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Theme of the Month Responsible Citizens

We will be learning about the attributes of respect for others and having a commitment to participate responsibly in social and cultural life.







Our Learning

**Chinese New Year** – Gong Xi Fa Cai (Mandarin) and Gong Hey Fat Choy (Cantonese).This is on 16th February and this year is the year of the Dog. The children will sample some Chinese food and look at Chinese traditions.

**Pancake Day –**The children will take part in fun Pancake Races

**Forest Kindergarten** – This will now take place on the 15th February. Mrs O’Hear will confirm which children will be attending on that date. The children will require to wear warm clothing and wellington boots. Could they also bring a snack with them in a small bag that they can carry themselves.

**Planting**- The children are going to start planting some spring bulbs and herbs indoors which will later be transplanted outdoors. This gives them the opportunity to care for the plants and also monitor their growth.

**Weather Station-** The children will help to build a weather station to measure the temperature and the rainfall. This is to evaluate environmental, scientific and technical issues. We have also introduced a daily weather chart in nursery.

**Class Dojo-** We have introduced a Class Dojo into nursery. The children have the opportunity to gain points in areas such as good thinking and good listening. This is to help the children to be enthusiastic and motivated about their learning.

Twinned Nursery

We have contacted Le Marches Kindergarten in France in regards to forming a partnership with our nursery. We would be hopeful of speaking to the French children via Skype. Our children will be able to learn some French language to interact with the kindergarten children and learn about French culture.

Scottish Water

We have been in contact with Scottish Water who will be sending a representative to the nursery to talk to the children about maintaining the water cycle appropriately and how to conserve water. They will be showing the children some short videos which are age appropriate. This forms part of our topic on looking after the environment.

Wormery

Some of the children have started a small Wormery. This consists of a plastic box filled with soil and various other nutrients. As soon as the soil outdoors is slightly warmer we will add worms to the soil and the children will be able to observe them through the clear plastic. They can use magnifying glasses to look closely at the body of the worms and how they move.



Nursery Outing

Due to the inclement weather, the trips to Summerlee had to be postponed.

These will now take part on Tuesday 20th February (Afternoon grapes). Wednesday 21st (Both groups, blueberries). Friday 23rd (Both groups, cherries). Staff will remind parents of these dates nearer the time. If you are interested in being a parent helper, please speak to a member of staff.

Group times

Can we remind you that an important part of the session is group time and plays a key part in your child’s learning therefore can we please ask that you take note of the sessions times below to make sure they don’t miss out:

Morning session- 8:40am – 11:50am

Afternoon session – 1pm – 16:10pm

Please note that the session end times are the times that ALL children need to have left the building.

Childsmile

The Childsmile team will visit nursery on the 22nd February for fluoride varnishing. This children brush their teeth daily in nursery and each child has their own animal themed toothbrush. This aids a sense of physical well-being.

Diary Dates

The nursery will be closed on the following days in February:

Monday 12th February – Wednesday 14th February inclusive.

ALL children should return to nursery on Thursday 15Th February.

New Direct Phone Number



There is a new landline number for St Kevins Primary. This is 01236 632146. The nursery are in the process of having its own direct landline number connected. In the meantime please contact us using the nursery mobile 07793599093.

Door Policy

In the interests of child safety, can we remind you that you do not open the outer door to parents, even if you know them. Staff are responsible for opening the door at all times.



Glow

Can we please remind you about the Glow Blog. The staff have recently posted photos of the children celebrating Burns Night and the Fun Day. The Glow link is posted at the top of this newsletter.