St Mary's Nursery Class

November 2022

Newsletter

Hello

Hi everyone,

We would like to thank all the parents/carers who donated food, drinks, prizes and food for our Halloween party it was greatly appreciated. We would like to welcome the new children and families to the nursery.



Dates for your Diary

Mon 7th Nov Parents meetings

Mon 14th Nov Inservice Day

Thurs 24th Nov Stay & Play session 10am

Wed 30th Nov Scottish Snack

Tues 13th Dec Magican

Wed 21st Dec Christmas Party (details to follow)

Meet The Groups

Ladybirds keyworkers Mrs Waddell Wed-Fri Leon, Leja, Sean, Lucia, Maisie, Caleb Dolphins keyworkers Mrs Pate Mon-Wed & Miss Hunter Wed-Fri Ronan, Charlie-James, Aylie, Rhylie, Aria K, Caelyn, Minnie

Frogs keyworker Mrs Neilson Mon-Wed Matthew, Kailah, Ava-Rose, Joshua, Aria W Butterflies Keyworker Rosemary Coyle Mon-Fri Sonny, Robyn, River, Niamh Support Worker –Mrs Mitchell and Mrs McKendry Mon-Fri work with all the groups.

Fund Raising

Could we ask that the sponsored bounce forms and any monies collected be handed into the nursery as soon as possible. Thank you. For Christmas we are going to have keyrings and magnets for sale containing your child's photographs to order (more details to follow).

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.



We are having a stay and play session on the 24th of November from 10am for 30mins (not rigid). We will have another one in February 2023. Please come along to see the children in their play.

Social Media

On Twitter please like and follow St Mary's Primary & Nursery@StMarysSeafar

Sessions

A polite request, could we please ask that you adhere to the session times 8.50 to 2.50, 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 and their learning within the playroom. 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 in the morning.

Learning in the nursery

The children have all had the opportunity to go on an autumn walk out with the nursery they collected some leaves and discussed the changing colours and weather. Most children have been involved in autumn learning experiences painting their own trees using hands and finger painting. They have been painting using autumn colours on the easel. In the tuff tray the children have been exploring autumn objects gathered on their walk for example, leaves, conkers, seeds, branches and bark. A few children made playdough and were learning to share and turn take with the ingredients and resources. Outdoors the children have been very interested in making lentil soup and mud pies in the mud kitchen. They have also enjoyed digging in the mud and being covered in it. Most children have become interested in Halloween now and have been exploring pumpkins, making their own pumpkins from playdough, decorating the pumpkins with stickers and gluing paper to them. On the smartboard a few children have been accessing the games from CBeebies website, listening to stories on BBC Iplayer from Julia Donaldson. The children have also had the opportunity to go to the school gym hall to play ring games and participate in physical movement

Weather appropriate clothing

If you could please make sure your child/children are dressed for the weather when coming to nursery. New government policy says that children should be out in all weathers every day. Therefore on

<u>Rainy days</u> they should wear waterproofs (please make sure they say that they are waterproof) and have wellingtons on.

<u>Snow days</u> they should wear warm clothes, hats, gloves, scarves, wellingtons or snow boots, waterproofs or snow suits.

As the weather is changing we also ask if you could look at the weather forcast before coming into nursery.

Nursery fund

We would like to thank parents who have contributed to the nursery fund (yellow envelopes) and appreciate your continued support. These funds are important in enabling us to provide the children with snacks twice daily such as crackers, bread, butter, meat etc as well as enabling us to buy the children a Birthday and Christmas presents and replenish resources. This is a suggested donation of £2.50. This is a suggested donation of £2.50. Please ask staff for an envelope if you require one.

Safety

Can we please ask all parents to remember to close the gate when entering or leaving the nursery. If the children are outside with a member of staff when you come to collect your child can we ask that you do not open the gate as we need to keep all the children safe who are outdoors. A member of staff will bring your child to you.

Questionaires

This is a gentle reminder to return any questionaires to the nursery as we have only had 3 returned. These help us to evaluate what we provide in the nursery to your child/ren and yourselves.

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-at-st-marys-cumbernauld@northlan.org.uk

Change of Clothes

Could we ask all parents to please provide a couple of changes of clothing in your child's bag. The nursery has a very limited supply of clothing as they do not always get returned. Suggested items are pants, socks, trousers and a top. We are looking for any donations of trousers, t-shirts, socks and pants (these would have to be new). Ages 2-3, 3-4 and 4-5 please.

Parents Meetings

We will be having our parents meetings on the week beginning the 7th of November. Please see staff to pick a time that suits. These will be held in the schools cook room next to the nursery.

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Monday} & \mbox{7th Nov} & \mbox{Rosemary Coyle} \\ \mbox{Tuesday} & \mbox{8th Nov} & \mbox{Mrs Neilson} \end{array}$

Wednesday 9th Nov Mrs Pate and Miss Hunter

Thursday 10th Nov Mrs Waddell



We would like to wish the following child a Happy Birthday in November

Caleb

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.