

to happy place learning!

Phone (028 427 58350)

Website: www.victoriapsballyhalbert.co.uk

Term 1 Week 6 (11.10.24)

## **School Development Priorities**

Every year we look at different aspects of school life to see if any changes need to be made or if we can find new ways to do things.



This year we have identified 3 areas to work on. These are:

- 1. Working with the community
- 2. Nurturing School journey
- 3. Core subject areas of Literacy, Maths and ICT Our theme for year is "Together We Can..." and



together, we hope to work on these 3 areas to keep our school moving forward. We will be looking for your opinions and will keep you up to date of our work as the year progresses.

# **Addressing Bullying in Schools**



As we continue our Nurturing School journey, we are looking at the area of Bullying in Schools. Our children have been talking about what bullying is and

have been giving their thoughts, opinions and sharing their experiences. All staff are currently updating their training and we will be working together on a number of programmes throughout the year.

## **Eco-Team news**

The Eco team met with Mrs Atcheson this week to consider the environmental review. This is part of our Nurturing School and working with community journey.



Mrs Atcheson has been successful in her application for a live here love here small grant award. This will see some community members working alongside some of our children to further develop

our gardening and playground areas.

### **Communications**

Just a little reminder for all parents to keep an eye on the school website. You will find information on school policies and procedures there along with details of the school calendar and some updates from each class. Our Facebook page is mainly for marketing and sharing our learning journeys rather than a means of communication.

Other messages will come out to you via the school app (if the message is for everyone) or by email (if the message is for individuals). We rarely send paper communications other than confidential or personal letters.

Please be understanding that when you contact school, it is likely to take a few days for someone to respond to your enquiry. This is due to adults in school spending most of their time working with children or meeting with educational professionals. Our diaries are very busy however, we will do our best to respond to any enquiries as quickly as possible. Thank you for your patience.

#### **FLU letters**

All flu letters need to be returned by Monday at the latest. If you want the vaccine and your letter has not been returned, you will need to organise with your GP.





Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Oct – PTA Autumn Fayre
w/b 21<sup>st</sup> Oct – Parent / Teacher appointments
Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct – P7 class trip to Magellan
Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Pumpkin carving competition
Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fancy Dress Day

Halloween Disco (6pm-7pm)

w/b 28th Oct - school closed for half-term