

St. Catherine's Nursery Class Newsletter March 2017

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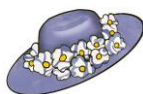
World Book Day - Friday, 3rd March

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday, 3rd March. The children will have been busy drawing pictures to enter the World Book Day competition and these will focus on the story 'There's a Tiger in the Garden'. The children can dress up as a character from their favourite story or bring in a much loved book to read at nursery. We will finish the day with a special picnic in the Secret Garden.

Stay and Play - Monday, 13th March

Thank you to all the parents and carers who came and joined us for our open day.

There will be a **STAY and PLAY** session for all the **AM** and **PM** parents during the week beginning **13th March**. You can join in with any activity, paint a picture, tell a story, etc. or do you have any talents you could share with the children? Please fill in a time slot on the timetable which will be up on the wall in the cloakroom area.



Sponsored Easter Parade - Tuesday, 28th March



For the Sponsored Easter Parade all of the nursery children will make an Easter bonnet or hat and we will walk around the school and the local area (weather permitting). The money raised from this event will go towards the costs (bus hire, entrance fee and lunch) of our summer trip to the Heads of Ayr Farm.

Easter Egg Hunt - Friday, 31st March

This will be a very exciting event for all of the children (and the adults)! Hopefully the weather will be kind to us and the Easter Bunny will hide the eggs outside for all of us to find. (If the weather is wet, we're sure the Easter Bunny will find a way to leave them inside).



Library

We hope you and your child are enjoying our new library time. Please take the time to share the books with your child and don't forget to write a comment on the sheet as the children really look forward to telling us all about their story and of course gaining another star. Please remember to encourage the children to look after the books and return them on time so that all the children can share library time together.

DAISY LIBRARY TIME - Tuesday - am/pm
BUSY BEE LIBRARY TIME - Wednesday am/pm



Donations

A massive thank you to all the parents and carers who continue to support the nursery with your voluntary donation of £2 a week. This money is used to provide the children with outings and snack. It is very much appreciated.

Walking Group

We are delighted that so many parents have been joining us for our walking group outings. Suggestions for future walks include: the pet shop, the library, Barshaw, Knockhill and Robertson Parks and the Museum. If you have any other suggestions please let us know.

Photographs - Thursday, 20th April and Friday, 21st April

Here is some early notice of the photographer's visit. This event will be happening the first week back after the Easter break. Please complete the form below if you would like your child's photograph to be taken individually on **Thursday, 20th April** or with younger/older siblings on **Friday, 21st April**, or both.

New Routine

We hope you are enjoying the new routine that we have introduced to the nursery and feel more able to have a chat about any news you may have about your child or any concerns. Please still feel able to arrange a time, during the nursery hours, to come in to have a chat to Teresa.

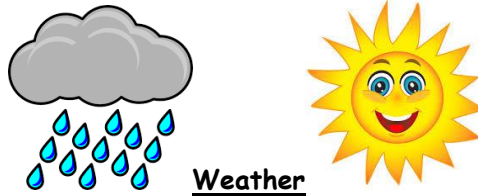
Bookbug - Busy Bee Room

Thank you to all of our parents for attending our Bookbug sessions. Our Daisy Room parents and children are welcome too. We encourage you to come along if you can and enjoy storytelling, rhymes and songs with your child.

- AM parents on a Tuesday morning 9.00am-9.30am
- PM parents on a Thursday afternoon 1.00pm-1.30pm.

Families First

Please see the list of events from Families First on the notice board. If you wish to see Families First they are available here on Fridays 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm or at Gallowhill Community Centre on a Tuesday morning 10.00am - 11.00am.



Please ensure that weather appropriate clothing is worn as your children will be involved in outdoor learning every day. As the weather can be very cold at this time of year a waterproof jacket, hat, scarf and gloves and sensible footwear should be worn. Providing your child with a change of shoes to leave in nursery would be very much appreciated.

Absences

Please remember to phone the nursery mobile if your child will be absent from nursery, thank you.

Renfrewshire Council's Policy on Smoking and Dogs

Renfrewshire Council has adopted a no smoking policy in all premises and council owned grounds. Dogs are not permitted on school grounds.

Password

If you are not collecting your child from nursery and it is not someone we know we will ask you to provide a password. The password will change each time this happens.

Dates for your diary!

March

World Book Day - Friday, 3rd March
Stay and Play - Monday, 13th March
Sponsored Easter Parade - Tuesday, 28th March
Easter Egg Hunt - Friday, 31st March
Spring Holiday begins - Friday, 31st March

April

Return to Nursery - Tuesday, 18th April
Photographs - Thursday, 20th April and Friday, 21st April

I know it's early but we would all like to say a Happy Easter to all of our parents, children and staff. It has been a super term with lots happening in such a fabulous nursery, with lovely children who continue to be happy and learn. Enjoy the holidays when they come and I hope the Easter Bunny is good to everyone.

Ms McLaughlin

Achievements

We encourage your children to tell us about their achievements out with school we are sure that we do not know about lots of things however big or small, for this reason we would like your help. If you feel your child has accomplished something for the first time, improved in something or has achieved an award please let us know by completing the slip below. This will be shared with all the children during welcome time and added to our achievement records.

I would like

(name) _____

To be recognised for his/her achievement in

He/She: _____

Parent/ Carer signature: _____ Date: _____

PHOTOGRAPHS

Please fill out the slip below and return it to the nursery if you would like your child's photograph to be taken.

Please also let us know the names of any brothers and sisters you would like included in the Friday photographs.

I would like
(name) _____

To be photographed on:

Thursday, 20th April (individual photographs)

Friday, 21st April (family photographs)

With (names of brothers and sisters)

Parent/ Carer signature: _____ Date: _____