## Classroom News



Class Name: Blaise Term: Autumn 1 2021 Topic: All About Me

## What we have been learning this term:

This term we have been helping the adults get to know us by exploring what we like and dislike using our senses. We have also been working hard on our physical targets though Physio, Movement and Rebound while learning to find our own voice using communication devices such as switches, photos, symbols and very occasionally, our own words!

Starting with our sense of smell we explored lots of strongly scented sensory items such as coffee beans and stilton cheese, we then had a go at matching smells and stating if we liked or didn't like them. If we liked them, we then explored the texture using our sense of touch.

We love music in Blaise (after all, there is a song for every occasion), so we have been learning to play and accept the feel and sound of new instruments. We have also been learning about tempo, how to play loudly and how to play quietly in Music and Music Therapy.

We have all worked so hard on communicating and moving our bodies. Every morning we self-registrate and in rebound we love directing Ginny using switches and symbols to boss her around and take a lead in our learning.

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Teacher's note: It's been a pickle of a term but you wouldn't know it to see all that the children have achieved. The staff in Blaise are all so proud of them and we can't wait to see what the year ahead has in store for their progression. We have loved every moment of getting to know our new class and seeing so many beautiful smiles as a result of so much pride and determination. Blaise class – you rock!

Some photos of us!



## Dates & Points to remember:

Term 1 ends – 22<sup>nd</sup> October
Term 2 starts –1<sup>st</sup> November
School photos – 2<sup>nd</sup> November
School Christmas lunch – 15<sup>th</sup> December
Term 2 ends – 17<sup>th</sup> December