

# St. Lucy's Nursery Newsletter

## October 2019



### Welcome to Autumn!

Summer seems to be becoming a distant memory and Autumn is now suddenly upon us! We are looking forward to this season and all of the wonderful opportunities for learning that it brings with it! We would also like to welcome our new students Miss Mann (Mondays and Tuesdays) and Sarah (Wednesday and Friday afternoons) who are looking forward to working with our children.

### Personal Items

Can we please request that all items are clearly marked with your child's name in order to prevent misplacing and losing belongings. We do our best to ensure the safe-keeping of personal items but it can be difficult when children have similar or identical clothing/shoes, and we understand your frustration when items are lost.

### Focus for Learning

Our Focus for Learning over the coming weeks is 'Our Sky and Beyond!'. With this in mind we will be focusing on a variety of Science experiences.

**This month's SHANARRI focus is - INCLUDED**

*"I feel accepted and part of the community in which I live and learn."*

### Outdoor Learning

We pride ourselves on being an all weather nursery, and actively seek to encourage children to access all learning environments. This means that they will be offered daily access to our outdoor area in all weathers (with obvious allowances given to risk assessments where weather is considered to pose heightened risk, such as high winds, storm and excessive ice). With this in mind, please dress children suitably for outdoors, and be prepared that outdoor fun can sometimes be dirty - old shoes and boots are perfect for outdoor play in nursery! **With the weather now changing please ensure your child has a hat, scarf and gloves in their nursery bag at all times.**

### Book Bags

Our Book Bag lending service is now up and running and children now have the opportunity to take home bags to extend their learning experience at home.

## **Council Policies**

We continue to implement a number of council policies throughout our establishment, which we kindly ask that you adhere to -

- *We request that dogs are not brought into nursery or tied up anywhere in or around the school grounds.*
- *We also kindly ask that birthday cakes are not provided. We do still celebrate birthdays in nursery, and I'm sure they look forward to their cake when they get home!*

## **Forest Kindergarten**

Our visits to our new Forest Kindergarten have commenced with great success! Our first group of children were taken by myself (Mrs McPhee) and Miss MacDonald and were given the opportunity to access the area in order to enhance their learning within a natural environment. All parents will be fully informed as to their children's involvement in due course.

## **Personal Learning Plans**

I would like to say thank you to everyone who managed along to the recent Personal Learning Plan meetings for their child. As always we are very grateful for your time, and we hope that it gave you a good insight into the ways in which we aim to tailor your child's PLP to their own individual Health and Wellbeing needs.

## **Sponsor Money**

The children had a great time raising funds for our nursery during our Sponsored Bounce last month. These funds will be used towards funding our summer trip. Thank you for all of your support it is greatly appreciated and really does make a difference. Any sponsor money still to be handed in can be given to your child's keyworker or to the office.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING  
IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS THAT ARE DUE TO  
TAKE PLACE BETWEEN NOW AND CHRISTMAS**



**OCTOBER**

**7<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> Oct** - PLP Review Meetings  
**Thu 10<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Parent's Evening  
**Mon 16<sup>th</sup>-Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Oct** - October Week  
**Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Celebrating Success  
Assembly  
**Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Oct** - Nursery Halloween Party

**NOVEMBER**

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Nov** - School / Nursery Open Day  
**Mon 18<sup>th</sup> & Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Nov** - In-service Day  
(children do not attend on these days)  
**Mon 25<sup>th</sup>, Tues 26<sup>th</sup> & Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Stay  
& Play  
**Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Christmas Fayre

**DECEMBER**

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Show 10.30am/1.45pm  
**Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Dec** - School Christmas Show  
**Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Jumper Day  
**Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Santa!  
**Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Party  
**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Holidays (return 6<sup>th</sup>  
January)

**SHOPPING DATES**

Every group will have the opportunity to go shopping on the first Friday of the month. All Parent helpers are welcome, please let your ELP know if you would like to join them -

**Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Nov** - Ducklings

Please direct any comments, complaints or concerns to:

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Here at St. Lucy's Nursery we welcome any feedback and suggestions you may have on the service we provide. Please fill in the space below should you have any comments or issues you wish to be addressed:

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Additionally, we welcome any comments on what you would like to see your child learning in Nursery -

***"What do you want your child to learn?"***

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We like to celebrate your child's achievements both in and out of nursery. Please note any achievements your child has celebrated recently, for example learning to swim, riding a bike, tying shoelaces etc.

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