



Nursery January Newsletter

Welcome to our January newsletter where we aim to keep you informed about the life and work of the Nursery.

There is lots of important information included in this newsletter so we please ask that you take a few minutes to read through carefully.

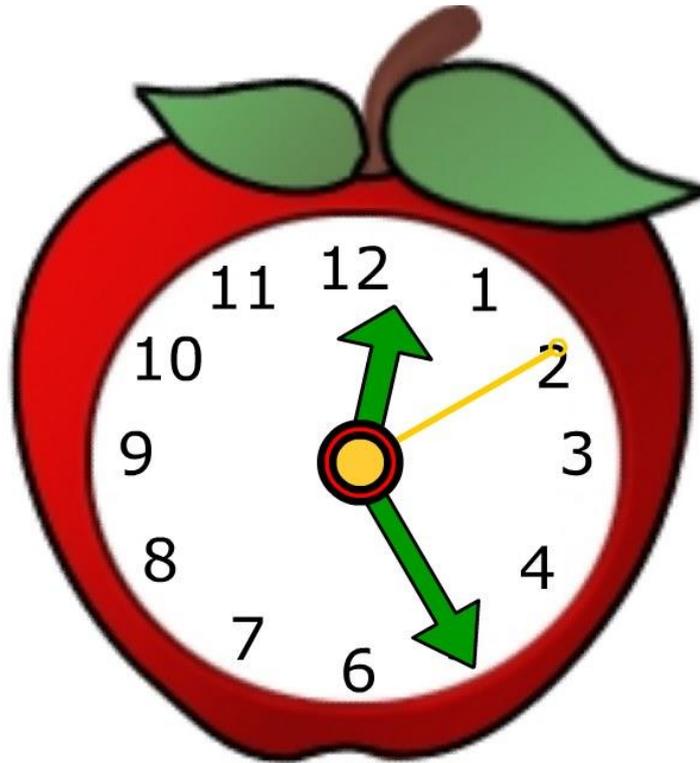
Here to help - Please do not hesitate to contact myself or Lisa Mullin, Team Leader by email or telephone, if you have any questions or concerns about your child. We are always here to help and support you.

Kind regards,

Louise Weir

Depute Head Teacher

Nursery Sessions



Please see the below timings for our AM and PM sessions.

Full Day session: **8.40am - 3.40pm**

Morning Session: **8.35am - 11.45am**

Afternoon Session: **12.30pm - 3.40pm**

Please ensure you are prompt with pick ups at the end of your child's session.

Again, we kindly ask that if you are collecting children from school at 3pm that you do so before coming to pick up your child from nursery. This ensures that each child is getting the most of their session and minimises the period of disruption for pick-ups.

Staffing Update



Ms Gracie - I would like to share with you that Ms Gracie has chosen to take early retirement. As we say goodbye to Ms Gracie, we thank her for all her hard work, commitment and care for our mini marvels over the years she has worked at Mossspark. We know our families will join us in wishing Ms Gracie all the very best for the future.

New Staff - We welcome Ms Sarita Bhusal and Ms Rachael Murray who are covering our 2 Child Development Officers (CDO) vacancies. Both Ms Bhusal and Ms Murray look forward to continuing getting to know our children and families in the coming weeks and months.

Students - We have 3 students currently working within the nursery. Ms Layla Saleem, Ms Roxanna Slicu, Ms Debbie Dorian. Our students are being supported in developing their knowledge and skills by our staff team.

Reminder of Groups and Key Workers.

Orange Group - Ms Bhusal

Green Group - Ms Murray

Blue Group - Ms Grattan

Yellow Group - Ms Forbes

Red Group - Ms Shannon

Transition



In the coming weeks and months our pre-schooler's will be taking part in transition events. This will include visits to the P1 classrooms, gym hall and dinner hall. The school will be holding transition information events for parents/carers and information will be shared as this is available.

Below is an infographic that can help you prepare your Mini-Marvel for starting P1 in August. A paper copy has already been shared with families.

If your child is starting P1 in August 2026 and you have any questions or concerns about transitions, please speak with Ms Mullin or Mrs Weir - we are always here to help.



Our Learning



Our learning this term is based around 'Stories, Songs and Rhymes'. We will be tying this in with learning about Scotland and Scots language.

As well as exploring stories, rhymes and songs, the children have been sharing their interests in money and paying for things in shops and cafe's. They are enjoying being creative, especially with empty boxes.

Our **book** of the month - **There was a wee Lassie who swallowed a Midgie**

Our **rhyme** of the month - **You Canny Shove your Granny off a bus.**

Please see our learning wall in the nursery foyer for further information about our learning plans.

Parent/Carer Questionnaire



We are interested in your views.

We would very much appreciate you taking the time to complete our short parent/carers questionnaire to help us to continue to improve our nursery.

Parent/Carer Questionnaire¹

Reminders



Spare clothes - Can you please provide a change of clothes for your child including socks. We have bags on pegs to store these and it is always useful to have a change of warm, dry clothes handy. We have some spare clothes in the nursery but if a child needs changed it is always more comforting if they have their own clothes.

¹<https://forms.office.com/e/R2QNh3dZsT>

Illness - if your child is unwell please call the nursery to notify of absence. If your child is sick and/or has diarrhoea then they must remain off for a period of 48-hours after the last symptom. This is to protect children and adults against the spread of disease.

Seesaw



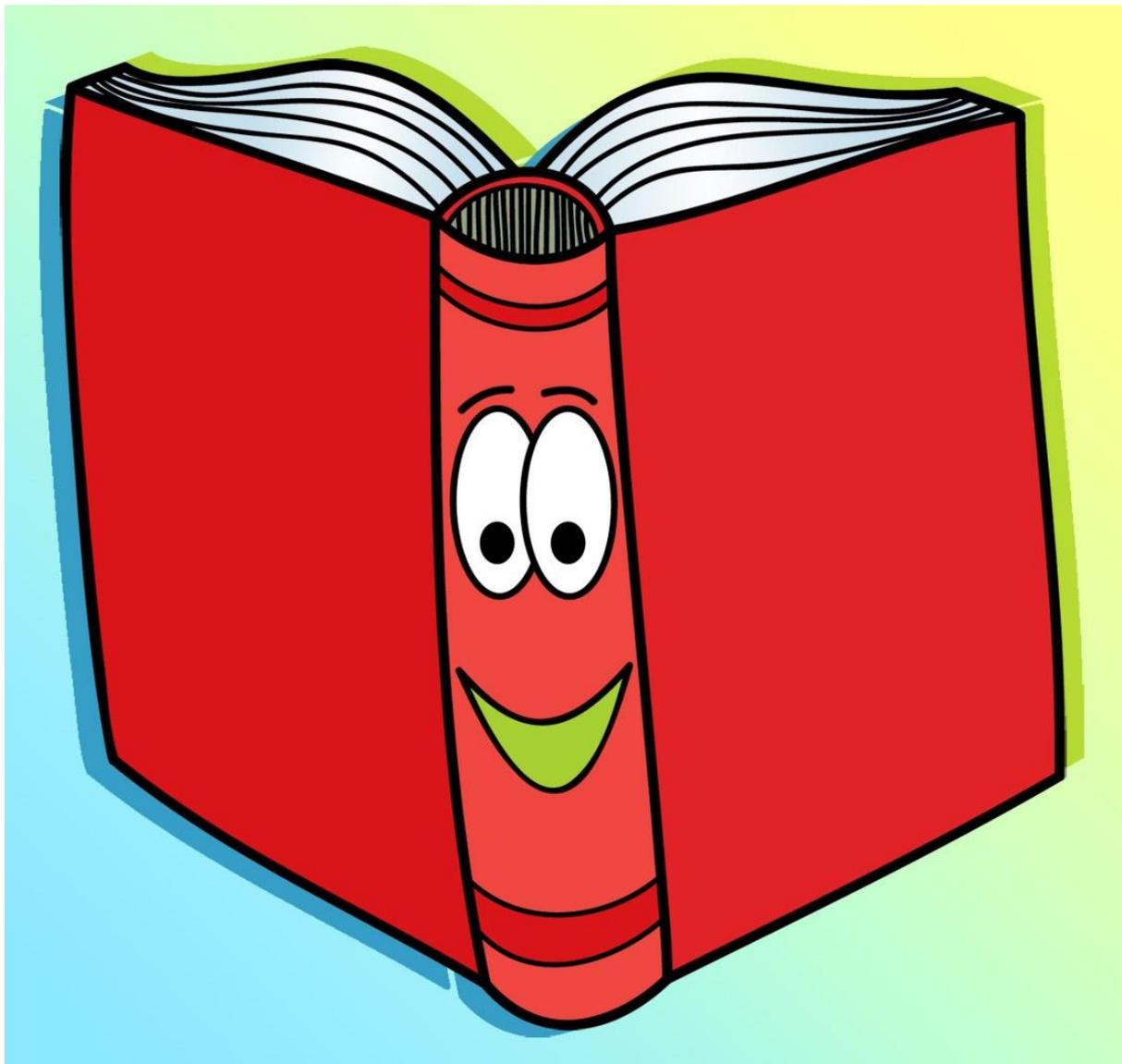
Seesaw

We share lots of our fantastic nursery experiences and children's voice on Seesaw so please check your Mini-Marvels page each week.

We encourage you to like posts and add comments about our nursery learning or any learning/experiences you have at home.

If you are having any problems accessing Seesaw please speak to any member of the Nursery Team who will be able to assist you.

Book Bags



Children will bring a book home from our lending library on a Thursday, Please could you return the book inside the book bag on a Monday. We ask that you return the bag to ensure that we can protect the books and continue our lending library.

Indoor Shoes and Spare Socks



Please remember to change your child's shoes when they come in to the Nursery and when they leave the Nursery. Please remember to place their indoor shoes within the bags provided. This helps us to keep your child's shoes in a place where they can be easily found/accessed.

With the cold, wet weather please ensure you have provided a spare pair of socks for your child in the bag on their peg.

Parent Council



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You can find the parent council on Twitter— 'Mossspark Primary Parent Council-@MossparkC' - and they always welcome new members.

Our recent meeting minutes have been distributed to families on Seesaw.

If you would like to join our next parent council meeting, please email our parent council secretary - gw10mchargnorma@glow.sch.uk²

²<mailto:gw10mchargnorma@glow.sch.uk>

Nursery Holidays and In-Service Days 2025/2026

School Holidays and In-Service Days 2025/2026

August 2025 Return to School

Staff Tuesday 12th August – Wednesday 13th August 2025
(In-service 1 & 2)



Children **Thursday 14th August 2025**

September Weekend Friday 26th and Monday 29th September 2025

In-service Day 3 Friday 10th October 2025

First Mid-Term (October Week) Monday 13th to Friday 17th October 2025 (incl.)



***Please note schools will close at 2:30pm on Friday 19th December 2025**

Christmas/New Year Monday 22nd December 2025 to
Friday 2nd January 2026 inclusive



2026 Return to School Monday 5th January 2026

Second Mid-Term Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th February 2026
In-service Day 4 Wednesday 18th February 2026

***Please note schools will close at 2:30pm on Thursday 2nd April 2026**

Spring Break/
Easter Monday 6th April to Friday 17th April 2026 incl.



***School returns on Monday 20th April 2026**

May Day Monday 4th May 2026

In-service Day 5 Thursday 7th May 2026 (*subject to change*)

May Weekend Friday 22nd May & Monday 25th May 2026

School closes Thursday 25th June 2026 @ 1pm

