



## Newsletter Feb-March 24

*Please continue to check the website regularly as there are updates, information and calendar dates being added throughout the year!*

### Learning Themes

Information about our 'Learning Themes' can be found on our website under 'PARENTS' and 'LEARNING THEMES'. In March and April, we are learning about "Growing in my Wonderful World".

### Parents Meetings

We will be holding telephone meetings with you all to discuss your child's progress and achievements in Nursery this year. We understand that many of you have commitments during the day, but very much appreciate you taking the time out to speak with your child's teacher. An 'app' message will be sent for you to book an appointment. If you have recently had a meeting with your child's teacher, then you do not need to make another appointment.

Morning children will be offered appointments on Weds 20<sup>th</sup> March.

Afternoon children will be offered appointments on Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> March.

*(Miss Burns' children will have appointments on both of these days.*

*Miss Burns will also have appointments available on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March.)*

In order for staff to facilitate these the following changes to nursery arrangements have been made:

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March- **There will be no MORNING session on this day.**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March- **There will be no AFTERNOON session on this day.**

### Big Bedtime Read

Your child is bringing home a book pack this week with books for you to enjoy together at home. This is funded through the 'Big Bedtime Read' Department of Education initiative. We want you and your child to make the most of reading together and in each pack, there are some handy hints and tips for reading together at bedtime- or anytime during the day! In order to ensure that everyone can enjoy the variety of books on offer, we have put in place the following borrowing guidelines and would appreciate your support in returning packs on time:

\*Each book pack is numbered, and we take a note of which pack is allocated to each child.

\*Please return the pack next Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb to your child's teacher.

\*A new pack will then be sent every Thursday and should be returned on the following Monday. If your book pack has not been returned to us, then you will not receive a new one until it is back in school.

***Each book is stamped inside so you can easily identify our books if they get mixed up with others at home!***

<https://www.ballyclarenurseryschool.co.uk/parents/big-bedtime-read/>

### **World Book Day**

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March children can come to school dressed up as their favourite character if they wish! We will be engaging in lots of 'book' and 'story' activities on this day! Please don't worry if your child does not want to dress up. There will be lots of other ways they will be able to enjoy the day! Unfortunately, Stephen – our storyteller is not able to come on this day as we had previously planned. Instead, he will be coming On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March to facilitate lots of storytelling and other fun activities for the children!

### **Diary Dates:**

#### **February**

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>- Jo Jingles begins for 4 weeks every Tuesday.

#### **March**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March- Mr Hullabaloo Spring Show in school

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March- 'World of Owls' in school

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March- World Book Day- *children to dress up.*

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March- **Morning session CLOSED-** parent's meetings.

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March- **Afternoon session CLOSED-** parent's meetings.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March- **Children finish for Easter Holidays**

#### **April**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April- Nursery reopens for Summer Term

- Live caterpillars arrive in nursery this week!

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> – Jo Jingles

#### **May**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May- **Closed for Bank Holiday Weekend and Staff Days**

Weds 8<sup>th</sup> May – **Nursery re -opens.**

Tues 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>- Jo Jingles

Weds 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> – 'Rugbugz' in school.

20<sup>th</sup> May- 'Bee Week' (Monday 20<sup>th</sup>- World Bee Day) Visit from Trevor a beekeeper from Sitalane Honey.

23<sup>rd</sup> May- Graduation Photographs

24<sup>th</sup> May- **Closed for Bank Holiday and Staff days**

29<sup>th</sup> May- **Nursery re-opens**

#### **June**

Weds 5<sup>th</sup> – 'Rugbugz' in school.

17<sup>th</sup> June- 'Arts Week'- *children can dress up as pirates on the Friday of this week.*

27<sup>th</sup> June- PM children Graduation Day- and **last day of school** (no AM session on this day)

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