



# Woodhead

Primary School  
and Nursery Class

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## Nursery Newsletter March 2020

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## **Literacy Resources**

Staff are in the process of developing our literacy program by introducing Alliteration bags. These bags contain individual alphabet tubs for each letter of the alphabet and an assortment of small objects relating to the letter of the tub. We will use these to help children develop their awareness of sounds at the start of words. We are looking for small objects/toys to add to these tubs and would be grateful if you can hand any into the nursery staff e.g. Bat, Cat, Dog, Star, Car, Key etc.

## **Outdoor Play**

Children have lots of wonderful opportunities to experience outdoor learning at Woodhead Nursery Class. In line with current early years guidance, we operate a free-flow open door policy which enables children to access the outdoor learning environment throughout the nursery day, in all weather conditions. Your child is provided with a waterproof nursery jacket and trousers and we ask that parents can provide welly boots, hat, scarves and gloves for going outside. Outdoor play has endless benefits for children and it is important for helping to keep them healthy and well. If you would like further information about outdoor learning, please speak with Miss Harkness or Mrs. Watson.

## **Your Learning Journals**

These are a great way for you to see what your child has been learning at nursery and we encourage you to add comments in the space provided. We love to hear your feedback. Please see your child's keyworker if you have not yet had log in details.

There is a spare computer always available in our nursery should you wish to log on and check your child's learning journal. Please speak to any member of staff who will be more than happy to help.

## **Absence**

We respectfully ask that all parents/carers respect NHS guidelines for the control of illness – diarrhoea and / or vomiting – must be kept off for 48 hours from the last episode. If your child is sent home with the above from nursery, please adhere to these guidelines.

## **Snack and Toy Fund**

This fund is used to purchase snack twice daily and allows us to continue to update and purchase new resources when needed. Can all parents/carers ensure that 50p per day is paid towards the nursery snack and toy fund (£2.50 per week). This can be paid daily, weekly or monthly.

## **Stay and Play Sessions**

We are delighted to offer regular Stay and Play session to allow parents/carers to work and play alongside their child in the nursery environment. The dates for the remainder of the school session are:

- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 (1.45pm-2.45pm)
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020 (9am-10.30am)
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020 (1.45pm-2.45pm)
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020 (9.30am-10.30am)
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2020 (1.30pm-2.45pm)

We hope that this variety of days/times allows as many parents/carers to attend at least one session. We look forward to seeing you there.

## **Coronavirus Update**

South Lanarkshire Council have issued an NHS Scotland update to all education settings with helpful information about the Coronavirus. This can be accessed on the school website at [bit.ly/coronavirusnhscotland](http://bit.ly/coronavirusnhscotland)

## **Recipe of the month - Playdoh**

### **Ingredients**

1. 1 cup flour
2. 2 tsp cream of tartar
3. 1/2 cup salt
4. 1 tbsp. cooking oil Olive oil or vegetable oil
5. 1 cup water
6. Food colouring

## **Instructions**

1. In a large bowl, combine all of your dry ingredients (flour, salt, cream of tartar) and mix well.
2. Mix food colouring with your water first. Then add the vegetable oil and water with food colouring to a large pot. Mix together.
3. Add the dry ingredients to your pot and mix well.
4. Cook over low to medium heat until the dough starts to form and becomes dry.
5. Once it starts to form a ball together and looks fully cooked, take off the heat. Let the dough cool first before touching.
6. Once cool, knead the dough for 5 minutes to make the dough soft.
7. If your dough is not soft, continue kneading for another 5 minutes. If you find it is still too dry add a little bit more oil and knead in.

### **Upcoming Diary Dates - March 2020**

<b>Fri 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020</b>	Stay and Play Session (1.45pm-2.45pm)
<b>Fri 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020</b>	Easter Craft Day
<b>Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020</b>	Easter Service (Times TBC)
<b>Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020</b>	Non-Uniform Day (Mis-Match Clothes Theme)
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020</b>	School closes at 2.30pm for Spring Holiday

### **Upcoming Diary Dates - April 2020**

<b>Mon 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020</b>	School and Nursery re-open to pupils
<b>Thu 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020</b>	Stay and Play Session (9am-10.30am)

### **Upcoming Diary Dates - May 2020**

<b>Fri 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020</b>	Non-Uniform Day (Wear One Colour Theme)
<b>Thu 7<sup>th</sup> May 2020</b>	Inservice Day 7 – School and Nursery closed to pupils
<b>Fri 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020</b>	May Day Bank Holiday – School and Nursery closed
<b>Mon 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020</b>	Stay and Play Session (1.45pm-2.45pm)
<b>Tue 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020</b>	PTA and Parent Council Meetings (6.45pm-8.30pm)
<b>Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020</b>	May Long Weekend – School and Nursery closed
<b>Mon 25<sup>th</sup> May 2020</b>	May Long Weekend – School and Nursery closed
<b>Tue 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020</b>	Stay and Play Session (9.30am-10.30am)
<b>Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020</b>	Non-Uniform Day (Summer Theme)