



Whitelees Nursery Class Newsletter Jan 2023



NURSERY ENVIRONMENT

Within the environment we aim to make use of as many open ended resources as possible. We constantly gather, upcycle and research resources best suited to enhance your child's learning experience to support development of curiosity and creativity. We are happy to accept donations of dried food such as pasta and cereals, cardboard boxes, corks, acorns as well as outdoor items such as old pots and pans, soil, bulbs, metal or wooden utensils and scrap wood (sanded). If you have any spare items listed above please feel free to donate them to our nursery.

Please refrain from donating plastic items.

HOME LEARNING

This term we will be providing you and your child with a literacy home learning activity pack to support literacy development at home.

Children will be learning about the Everywhere Bear, to support school transition and we will round off this learning with our annual Teddy Bear's Picnic which will take place in the school. All children will take part in this and an adult will be invited to attend to enjoy this event with your child. Date TBC

COMMUNICATION

Children's safety and wellbeing are always our priority.

Accidents which occur throughout the nursery day will be communicated either when your child is dismissed at the end of the day or by telephone call following the dismissal of the children.

Incidents will be communicated to parent/carers by telephone.

STAFF

We are delighted to have welcomed our two new members of staff last term. Both Mrs Moazami and Miss Benton have settled in and have been a great addition to Team Wee Whitelees and have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know all the children.

Each morning all staff members greet children and their families. You are more than welcome to share and discuss any information at this time. You can also request to meet in a more private setting with Miss Ramsay or your child's Key worker. Please Dojo Miss Ramsay to arrange an appropriate time to discuss your child's needs and development.

CURRICULUM

We strive to develop essential literacy skills within the setting. We enrich our spaces with words, labels and symbols to support early literacy development.

Initiatives including 3 read and Language Land are undertaken each term within a small group setting.

New resources have been purchased to support numeracy development, watch out for our little bears!

This term we will be continuing initiatives including Play on Pedals, ABC Music. All planned for and child led learning experiences are planned for, evaluated and evidenced in our planning floorbooks. These are available to be looked at each day to give you more of an insight into your child's learning journey. Please speak to a member of our team if you have any questions regarding your child's learning.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| 26th January | Burns' Day- Children are invited to wear tartan and will enjoy some traditional treats |
| 12-13th February | Holiday |
| 14th February | In-Service Day |
| 8th March | World Book Day |
| 15th March | Red Nose Day |
| TBC | Teddy Bear Picnic |
| 29th March | Easter Hols 2:30 Finish |

CELEBRATION FUND

We kindly remind you that a suggested donation of **£2.50 per week** can be made to the nursery. These funds are essential to allow us to provide your child with the opportunity to taste a variety of seasonal foods, as well as enhancing learning experiences within the nursery including: Burns' Day and Easter treats, decorations and gifts and essentials, such as sun cream/hats etc.