

Sheuchan Nursery Newsletter - January 2026

A very warm welcome back to all our families, we hope you have all had a fantastic Christmas break. The team were delighted to see all the little faces and hear about all the wonderful activities the children got up to in their holidays. We are also delighted to have our new intake of children join us this term. The children and the team alike have very much enjoyed meeting you all over the last few days and we just know we are all going to have so much fun!

Enrolments for Primary 1 and Year 2 of Nursery

We will offer an opportunity to complete the forms for both enrolments over the next few weeks at pick up and drop off times. Should you have any questions prior to enrolments please do not hesitate to get in touch.

- Year 2 of Nursery enrolments: week commencing 12th of January
- Primary 1 enrolment: week commencing 2nd of February

Toddlers

Sheuchan Toddlers will restart on Thursday the 15th of January between 9.30-11am in the main school hall. Tea and coffee will be available as well as snacks for the children for £1 per child (birth-3 years). Miss Jordan and Miss McGeachie look forward to welcoming you there.

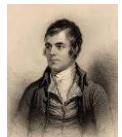
Bookbug - Family Learning

We would like to invite you to join us at our Getting to Know me Bookbug session on Friday the 16th of January. Miss Jordan will hold this in the Nursery dinner hall just after drop off at 9am. A sign up sheet can be found in the Nursery foyer. Younger siblings very welcome. (Sessions normally last around 30 minutes)

Family Fun Fridays

Fun Family Fridays are returning this term for a four week block. These will run every Friday from week commencing the 23rd of January. The sessions will begin at 9am and will be a great opportunity for you to engage with your child in a variety of themes such as cooking week, outdoor learning week, numeracy and literacy games and science.

Miss Jordan will pop out a sign up form each week, please let us know if you can attend. Please do not worry if you are not able to make all four, drop in and out as you are able.



Burns Day

Children will be served a traditional Burns Super lunch of Haggis, Neeps and Tatties at lunch time on Wednesday 28th of January for those who wish to have it. The children will also be issued with a Burn's Poem this week, please spend time with your child familiarising them with it. We will have a recital for the children on Burns Day. Children are invited to wear a piece of tartan on this day.

Scottish Celebrations – week commencing the 2nd of February



The children are also invited to join Sheuchan's annual Scottish celebrations detailed below:

Burns Poetry Competition - judging will take place during week commencing the 2nd of February should they wish to enter.

Scottish Family Homework - Children are asked to participate in the annual Scottish Family Homework Challenge if they wish. As each child has been asked to learn a Scots poem, we would like them to create a poster/picture/model that represents the theme or title of the poem. Eg. Ma Wee Hoose, they may create a model of their 'Hoose'. Entries should be handed in prior to the 2nd of February.

Ceilidh, Wednesday 4th February 6.30pm to 8pm- Primary 6 are busy organising the very popular Sheuchan Ceilidh for all the school community. They are keen that this event is well attended so please come along and support them. This event is lots of fun, all the children have been learning Scottish dances, and the ceilidh allows them to share their expertise with family and friends. Entry will be £1 per person and is payable at the door on the night. Donations of Scottish fayre eg, shortbread, tablet, pancakes would be greatly appreciated.

Open Afternoon, Friday 6th of February- there will be an open afternoon where parents will be invited in to enjoy listening to the competition winners reciting their poems and all classes including the nursery will perform a Scottish song.

Children are invited to wear a something Scottish such as a piece of tartan on Thursday and Friday of this week. Please note no football or rugby tops.

Winter Clothing

As the weather continues to be cold and changeable can we ask that all children come to Nursery with winter warmers such as hats and gloves. We spend considerable amount of time learning outdoors in all weathers so this will allow the children to remain warm at all times. Can we ask that all clothing is named. As you can imagine it is hard to keep track of all the little gloves and hats!! If your child has been sent home in Nursery clothing for any reason can we ask that you return them as soon as possible? Our 'Spares' drawer is running very low.



Toys and jewellery

Recently we have had an increased number of children arriving at Nursery with toys. As we are unable to allow children to have their own toys in Nursery it causes great upset to have to ask them to put them away in their bag. Please avoid arriving to Nursery with these items. Can we also ask that for health and safety reasons children do not wear necklaces, rings, bracelets and large earrings.

Story Sacks and Numeracy Sacks

Story sacks and Numeracy sacks will continue to be available to take home. These sacks contain books/games or toys which all support Numeracy and Literacy. 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 will be located in the Nursery Foyer, please ensure you sign them in and out to allow us to account for all sacks.

The Nursery Team