



August 2021 Newsletter



The Nursery Team



Miss Alison Laird
Team Leader



Miss Abbie Mundy
Modern Apprentice



Miss Sara Bano
Early Years Worker
Bumblebees



Mrs. Cody Penlington
Early Years Worker
Caterpillars



Mrs. Maria Leggate
Early Years Worker
Ladybirds



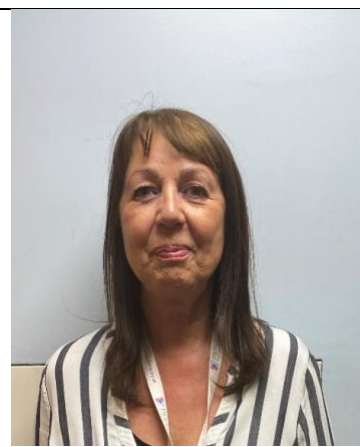
Miss Niki Mc Dougall
Early Years Worker
Butterflies



Miss Miriam Bell
Early Years Worker
Dragonflies
(Wednesday pm, Thursday
and Friday)



Mrs. Ashley Russell
Early Years Worker
Dragonflies
(Monday, Tuesday, and
Wednesday am)



Mrs. Moira Sullivan
Early Years Support Assistant

Welcome



We would like to extend a warm welcome to both our returning and new families. We are delighted to be back and have been enjoying catching-up with the boys and girls.

A huge thank you to all our parents and guardians for your support with our staggered start and finishing times as this allows us to sustain social distancing, while following new sign in routines.

Parents and guardians will be met outside by Miss Laird at the start of the day and, when possible, their child's keyworker at the end of the day. Unfortunately, we are not able to admit anyone into the school building at this time. To have more detailed or confidential discussions, please indicate to a member of staff that you would like a telephone call and we will be happy to oblige.

Children are being encouraged to wash their hands at more regular intervals. Hand sanitizer is also available at the entrance and exit of the nursery.

Snacks continue to be served twice a day within the nursery. Children are served lunch in the dining hall.

Additional cleaning routines are in place including sanitisation of touch points and cleaning and rotation of nursery resources.

Contexts for learning

We have been getting to know all our new boys and girls and their families and catching up with all the children after our summer holidays. The **Bumblebees** have been exploring all the activities on offer throughout the nursery. They have been having lots of outdoor fun with Miss Bano creating an obstacle course where they have been timing each other to see how long it takes to complete.

Mrs. Penlington and the **Caterpillars** have been getting to know each other discussing what they like and dislike. The Caterpillars have been getting lots of physical play outside.

The **Ladybirds** have been playing and investigating the play areas both inside and outside with Mrs. Leggate. Some of the bigger boys and girls have been a buddy to the new boys and girls to help them with the nursery routine.

Butterflies and Miss Mc Dougall have been busy making their own sand, playdough and even banana porridge. The Butterflies have had lots of outdoor play learning new skills and working with their friends.

Mrs. Russell, Miss Bell, and the **Dragonflies** have been sharing with each other who is in their family which they have drawn in their floorbook. The boys and girls have been busy showing off their skills on the bikes and mark making with the chalk as they play outside.

Dress-down/ Dress-up day

On the last Friday of every month, all children at Chatelherault Primary Nursery Class are invited to dress-up to raise money for charity (£1 or loose change). This is our way of participating in the whole school dress-down day. This is, of course, optional. The first Dress-up day will take place on Friday 27th August.

Twitter @ChatelheraultNC

Please join us on Twitter! We will be posting regular snapshots of your child's nursery experiences as soon as we have received all photo permission slips.

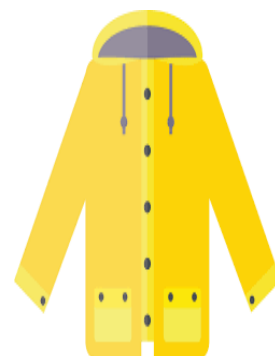


We also have pages on the school website where we post regular updates including lots of pictures. <http://www.chatelherault-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk/wordpress/index.php/classrooms/nursery/>

Please bear with us as our school website is being updated to a new platform as we have been experiencing technical issues.

Personal Belongings

Please send a change of clothes in a bag to leave on your child's peg, for any changes after water play or toilet accidents. During this time, we are unable to share nursery jackets and wellington boots so please ensure your child is dressed for all weathers. We are also following government guidance by increasing ventilation. In the nursery both sets of garden doors will be open for the entire session so wearing a cardigan or a jumper is advisable. Please ensure your child's name is on all personal belongings.



Personal Plans

This term we will be discussing your child's personal plan. We will be emailing you the format of our new personal plan which has been devised by South Lanarkshire Council in partnership with the Care Inspectorate so that you can familiarise yourself with this before meeting your child's Keyworker. We will contact you within the next two weeks to arrange a suitable appointment time to have a chat about how your child is settling in and what we can do to support your child's wellbeing.

Packed Lunches



Packed lunches are always welcome however, they should not contain chocolate, fizzy juice, sweets or crisps, due to Setting the Table guidelines. Further information on Setting the Table can be found at:

<http://hub.careinspectorate.com/media/177298/nhs-setting-the-table.pdf>

We would also ask you to include a cool pack to ensure food is kept at an appropriate temperature.

Any food containing nuts, including; peanut butter, Nutella and cereal bars containing nuts should not be brought to nursery.

If you are looking for ideas for healthy packed lunches, Eating Well: Packed Lunches for 1-4year olds is a great source for ideas. This can be found at:

<http://hub.careinspectorate.com/media/257953/eating-well-packed-lunches-for-1-4-year-olds.pdf>

If you require support or advice on the contents of packed lunches, please speak to your child's key worker or Miss Laird.

Tree-Mendous

Once a month we will send home a leaf for our Tree-mendous Tree. Please ask your child about things they would like to share. This can include helping make their bed, getting dressed by themselves, riding their bike without stabilisers, earning a badge at Tae-kwon-do...anything they would like to be shared with nursery friends.



Medicines

Please let us know if your child has received medicine before attending nursery to allow staff to support and monitor your child.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Time	Event
Friday 27 th Aug	All Day	Dress-up Day
Monday -Friday 30 st -3 rd Sept	By Arrangement	Care Plan Appointments
Monday -Friday 6 th -10 th Sept	By Arrangement	Care Plan Appointments
Friday 11 th Sept	All Day	Sponsored Event
Thursday 24 th Sept	All Day 3pm	Dress-up Day
Friday 24 th /Monday 27 th Sept		School Closed Holiday weekend