

### What are we learning about in Nursery this month?

At the beginning of this month we will be celebrating 'Fruity Week' in Sgoil Àraich and giving children lots of opportunities to explore, prepare and taste a wide variety of different fruits. Children will help to sell the fruit bags that we have ordered from Hi 5 For Fruit.

We are delighted that the children have shown a great interest in the building work going on to create our new nursery, so for the rest of November we will be learning about 'Construction'. The children will continue to visit the new Nursery on a regular basis to see the progress and to talk to the construction workers about their work. Our 'Leabhar a' Mhios' (Book of the Month) is *Na Tri Mucan Beaga /The Three Little Pigs* and our Òran a' Mhios/Song of the Month is *Humptie Dumptie*. Children will have the opportunity to explore materials and build using a variety of construction toys and other resources. If you have any building experience or DIY skills that you could share with us in Sgoil Àraich, please let us know.

To continue to extend children's experience of Gaelic in the playroom, we have organised another visit from Bunscoil Chondobhrait Buddies and have organised a visit to Sgoil Àraich Chondobhrait for our children.

### Opening up learning

#### Opening Up Learning afternoon

You are invited to an Opening Up Learning morning on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November (10.30 – 11.40am). This will be an opportunity for you to find out more about how we plan for learning in Nursery with a particular focus on Health and Wellbeing. There will also be time for you to spend time in the playroom and to look at your child's 'Follow Me' folder and the Sgoil Àraich floorbook. Please complete and return the tear off slip so that we can plan for the numbers attending.

#### Learning Stories

We have sent home copies of each child's Learning Story for the Autumn Term. We hope that these have been useful in sharing some of the learning and experiences that your child has had over the last two months. We would love some feedback on how we might improve them in future. Please talk to our staff at Parents' Night and during the Opening Up Learning morning.

#### Parents' Evening

Parents' Morning and Evening for Sgoil Àraich is on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November. This is an opportunity for you to talk to the Nursery staff about your child's progress, discuss learning targets and have a look at their 'Follow Me' folder and the Sgoil Àraich floorbooks. There will be appointments available between 9.00 – 11.40am in the Nursery building or between 6.00 – 7.30pm in the main building. There are lists up in Nursery for you to sign up to a time.

## Òran a' Mhios/Song of the Month for November – Humptie Dumptie

Shuidh Humptie Dumptie

Suas air balla.

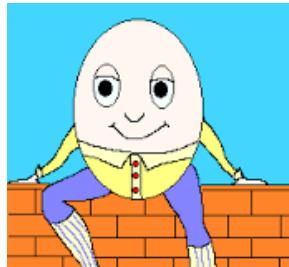
Bha tuiteam mòr aige.

Cha b' urrain na daoine

No eich nan righ

Chur Humptie Dumptie

Ri cheile a-rithist.



### **The English version**

Humpty Dumpty

Sat on a wall

Humpty Dumpty

Had a great fall

All the King's horses

And all the King's men

Couldn't put Humpty

Together again.

## Hi 5 for Fruit Bags

Thank you to all parents who have placed orders for fruit bags. These will be available for collection on Fridays. The bags contain 5 different pieces of fruit and are priced 50p. If you would like to place an order or make changes to your order – please speak to Mrs Grant.

## Book Swap

Just a reminder that Sgoil Àraich Book Swap will take place every Wednesday. Please return your child's book and swap for another Gaelic text. Many of the books have been read aloud and recorded. Links to these are available from the Nursery page of our school website

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/nl/tollbraeps/>

### **Dates for your diary**

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Fruit bags will be on sale

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 10.30 – 11.40am - Sgoil Àraich Tollbrae Opening Up Learning session on Wellbeing and Personal Plans and opportunity for parents to Stay & Play

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Parents' appointments during morning and evening

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Children can dress up for Children In Need (We are not taking donations for this. However, you are welcome to make a donation through the official Children In Need website)

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November - Sgoil Àraich Tollbrae closed for in-service day

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – children will visit Sgoil Àraich Chondobhrait

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Sgoil Àraich Christmas Fayre

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Sgoil Àraich Christmas Nativity

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December – outing to Cumbernauld Theatre for Christmas production

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December - Sgoil Àraich Christmas Party

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January inc. - Sgoil Àraich closed for holidays. Reopen Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017.