



March 2023 Newsletter



Welcome



The children have been enjoying learning lots of new skills using all our new nursery resources. During our March Tiny Talking Teams meeting the children told us all about 'What they liked in the nursery' and 'What we could do better'. Please have a look at the results in the Tiny Talking Teams folder available in nursery. Here are some photos of our favourite things to do...





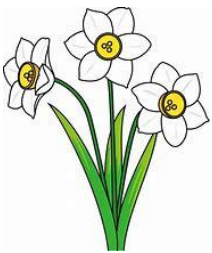
World Book Day

The children enjoyed celebrating World Book Day at the beginning of March. A huge thank you to the P6's who took time to come down to Nursery and read stories to all the children.



Downs Syndrome Day

This year World Down Syndrome Day is on Tuesday, 21st March 2023. To raise awareness of Down Syndrome, we are asking the children and adults in the nursery to wear some socks that will get you noticed. They might be mismatched socks or your craziest and most colourful socks, whatever takes your fancy!



Daffodil Tea

The children will be taking part in an Easter Bonnet Parade as part of our annual Daffodil Tea on Friday 24th March 2023. We will also be singing on stage. If you need help with an Easter bonnet, please speak to your child's key worker. Mr O'Neill's pancakes will be available and refreshments. Tickets will cost £1 which includes a tea/coffee and cake/pancake. Tickets are currently available via Parent Pay.

Summer Trip



Thank you to all parents and cares who made lots of fantastic suggestions for our nursery summer trip. The children have been casting their vote, and we are very happy to say our winner is **Blair Drummond Safari Park**. More details to follow soon.

Nursery Pick-up time

Polite reminder ~ Can you please pick-up your child before 3pm. Thank you

Position Statement of the Month

In January and February our focus was 'Learning Stories' and 'Accident and Incident' position statements. Thank you to those who took time to provide feedback.

This month we are reviewing 'The role of the Keyworker' position statement. We welcome your comments. Slips are available beside the position statement on the Parental Partnership Board. Please don't hesitate to speak to a member of the team if you need help.

Stay, play and Learn Workshop



As part of our ongoing commitment to working in partnership with parents, we will be holding a 'Stay, Play and learn Workshop' on Wednesday 26th April 1.45pm -2.45pm. Please look out for more details.

During these sessions, you will have the opportunity to join in a range of play experiences. We will continue to offer 'Stay, play and learn' opportunities on a monthly basis, see the 'Dates for your Diary' section for more information.

Compliments and Suggestions

We always welcome comments and suggestions from parents and carers. By acting on this, we know we are meeting your needs and providing a high-quality service for you and your child. Compliment and suggestion slips are available in the nursery cloakroom.

Lunches

To encourage your child's independence, we now have our lunch board at the entrance of the nursery, where there are visuals of all the choices of lunch for that day. We ask you support your child to choose their lunch and place their photo on the appropriate coloured tray. Thank you.

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 old's 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.

Changes of Clothes



Please ensure that your child has a complete change of clothes in their nursery bag. This is helpful for those occasional accidents, but more frequently for changing after getting wet while playing outdoors or with water.

Can I also ask you to return any nursery clothes. We have a very limited amount of clothes in particular trousers, underwear and socks.

If anyone would like to donate spare old clothes, for changing purposes, it would be very welcome.



Medicines

Please note that any medicine that is expected to be administered by the nursery must be properly labelled from a pharmacy and in date before it can be signed into the nursery, thank you. Please let us know if your child has received medicine before attending nursery to allow staff to support and monitor your child.

Periods of vomiting and/ or diarrhea should be followed by a 48-hour exclusion from nursery after the last episode.

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Please join us on Twitter! We will be posting regular snapshots of your child's nursery experiences.

Dates for Your Diary

DATE	TIME	EVENT/ACTIVITY
Tuesday 21st March		World Down Syndrome Day
Friday 24 th March	9.15 am / 11.00 am	Daffodil Tea - All parents and carers invited
Wednesday 26 th April	1.45-2.45 pm	Stay, Play and Learn Workshop
Tuesday 6 th June		Sports Day 1 - Weather dependant
Thursday 8 th June		Sports Day - Rearranged to this day if it cannot go ahead due to weather on Tues 6 th June
Thursday 22 nd June	Details to follow	Nursery leavers celebration
Tuesday 27 th June 2023	1.00pm	Nursery closes for summer break