

Welcome back to Nursery.

Last half-term was very short, but the children learnt lots about people who help us. I think the dress up day was definitely a favourite day! A big thank you to all parents for the brilliant outfits.

Thank you also to the parents who attended the Watch Me Learn Maths. The children were very excited to see so many of you. I hope you found it useful. Please look out for the next date to come into our classroom!

Our theme this half term is 'What's Growing in our Garden?'



Mathematics

Our maths learning will begin with learning numbers 5 and 6.

We will also learn length and height where we will compare two objects using the vocabulary tall and short and long and short.

We will look at mass and use the vocabulary heavier and lighter. Then, we'll move on to capacity using the words full and empty.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term, the focus will be on learning how to take good care of animals and plants.

They will also talk about their achievements when growing their own plant.

Physical Development

PE lessons will continue on Wednesdays and Fridays to develop gross motor skills. Wednesday's focus is multi-skills and Friday's is music and movement. Please ensure that earrings are removed on these days.

We will continue to develop fine motor skills by using a range of tools. E.g. pencils and scissors.

Communication and Language

We will continue to learn a new nursery rhyme each week. These are the rhymes for this half-term:

Alice the Camel

Incy Wincy Spider

I'm a Little Bean

Old MacDonald

All the Little Ducks Go Upside Down

We will also keep singing the ones we've already learnt. Thank you for your support with learning these at home.

Understanding the World

We will observe growth and change through real experiences. We'll turn ourselves into gardeners and get planting! We'll also watch animals grow! During our trip and in the forest, we'll search for minibeasts.

Links throughout this half-term will be made to caring for God's creation.

Literacy

Here's some of the texts we'll explore:

Jack and the Beanstalk

The Crunching Munching

Caterpillar

Little Sunflower

The Teeny Weeny Tadpole

In phonics, we will continue with rhyme and alliteration.

Expressive Arts and Design

During weekly sessions with Mrs Cliffe, our music teacher, the children will explore sounds using voices, body percussion and instruments.

We'll get creative when colour mixing to make butterflies and creating paintings of daffodils.

RE

In RE, we'll begin our learning with Ash Wednesday. We'll make promises about how we can be helpful during Lent. We'll know that the colour purple is used in Lent. We'll talk about God our Father and Jesus his Son.

Lastly, we'll listen to stories of Holy Week.

Easter Bonnet Parade

The Easter Bonnet parade will take place on Friday 22nd March at 2.30pm. Parents are invited into the hall (maximum of 2 adults per child).

Please help your child at home to make an Easter bonnet and send it into school for them to wear during the parade.

We look forward to seeing all of your wonderful creations.



Dates to Remember

St David's Day

Children in the yellow team may come to school in their own clothes including something yellow.

Friday 1st March

Westport Lake Trip

Nursery class to visit Westport Lake.

Monday 4th March

World Book Day

World Book Day celebrations in school. Children may come to school dressed as their favourite book character if they wish.

Tuesday 5th March

Fire Service to visit Nursery and KS1

Tuesday 12th March

St Patrick's Day Celebrations

Children in the green team may come to school in their own clothes including something green.

Friday 15th March

Easter Egg Hunt

Children and their parents can take part in an Easter egg hunt around school.

Friday 15th March 3.30pm

Parents Evening

Monday 18th March

Nursery and Reception Easter Bonnet Parade

Parents are invited into the hall (maximum of 2 adults per child).

Friday 22nd March 2.30pm

Last Day

School closes for the Easter holidays on Friday 22nd March.

Homework - Thank you for the brilliant homework last half-term! It is wonderful to see all of the learning that happens at home. The children have enjoyed sharing their homework with the class.

Attendance - Remember that every school day counts as new learning happens each day. Please send your child to school if they are well enough to attend, but ensure your child remains at home for 48 hours following sickness and/or diarrhoea. There is an attendance raffle at the end of every half term where one child from each class is rewarded with a voucher.

Spare clothes - If your child goes home in our spare clothes, can you please return them to nursery. Your child should have their own spare clothes in nursery which remain on their peg until needed.

Please remember to give £1 snack money each week.

What's Coming?

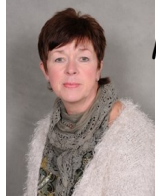
I'm trying to keep this a secret! We will be having a very exciting delivery on Monday 11th March to enhance the children's learning and give them an experience which they won't forget!



Staff



Mrs Byrne
Class Teacher



Mrs Cunningham
Early Years
Teaching
Assistant



Mrs Robinson
Early Years
Assistant



Miss Delves
Teacher

Questions or Queries?

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to a member of the nursery team. The best time is at the end of the school day, or alternatively you can contact the school office to book an appointment.