



April's Newsletter 2021

April

Our virtual Annual Easter Bonnet was a great success thank you for all the lovely creations that were made at home. The children were very excited to take part.

It's hard to believe that we are nearing the 2nd nursery term. Take time to congratulate yourself on how well you have supported your children through all home/school learning activities. We are very much looking forward to a "brighter" 3rd term!

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In the best interest of parents, staff and children can I ask again to please wear a face covering at all times, when entering school grounds.

Our Focus

Theme:- "Growing "

Colour:- Yellow

Shape:- Oval

Farm visit

The farm will bring their roadshow tour to the nursery . Date to be confirmed and following Covid recommendations.



This month the children are learning about the Farm, growing and lifecycles. Our colour for the month is yellow and we will be experimenting and noticing different shades and tints of yellow.



Important Dates for you diary

School will be closed Friday 2nd April and reopen Tuesday 13th. Baker day for staff on 12th April. .



Our Caterpillars will be arriving after the easter holidays. This is a brilliant way for children to experience the life cycle of a caterpillar.

Librarian visit Lisa from Dairy farm library will be virtually visiting the children to read a selection of stories that relate to our new topics of spring, Farm and life cycles.

Media Initiative



Good Shepherd Nursery School is involved in a programme that increases children's awareness of diversity & difference issues. We are learning about these issues through our 6 puppets. We have given you a copy of the aims of the programme so you can talk to your child about our 'friends'. This month we are learning about cultural differences with the help of "Bukola".

Theme for this month

"We can Stop the Bullying"

Please let us know if you child will be absent and the reason as we need to follow covid guidelines and procedure in place.

Please do not send your child to school if he/she has

1. A high temperature And/or
2. A new cough and/or.
3. Loss of taste or smell

If your child has any of these symptoms please follow PHA guidelines seek a test immediately. Please do not send your child to school if anyone in your household has symptoms or is awaiting a covid test result.

Thank you for your continued support during these challenging times..



ECO Schools

Topic of the month

Recycling

Biodiversity

Litter

Waste-recycling



Awards For All.



We have been successful in securing a £10,000 grant! We will update our sensory garden with a new barked area to house our mud kitchen, a new wooden cottage and some other exciting things!



Melissa from Jump, Jiggle and Jive will visit the nursery for a number of sessions during April. Children are thoroughly enjoying these sessions and developing key physical skills.



Sonal Sportz

Coach Paul continues to visit and teach football skills in a fun enjoyable way.



Happy Birthday to those children who all celebrate their Birthday's in April



Please can we ask you to ring in morning to let us know if your child is going to be late, so we can update dinners numbers.



The recycling People from Belfast City Council are delighted to do a virtual reading on a recycling story about Mr. Rat.



School Gate/Car Park

May I remind parents' not to park in the school car park even if gate is open Please do not open our main gate.

The safety of every child both in Primary and Nursery is Paramount



Admission for Primary School.

You will receive confirmation of your new Primary School on 28th April, please inform your class teacher of your child's placement.

We still have places available in GSNS in Sept 21 for right age children, so if you know of anyone who has not yet applied encourage them to phone the nursery ASAP.