

Noah's Ark News

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Dear parents and carers,

Online Safety

Children of all ages enjoy using technology. At Noah's Ark, we want our children to learn about the world around them and this includes the safe use of technology. It is never too early to show think about how to stay safe online. Young children may go online to play games, talk to family, watch videos and even learn to use voice enabled tech like Alexa and Siri to find out about their world.

There are lots of resources to help you navigate the world of technology with you. Childnet.com has a section dedicated to the under 5's. [Keeping under-fives safe online](#). Here are some of their suggestions about how to start a conversation about the internet. There is a more detailed list of resources on page 2.

Conversation starters.

What is your favourite thing to do on the iPad/tablet/my phone etc?

What is your favourite game/app and why do you like it?

Where do we use the iPad/tablet/games console and when can we use it?

What can you do if something online upsets you?

Who can help you with your favourite games and apps?

If a message appears on the screen, what should you do?

Who can go online? Do we know everyone online?

Primary School Applications

A reminder that the deadline for applying for primary school places is midnight on 15 January 2022. There are a number of ways to apply. Either online which is the preferred method as it's quick and easy and you also get email confirmation that your application has been received. Online applications can be made at <https://www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/primary-apply>. Alternatively you can go through the same link and download an application which can be posted. Any postal application must be received by the 15th January 2022 and any postal applications received after this date will be treated as a late application and not be allocated in the first round of offers.

Following the visit from Gemma Fricker, Head of Henleaze Infant School this week, we have some copies of their Vision Statement which you can pick up from our office.

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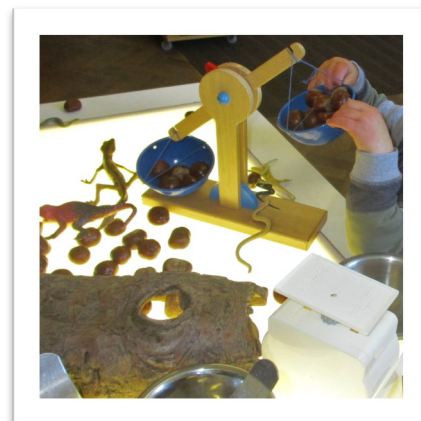
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Weighing, Sorting and Counting.

At Noah's Ark this week, the children have been enjoying weighing and sorting our large collection of conkers. We have also been sorting and counting using our new number blocks in the green garden.



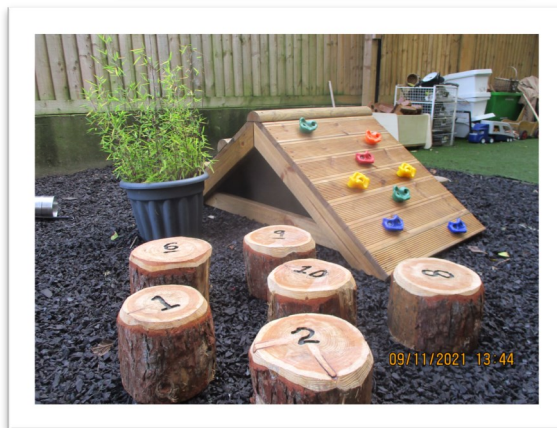
Are you having a sort out?

We have had two requests in the office this week to put out pleas for resources and wondered if anyone is able to help.

The first is to ask if anyone had an old iPad Heather could use to support children in her role as SENCo. She has access to programmes to support Speech and Language, but they are not compatible with the tablet that we have.

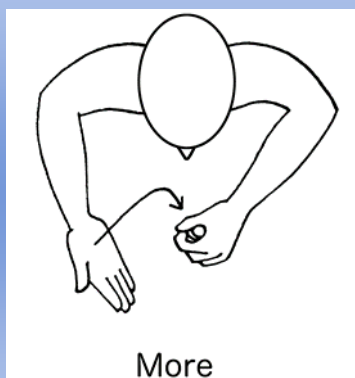
The second, more straightforward plea is for socks for our spare clothes drawer.

Please contact the office if you are able to help.



Best wishes for the weekend,

The Noah's Ark team.



Makaton sign of the week

We are all using Makaton to support Children's language and understanding. Our sign of the week is "More"

For a video showing this sign see https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eTn9Fmmpw_U

Resources to support On line Safety (UK Council for Internet Safety.)

AskAboutGames: [Supporting families with video games](#)

Internet Matters: [Guidance for parents of pre-schoolers](#)

NSPCC: [Guidance for parents on keeping children safe online](#)

Parent Zone: [Digital Parenting magazine](#)

[Parent Info](#)

Thinkuknow: [Guidance and information for parents/carers](#) from NCA-CEOP