



Giffnock Primary School Nursery Class Newsletter

January-February 2017

Happy New Year and welcome back everyone!



We had a special visitor in the nursery just before Christmas and enjoyed lots of festive artwork and performing our wonderful Nativity to parents and carers.



We were extremely excited when it snowed and got straight out into it to enjoy it! Our sledges haven't had an outing yet but we are ever hopeful ☺



We are loving our new discovery area where we are investigating different materials. We are being mini explorers and scientists using magnifying glasses, microscopes and other equipment. Many of the interesting items have found their way to the playdough table and a big thank you to Mrs Brown for donating wonderful tins, dishes, pots and bowls!



Some children may already have brought home Travelling Ted for a sleepover. If not they will soon! Please enjoy playing together and writing a little entry in the diary. If you would like to tweet a photo of their adventures feel free!



Literacy

I enjoy exploring and playing with the patterns and sounds of language and can use what I learn.

LIT 0-01a

We are practising our rhyming and alliteration skills. We are talking about letter names and sounds.



Have a go at making up rhyming words and also think of words that begin with the same sound (Sammy Snake, etc). Look for letters when out and about. Can you recognise them?

Numeracy

I have explored numbers, understanding that they represent quantities, and I can use them to count, create sequences and describe order.

MNU 0-02a

We are counting forwards and backwards and looking for missing numbers in a sequence. We are talking about the number after and the number before.



Practise counting in a variety of situations (for example when going up or downstairs) Count backwards as if a rocket is going to take off!

Health&Wellbeing

I explore and discover where foods come from as I choose, prepare and taste different foods.

HWB 0-35a

We are sampling various festival related foods and having tasting sessions (Burns Night, Chinese New Year, Pancake Day!)



If you are celebrating any festivals talk about the food traditionally eaten at that time and have a go at tasting it (or even cooking it if you feel adventurous!)

Key Information & Diary Dates



Planning - Our new plan is on the wall. Please feel to ask about it or add comments on the post-its provided.

Dates for your Diary:

Friday 3rd February 2017- PM class assembly 2.30pm.

Thursday 9th February - Thursday 30th March 2017-Forest visits resume for preschool children.

PLEASE NOTE the change of forest day for PM children.

Thursday 9th February school/nursery closes at the usual time.

Friday 10th February In-Service Day for staff

Thursday 16th February 2017 School reopens

Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th March-Parent interviews (online booking system applies)

Communication

You can look at our Big Books in the cloakroom area to see what we've been up to.

Don't forget to keep up to date with our nursery **Twitter** page which has lots of useful tips and information. We now have 257 followers! You don't have to follow us to view it but it would be great if you did ☺ <https://twitter.com/GiffnockNursery>

Mrs Brown & The Nursery Staff



Parent/ Child's Name: _____

Parental Feedback:

Child's comments: