key moments in your child's learning. A selection of photographs, videos and notes of special moments will be shared with you, enabling you to see what your child has been learning and enjoying. Sharing Tapestry with your child offers a great opportunity for them to tell you about their day, consolidate their learning and show you how proud they are of their achievements. You can comment on pictures and also upload your own to share their progress at home too. If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to ask.

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)**: Matilda, Teddy, Yohan and Tilia

Wednesday - **Windover (green)**: Arden, Jane, Wren and Freyja

Thursday - **Exceat (red)**: Lucas, Maisie, William and Nathaniel

This term, we would love the children to share their **experiences of celebrations** during one of these sessions. This could be a birthday party, bonfire night or any other celebratory event they have enjoyed.

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PE Kits and Spare Clothes

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school every day and that every item is **clearly labelled** with their name. As it becomes chilly, please make sure your child has a tracksuit for outdoor PE sessions. PE kits will be sent home every Friday. Please also ensure your child has a spare set of labelled clothes in school...just in case! Thank you!

Requests

Towards the end of term, the children will be exploring the different ways people celebrate Christmas. **Please send in up to 5 photos of your child enjoying Christmas.** It would be great if these photos included family, food and your own traditions.

Visiting our Classroom

You are welcome to come and see your child's Learning Journey and our learning environment any Monday after school.

Finally, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us should you have anything you would like to discuss as we want your child to continue to have a happy time in Reception.

We look forward to having lots of fun again this term!

Best wishes,

Miss Foster