

# Early Years Newsletter

November 2016



We have had a very busy start to the new term. The children have been very engaged and motivated by their own ideas. They have had lots of fun exploring the forest school and refining their balancing skills on a fallen branch. They have really enjoyed following up their balancing skills in our outside area and have been making assault courses. The children were exploring seasonal pumpkins and hammering golf tees into them. Mrs Ensor then had lots of children join her baking pumpkin cakes. Monetary donations for our baking activities would be welcome.

## Understanding the World

Our new world map is looking a little bare. If you have any postcards or pictures of different places you have visited, we would love to add them to our map. This helps develop children's understanding of the world.

## Nature Area

We are still looking for natural objects for our nature area. Please bring in any sticks, leaves, conkers etc to add to this area.

## Phonic and Reading Workshop

On **Tuesday 29th November at 2:30pm**, Mrs Batchelor will be running a phonic and reading workshop in the Early Years Unit. Please feel free to come along and see how we teach the children to read and how we develop their love of stories.

## Learning from home

We would love to hear about all the fantastic things that your child does at home. Feel free to bring in some pictures so we can share them with everybody in our class and add to our 'learning from home' board. This then goes into your child's

## Junk Modelling

We always need bottle tops, yoghurt pots, toilet & kitchen rolls and interesting shaped boxes for our junk modelling area.

## Dates for your diary

Friday 11th November: Early Years cake stall. Please bring donations of nut free cakes into the office on Friday.

Week beginning 14th November: Scholastic book fair in the lower hall in school.

Tuesday 29th November: Early Years Phonics workshop at 2:30pm in EYU.

Friday 2nd December: Whole school Christmas fair at 3:15pm,—5:00pm.

Wednesday 7th December: Early Years Christmas performance at 9:30am in the lower hall.

Wednesday 14th December: Early Years Christmas party.

Thursday 15th December: Trip to the pantomime.

## Plea

If anyone would like to volunteer to help in Early Years we would be particularly keen for parents to help listen to readers, and also to share books in the reading area. We could also use some baby clothes for our babies, and any small nappies.

