Stranraer

### Stranraer Oyster Festival

We are delighted to have been able to arrange to visit the site of Stranraer Oyster Festival on **Friday the 15**th of **September** during the morning. The children will get the opportunity to have a look round the festival site, ask questions and see some Oysters freshly harvested from Loch Ryan. The children will walk with the Nursery team to and from the Oyster festival site.

### Story Sacks

Story sacks will be available to take home from next week. These sacks contain books/games or toys which all support the stories. Sacks can be borrowed for one week at a time and are designed to be shared with an adult, providing some intimate time together. There is no 'wrong' way to use the sacks however some will contain suggested activities. Please use them to encourage your child to be imaginative, have fun and hopefully develop a love of books! These are red sacks and will be located in the Nursery Foyer, please ensure you sign them in and out to allow us to account for all sacks.

## Stay & Play

We would like to invite our families into our term 1 Stay & Play session. This will be an opportunity to spend some time with the children experiencing all their favorite places to play and explore in Nursery. Stay and Play forms will be displayed within the Nursery foyer, please pop your child's name against the session that suits you best from the following:

Monday 25th September session 1: 10am-11am session 2: 1.30pm-2.30pm

Tuesday 26th September session 1: 10am-11am session 2: 1.30pm-2.30pm

Wednesday 27th September session 1: 10am-11am session 2: 1.30pm-2.30pm

Thursday 28th September session 1: 10am-11am session 2: 1.30pm-2.30pm

We will limit numbers each session to ensure there isn't too much congestion indoors. During your Stay & Play session we would like to welcome you all to have a look over your child's Personal Learning Journey to view all the fantastic achievements they have made so far this year.

### Family Bags - Play dough



We will soon be handing out our first Family Bag of the year which is a nice way for you to engage in your child's learning whilst having fun at home. We would like to encourage you to send photos and comments around how you and your family used the bags.

### Community Walks

As of this week we will be back out and about in the community weekly in small groups. These walks are prompted by interests of the children. By going in small groups we find the children have more meaningful experiences which they can then share when they return to Nursery with their peers. Please do not worry if your child is not out on the first few walks we will keep a register to ensure ALL children get a turn.

# <u> MacMillan Coffee Morning - 29<sup>th</sup> September</u>

Sheuchan School intend to hold a coffee morning to raise funds for MacMillan Cancer the morning of Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> of September in the main school hall. Donations of home baking for this event would be very much appreciated. All are invited, so please look out for more information nearer the time. In nursery the children will create their own coffee morning which they will bake for in the lead up to Friday.

### Naming Clothing/Shoes

Can we please remind all parents to name all items of clothing particularly jumpers and cardigans? It is very hard to track down who's jumper is who's at the end of the day with no names. Those who have not yet brought welly boots or sandshoes could you do so as soon as possible please.

# Nursery Contact

Just a quick reminder, if you wish to speak to your Keyworker or Miss Douglas please request this whilst dropping off or collecting your child. We will be happy to arrange a suitable time for a chat. Could we just remind parents the Nursery WhatsApp should not be used for reporting absence, please do so by phoning the School Office.

#### Staff News

We would like to send a big congratulations to Mrs Glen and her husband who welcomed baby girl Elsie into their family on Tuesday.

We would also like to wish Miss Cairnie all the very best as she leaves Sheuchan Nursery to take up her new position at Busy Bees Nursery.

# The Nursery Team

