

### September 2022

September weekend: Friday 23 September to Monday 26 September 2022 (inclusive) – **nursery closed**

### October 2022

October week: Monday 17 to Friday 21 October 2022 (inclusive)

**Full time children attend**

### November 2022

In-service day: Monday 14 November 2022 **nursery closed**

### December 2022 - January 2023

Schools close: Thursday 22 December 2022 at 2.30pm **Full time children attend**

Christmas and New Year holidays: Friday 23 December 2022 to Friday 6 January 2023 (inclusive) **Nursery Closed**

Schools return: Monday 9 January 2023

### February 2023

Mid-term break: Monday 13 February 2023 and Tuesday 14 February 2023

In-service day: Wednesday 15 February 2023

### April 2023

Schools close: Friday 31 March 2023 at 2.30pm

Spring holiday (Easter): Monday 3 April to Friday 14 April (inclusive) **Term Time only**

- Good Friday: 7 April 2023 – **Nursery Closed**
- Easter Monday: 10 April 2023 – **Nursery Closed**

Schools return: Monday 17 April 2023

### May 2023

May holiday: Monday 1 May 2023 **Nursery Closed**

In-service day: Tuesday 2 May 2023 **Nursery Closed**

May weekend: Friday 26 May 2023 to Monday 29 May 2023 (inclusive) **Nursery Closed**

**June 2023** - Schools close: Wednesday 28 June 2023 at 1pm  
Term Time only

**July 2023** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023 **Nursery Closed**



**Working in Partnership - Together**

**Welcome to Sacred Heart &  
Orbiston Nursery Class  
Newsletter  
August 2022**

**01698 274903 – Sacred Heart & Orbiston Nursery**

**Class – Sacred Heart Primary**

**Twitter feed @OrbSHnurses.**

**Please join us on Twitter to see daily photos of the children's play and learning and of course to share what's going on at home.**



#### Staff Car Park

Can we please remind all our friends and families that the car park should not be used for drop off and pick up. This is a staff only carpark, moving vehicles at drop off and pick up times put our children in significant danger. Thank you.



#### Covid Recovery Plan - Lending library

Great news, we will have our home lending library up and running very soon, we'll invite you in to pick a book at the end of the session, take it home for a week to share with the family. We hope to have a wide selection of adult, older and younger children's books.

Story time Coming soon! – story time sessions – small group reading sessions for you and your child.



#### Nursery Fund

Our nursery fund is £2.50 per week. Staff will be at the door at the start and end of the day with the donation pot. Please continue to support this fund which helps us to respond to the needs of the children with additional resources and celebrations.



#### What should be in a nursery child's bag?

##### **1/2 full changes of clothing – maybe a couple of sets of underwear and socks**

Suncream - Can we ask you to provide a small sun cream – factor 50 is ideal which will remain in nursery. Please hand this to any staff member who will log the lotion – NLC is a nut free zone so please avoid Nivea cream that may contain nuts. Please do not leave sun cream, medicine, toys, drinks or other items in the bags.



#### **Welcome Back!**

We're just delighted to have a full busy nursery. The children have settled well with returning children taking on very responsible roles across the nursery; happy helpers supporting new starts, lunch, litter and garden helpers.

#### **Collecting Children**

A wee reminder – please let us know if you aren't collecting your child, give us a phone or let staff at the door know. We use a password system which changes regularly to protect our children.

#### **Groups and Key Staff**

All children were given a slip with details of their key worker, group and the door they should use. Please note during the session 9.10am – 2.15pm only Door 1 – Sunshine Room should be used.

## Lots of learning

***Behind the scenes there's so much going on!***



As we settle back into nursery life the keyworkers will be reviewing returning children's targets and observing new children to see just where they are in their learning journey. Staff will have a chat with you at the door to discuss these targets however we will have some time during stay and play sessions to go into more details.

## Learning Journals



All children have an individual learning journal which is used to capture their interests, next steps and challenge their play and learning. These journals will also be available at the stay and play. We have just introduced room floor books to capture the children's voices, we will chat with them about our use of space, resources and how they learn through play. We hope these books become a great asset, guiding us to follow the learning lead of the child.

## Learning stories

Our team will have a period of observing the children across the nursery focussing on 1 child per group each week. The information gathered is shared with you through the learning stories and you are invited to offer feedback and learning from home. We hope to have the next batch of learning stories out mid-September, however if you have any concerns please just chat with staff or arrange a catch up with



Angela or Sharon.

## Covid Recovery Plan – Stay and play sessions

*Last year's Stay and Play Garden sessions were a great success, this year as we slowly move out of restrictions, we are delighted to extend this to welcoming family members indoors. You will be given return slips to choose your date and time before September weekend with the first week of visits planned for after the break.*

### Some staffing news

***We are delighted to welcome Sean McIlroy, support worker who will be supporting across the nursery.***

## Group names and keyworkers



### Sunshine room – Ramp door

Sharon Scullion – Principal Lead  
Gail Johnston – Lead - Sunflower's  
Lesley McLeod – Caterpillar's  
Emma McCormack – Snowdrop's



### Rainbow Room – far door

Angela Baker – Principal Lead  
Linda Cassidy – Bumble Bee's  
Alana Cockburn – Buttercup's  
Jacqui Wilkie – Daffodil's  
Louise Grey – Ladybird's

Rose Quigley – ELCP  
Lynne Jenkins – ELCP  
Megan Lafferty – ELCP

Sean McIlroy – Support Assistant

Jan Dornan – Support worker  
Dawn Cavin – Support worker  
Caitlin McMullen – Support assistant  
Vicky McLennan – Catering  
**Equity & Excellence Lead – Janette McLaughlin**



We're delighted to invite all our families to this event. Our first indoor family event where we can get to know each other and support a very good cause.

We will have 2 sessions available –

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 1.30pm**

Please come along with a cake or a biscuit – make it or fake it and if you have a spare few coins we can donate this to Macmillan cancer support.

We will have some fun and games, a laugh and let's hope no tears, just let any staff member know if your able to come along.

**WORLD'S BIGGEST  
COFFEE MORNING**

