

Peanut Allergy!

It is very important that you do not allow your child to bring in any food to the nursery.



Safety

Could we remind all parents/carers to pay particular attention when opening and closing the door. Please help to ensure the safety of all children by allowing only those directly in your care to leave and always close the door firmly behind you by lifting the handle to ensure it is locked. **Please ensure that gates leaving the nursery and school grounds are closed to ensure the safety of both Nursery and School children.**

If you are in the cloakroom and the doorbell rings please alert a member of staff. **Please do not allow the children to open or close the gate.**

Child unwell

Can we please remind all parents to keep their children off nursery when unwell. This is hugely important for infection control as I'm sure you will all understand colds/bugs spread very quickly between all the children which can then pass onto staff. If you have any questions regarding length of time your child should remain off nursery with an illness please do not hesitate to phone the nursery for advice but there is also a large information sheet in the hall with exclusion/incubation times for a range of illnesses.

Nursery session times

Can we please advise all parents that the nursery session times are as follows.

Morning session - 8.40 - 11.50

Afternoon session - 1.00 - 4.10

If you find yourself running late can you please phone to let the staff know on 01236 794828

Topic

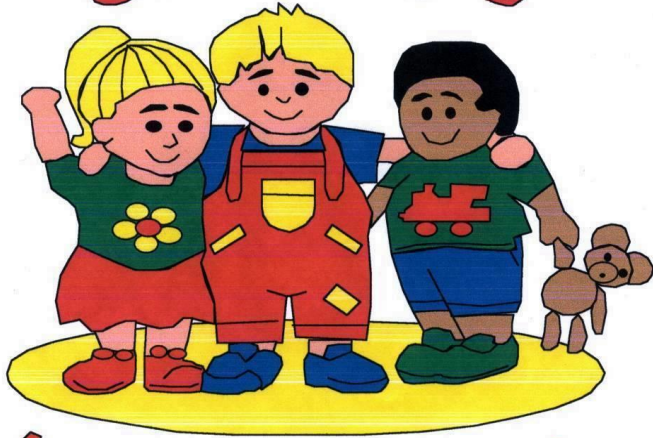
This month our learning focuses will be on Pets and Halloween

Nursery Fund

Your £2.50 weekly snack money is very much appreciated and is vitally important to the service we provide for your children. This allows us to provide healthy snacks for the children, provide new resources and to give them a gift at birthdays and Christmas time. Without your donations we would have to provide a limited snack and also the children would not receive a gift at Christmas Please remember to put your money in the yellow envelopes provided and place them in the box.

October Newsletter 2018

St. Mary's



Nursery Class

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We would like to remind parents that children should not open the nursery gate under any circumstances. The hinge on the gate allows it to move both ways which has resulted in head injuries in the past Staff have noticed that some children are being allowed to open the gate on a regular basis and we would ask parents to explain to their children the reasons why they should not touch it as it is for their safety.

Stay and Play/workshop Sessions

On Wednesday 10th we will be holding our first stay and play day. This will be session where parents/carers can spend some time in the nursery with their child. The morning workshop will start at 9.30am and finish at 10.00am, you are then welcome to spend some time in nursery with your child (this play session will end at 11am). The afternoon will start at 1.30pm and finish at 2.00pm (this play session will end at 3pm).

Children should attend nursery at the normal times.

Halloween Party

We will be holding our Halloween parties on Wednesday 31st October. We will have party games and prizes on this day. The children can dress up in a costume but we would ask parents to consider that not all children like masks so costumes that are not scary would be best. All children should attend their normal sessions. The party contribution list will be placed in the hall nearer the date, we would be very grateful if you could help.

Learning Journals

Most parents will be aware that we are using online learning journals within the nursery. All Parents should have received login details for this resource. If you have not received any emails about this you can speak to a member of staff who will be happy to reset the password for you. We use the learning journals to track the children's progress. It also allows parents to see what their child has been learning in the nursery. It allows comments to be added from parents also. We would ask parents to use this resource to facilitate discussions with their child about the learning taking place in the nursery. It may remind the children what they were doing as we know some children say that they do nothing in nursery all day long 😊.

Book of the month

Our book of the month will be - Have you got my purr? If you have this book at home we would encourage parents to continue reading the story and talking about the different characters and what happens in the story. If you do not have a copy and wish to read this book to your child the local library should have a copy to borrow.

Song of the month - 3 Little pumpkins.



3 little pumpkins lying very still on a pumpkin patch on a great big hill.
First one said "I'm very very green but I'll be orange for Halloween."
The second one said "oh me oh my, today I'll be a pumpkin pie."
The third one said "I'm on my way to be a Jack 'O Lantern Hooray."
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Change of Shoes

Can we ask all parents to bring a change of shoes for their child each day. This is really important as the Winter approaches that the children are now wearing wellies /Winter boots but these do not allow the children to play safely within the nursery. In addition we use the school gym hall on a regular basis and boots or wellies are not safe for the children to run about in. Trainers with Velcro are the best for indoor shoes as the children can become independent at changing their shoes when arriving and leaving nursery.

We also use our outdoor area on a daily basis and will be planning lots of Autumn walks etc so all children will need winter jackets, scarves, hats and gloves.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 9th October - Ladybird Parent appointments with Mrs Waddell

Wednesday 10th October - Dolphin parent appointments with Mrs Pate/Miss Hunter

Thursday 11th October - Frog parent appointments with Mrs Neilson

Thursday 11th October (evening) Mrs Harley will be available to see parents who cannot attend during the day to see their child's Keyworker.

Appointment sheets will be available in the hall the week prior to appointments.

Wednesday 10th October - Stay and Play Sessions

October holidays - Monday 15th to Friday 19th, nursery will reopen

Monday 22nd as normal

Wednesday 31st October - Halloween Party

**We would like to wish the following children a Happy Birthday in October
Cara and Casey Lawson and Lucas Menzies**

**Thank you for your continued support in the future,
Mrs Clare Louise Harley (Nursery Teacher)
And all the Nursery Staff**