



St. Catherine's Nursery Class Newsletter

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Graduation Reminder – 22rd June

This celebration will take place on the **afternoon of 22rd June** and involve the children who are graduating. We are all looking forward to this exciting event. This years theme is friendship and reaching for the stars!

The arrangements for graduation day are:-

- All of the children who are graduating (morning and afternoon children) should be dropped off at the nursery at 1.00pm
- Parents/carers should then arrive at the school hall for 2.15pm (**maximum of three guests per family**) to watch the performance and graduation
- Then both parents/carers and children are invited to join us in the nursery to cut the graduation cake

To enable us to have the graduation ceremony we kindly ask that the afternoon children, who are not graduating from the nursery, come to the morning session on 22rd June. This is a great help.

Weather

Please ensure that weather appropriate clothing is worn as your child will be involved in outdoor learning every day. As the weather can be warm at this time of year, please make sure that they have a hat and have sunscreen applied before they come to nursery. If it is wet a waterproof jacket and sensible footwear should be worn. Providing your child with a change of shoes to leave in nursery would be very much appreciated.

Sports Day Reminder – 8th June

Sports Day will be on **8th June**. The children will be involved in a variety of fun activities. We hope you will be able to join us and help support your children to have some fun, as always there will be the parents' race – so there is still time to get in training. Morning parents/carers are asked to arrive at the school by **11.00am** and afternoon parents/carers to arrive by **2.00pm**. The races will be outside (weather permitting), otherwise they will take place in the school gym hall. The children will come back in to nursery after their sports for fruit and water.

School Trip

Our summer school trip is in the process of being finalised. We were delighted with the response for parent helpers and thank all who put there name forward. Unfortunately, we can't take everyone along and we will let the parent helpers who have been selected know by text. Please let us know as soon as possible if you are not available to enable us to arrange someone else and stay within ratio. Thank you again for your support.

Fun Day – 25th June

In order to celebrate and round off a great year in the nursery we will be having a 'day of fun' on the **25th June** with face painting, nail painting, special snacks and games and a bouncy castle for the children to enjoy. This will be our fund raising event for this term and the children will be deciding on the charity that the money raised will go too. This will be £1 and as always, participation is optional.

Reporting to Parents

It was fantastic to see almost all parents attending our recent parents meetings. I hope you were impressed with the progress your children have made across the year. Thank you to the dedicated and committed staff of St Catherine's Nursery Class for all of their hard work to ensure we continue to get it right for your children.

Visits

Chief Executive Sandra Black and Acting Director Steven Quinn recently had a wonderful time visiting our school. They spent time talking to the children about teaching and learning and the children spoke confidently about our school vision, citizenship groups, nurture drop-in, enterprising clubs and so much more. We were delighted to receive excellent feedback in which they described your children as being outstanding, articulate and well behaved and our school as one of the very best educational provisions in Renfrewshire. Well done team St Catherine's!

Learning experiences

Our children have been learning all about summer, enjoying planting outdoors. They have been making and enjoying healthy foods. Our Busy Bee children have put our Secret Garden to good using their creative and problem solving skills to build dens. We have used different technologies to explore weight and measurement through baking and have enjoyed learning about famous artists and exploring a variety of artistic techniques.

Our Daisy Room children have continued to focus on numbers and colours across all areas. They have enjoyed travelling on buses and trains and even visited the transport museum. Our Busy Bee Buddies have enjoyed helping our children make their transition into their room.

School Holidays

The school will close on **Wednesday 27th June at 1pm** and will re-open to staff and pupils on **Wednesday 15th August**.

Dates for your diary

June

5	Whole School Trip
8	Sports Day
14	New Starts Open Hour (3pm)
22	Graduation
25	Fun Day
27	School closes at 1pm for Summer break

August

15	Pupils return
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Recognition of Achievement

Although we encourage children to tell us about their achievements out with school we are sure that we don't know about lots of things however big or small, for this reason we would like your help. If you feel that your child has accomplished something for the first time, improved in something, or has achieved an award (yellow belt in Judo, badges at Scouts/Brownies/Boys Brigade etc.) please let us know by completing the tear off slip below. This will then be shared with all of our friends and added to our achievements records.

Name _____

Details of Personal Achievement

Parent's Signature _____

Date _____

You are welcome to provide feedback on any items contained in our newsletter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is ever anything you wish to discuss.

Mrs Emma Henry, Head Teacher

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<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/stcatherines/>

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