

## Character Building Initiative All About Leadership

AssalamuAlaikum Parents,
This month, <u>Bright Horizon Academy</u> will be learning about LEADERSHIP.

Each month we focus on a character trait by exploring what it means, why it's important and how we can incorporate these traits everyday. Learning happens best when it is done both at school and at home. Below are some ways that you can help your child continue to learn about leadership.

## Why is it important?

Developing leadership skills in children is one of the most important ways to help prepare them for their future. Leadership instills confidence, and helps children solve problems in a creative manner, work in a team and work collaboratively with others. The earlier these skills are developed the more natural these skills will feel.

## **Practice It!**

Leadership involves speaking up or taking action. You can encourage children's leadership abilities by suggesting projects or identifying problems that may be important to them. Then help them come up with suggestions for actions and possible solutions. Take the time to give praise when they make the right choices and gently show them the choice they may have missed.

## Talk About It!

Here are some discussions points to help you talk about leadership with your child:

- What does it mean to be a good leader?
- · What is something that a good leader doesn't do?
- Tell me about someone that you think is a good leader. What makes him/her a good leader?
  - Do you think you are a good leader? Why or why not?
- Tell me about a time when you have been in a leadership role. How did it go?
   What did you do well? What could you have done better?