

# Waringstown P.S. Nursery News

## May 2016



#### 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 - see Dates for your Diary! On Tuesdays & Wednesdays this month the front door will open at 11.40am to allow you to come in and see your child busy at play!



#### TRIP TO W5

We have planned a trip to W5 in Belfast on Thursday 26 May. The children will be taking part in a 'Mini-beast' Workshop and will have time to play in the different zoned areas, including the climb-it area. 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 - to cover the cost of admission and the bus to Belfast.

## Rugby in the Nursery!



This month we welcome Grant Martin to our Nursery who will be teaching our children some basic rugby skills over the course of three weeks, beginning on Friday 6 May. Our Forest school initiative will begin in the Nursery on Mon 9 May.

PLEASE SEND £12 NURSERY FUND MONEY FOR MAY— THANK YOU!

#### <u>DATES FOR YOUR DIARY</u> Fri 6 May - Non Uniform Day

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Mon 9 May - Forest Schools

Thurs 26 May - Trip to W5 - note later collection time of 1.45pm

Mon 30 May - School closed for Spring Bank Holiday

Thurs 2 June - Sports Day

Thurs 16 June - Nursery End of Year

Concert

### 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* they come to school as we are unable to do this. Please send a labelled sun hat to protect little heads from the sun.



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Skills we are learning Nursery... Mark Making

First marks that your child makes are scribbles - they are uncontrolled, random and unintended. As marks become more controlled, they are deliberate, intentional and repeated patterns begin to emerge. Ways to help your child at home..

- Provide all kinds of pens and pencils to scribble with
- Displaying their work around the house and praising their achievements
- Talking about their drawings ' "Tell me about your work..."
- Having words written beside their drawings to describe the content helps them make connections between words and pictures

May Birthdays! Happy birthday this month to Henry and Harry! 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 of that week! (please check they contain no nuts or traces of nuts).

#### **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.



We are still collecting
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— please place any vouchers in
the Nursery Fund box. Thank
you! For more details visit
https://activekids.sainsburyslive-well-for-less.co.uk/