



Waringstown P.S. Nursery News

May 2015

Summer Term



Our topic this month is minibeasts and we will be talking and learning about

- Names of common minibeasts
- Counting legs on spiders, ants, etc.
- The life cycle of a butterfly
- Attempting to write our own name

We will be starting to practise for Sport's Day and also for our end of year concert, both of which will take place in June (more details to follow).



TRIP TO W5

We have planned a special final trip of the year to W5 in Belfast on Thursday 28th May. The children will be taking part in a 'Mini-beast' Workshop and will have time to play in the different zoned areas. We will also bring a packed lunch and eat it in the café area. Please note the later collection time of 1.45pm on this day. The trip will cost £7.50 per child - the rest will be subsidised with money left from Nursery Fund.

Our New Mud Kitchen



Thank you to all the parents who have donated old items for our exploratory play and our new mud kitchen. The children have been enjoying making mud trifles, cakes, buns and mud pies & we are putting the new waterproof dungarees to good use!

PLEASE SEND £10 NURSERY FUND MONEY FOR MAY- THANK YOU!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 4th May - School closed for Spring Bank Holiday

Thurs 7th May - School closed for local elections

Thurs 28th May - Trip to W5 - note later collection time of 1.45pm

Mon 25th May - School closed for Spring Bank Holiday

Keeping Safe in the Sun



This term we are hoping for some better weather so please remember on warm, sunny days (when we get them!) to apply suncream to your child *before*

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they come to school as we are unable to do this.

Please send a labelled sun hat to protect little heads from the sun.

Skills we are learning in Nursery...**CUTTING SKILLS**



We have been working hard on developing cutting skills and discussing safe use of scissors in nursery. If you would like to support your child in developing their scissor control here are a few ideas which you may find useful-

- Once you have shown your child the correct scissor hold explain to them that their thumb nail should always be pointing up towards the ceiling.
- Encourage your child to use one hand to hold the paper & the other hand to hold the scissors.
- Children can then practise cutting a selection of materials (start with thicker paper or card) such as old greeting cards, straws, playdough, and wool.
- A great starting point when your child begins to cut paper is to allow them to fringe around the edges rather than attempt to cut right across the sheet.
- Ensure your child is sitting down to cut and always supervise them with scissors.

May Birthdays!



Happy birthday this month to Belle and Gabrielle ! We celebrate birthdays on a **Friday**. Look out for your child's photograph on our birthday board. *If you wish you may send a cake or buns to school on the Friday!*

Transition to Primary One



In May and June we will be helping your child make the transition to Primary One in a number of ways. We will invite their new class Teacher to come into the Nursery and meet them in their familiar environment. We will take a photo of them with their new Teacher which they can keep and look at over the summer holidays to remind them. They will visit their new Primary One class on their induction afternoon and meet their new teacher again. We wish that each child has a smooth as possible transition and hope to make it an enjoyable and stress-free experience.

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We are still collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers – please place any vouchers in the Nursery Fund box. Thank you! For more details visit <https://activekids.sainsburys-live-well-for-less.co.uk/>