

St Mary's Nursery Class

March / April 2021

Newsletter

Hello

Hi everyone.

It is lovely to have all our children return after lockdown, they have done so well and it's nice to see their wee smiling faces again. A warm welcome to all of our new children and families.

Stay safe and well

Take care from

All the nursery ladies



Dates for your Diary

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Thurs 1st April

Nursery closes at 2.30pm

Mon 3rd May

Holiday

Thurs 6th May

In Service Day

Clothing

Could we please ask you to ensure that your children are dressed appropriately for the weather, we are very limited in supplies of waterproofs. The children have to be outdoors for a good part of the nursery day as part of the Scottish Government and care inspectorate initiatives. Could we ask that any shoes provided encourage your child/ren to be independent.

Support

The nursery ladies are available if you require any support. We can be contacted by phone, email and at the gate if you would like to chat, ask questions or need advice. We will try our best to support you at this challenging time.

Sessions

A polite request, could we please ask that you adhere to the session times 8.50am to 2.50pm, unless staff are aware that you collect out with these times. When parents/carers arrive at the gates unexpectedly out with session times it can cause disruption to the children who are already engaged in play within the playroom. Staff are having to leave learning experiences to come to the gate, which is disrupting children's learning. Children should be collected no later than 2.50pm. If you require to collect or drop off your child outside these times could you please let staff know by phoning or at the gate. Thank you.



Easter



Before the Easter holidays the children will be involved in some Easter themed activities and on the last day we will have some fun games and a special snack.

Sharing Learning

Please share through teams or the learning journals anything that your child/ren have been learning at home so that we can share their experiences with their peers.

Pre School Transitions

Letters and emails should have been received from your child's school to let you know transition arrangements. If you have not received these please contact the schools directly that your child will be attending in August.



Facemasks

Can we ask unless you are exempt could you please wear a facemask in the school grounds this is to keep children, staff and other parents safe. Also if you could please follow white arrows round to the nursery as school bubbles can be in the vicinity.

Donations

We are looking for donations for our nursery garden to encourage the children to notice signs of Spring and to take care of it. We are looking for any donations of the following: **Seeds, Grass seed, Flowers, Bulbs, Garden tools & Soil**

Tigers and Frogs

The children in these groups have been enjoying learning about people who help us in particular doctors and nurses. They have been pretend playing through dressing up, looking after the dolls and peers who are sick, watching videos and looking at books about people who help us.

They have also been participating in sensory play making playdough with different smells, playing with shaving foam and sensory books and toys. They have also been learning about their families through discussions about who cares for you and finding out not everyone has the same type of family as them.

Outdoors they have been learning about up and down whilst they observe their environment. They are enjoying sensory play outdoors too through digging in the soil, water play and exploring bubbles.

Ladybirds and Dolphins

The children in these groups are really enjoying sensory play, they have been exploring water play with bubbles and pom poms. They have explored playdough with different smells and colours. The children have also been enjoying playing with transport and making garages or ramps from the blocks.

Outdoors they have been enjoying playing with the scooters and cars. A few of the children particularly like exploring the mud kitchen where we have been invited to try apple pies and soup. Some children liked making a little den from the tarpaulin and crates.

Mobile Numbers/ Email

If you are not receiving any of our text messages or emails please call the school office to check or update your mobile or email address. We only send out the newsletter by email now and would not like for you not to receive it. You can also check the school website for information too. Thanks

Peanut Allergy



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

Contact Details



Office telephone number 01236 794828

Enquires email address is:

enquiries@st-marys-cumbernauld.n-lanark.sch.uk

Snack/Activity

Can you please remember that we have a snack/activity fund this helps us to buy resources for the children and snack foods. A suggested donation of £2.50 a week would be gratefully received.

Change of Clothes

Could we ask that you provide your children with a change of clothes for the nursery due to toileting accidents, playing outdoors and messy play indoors. Can we also ask you to return any borrowed nursery clothes as we are limited in supplies.



Birthdays

We would like to wish the following children a Happy Birthday in March.

Georgie, Alyssa & Jacob



REMINDERS

Absence - Please remember if your child is absent from nursery to call the office on the first day.

Sickness/Tummy Bugs – Children should not return until 48hours clear due to passing on the infection.

New Contact Details – If you have changed any contact details – Address/home/ mobile number or email, please pass this onto the nursery staff or the school office. It is very important that we have up to date information in case of an emergency.