

# Waringstown P.S. Nursery News - January 2017

## Happy New Year!

We welcome the children back to Nursery school after the Christmas holidays and hope they are well rested and ready for a new term of exciting indoor and outdoor experiences! This month we will be talking about and learning about

- Ice and frost
- Cold colours
- Snowmen
- Birds
- Warm clothes for winter



As the children have been at home for two weeks, we will also take time to learn again the routines of the classroom- snack, toilet, tidying up and remind each other of the class rules.

***If you have any old children's comics or books that have been read and are about to be thrown out, please send them to Nursery school. It would be much appreciated. Also if you think you have a book which other adults may enjoy reading please send it in for our lending***

***library!***



## Students on Placement

*In the Nursery we have a number of Students on Placement from Lisburn and Lurgan SRC. **Megan Auld, Vanessa Harmat, Lucy Briggs and Lisa Lewis** come into the nursery two days a week working alongside the Nursery staff and the children.*

**PLEASE SEND £12 NURSERY FUND MONEY FOR JANUARY- THANK YOU!**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY-

***Wed 11 Jan at 12noon is the deadline for Primary 1 and Nursery forms to be submitted***

***Fri 13 Jan - Ditch the Dark Day***

***Tues 7 Feb- Thurs 9 Feb - half term parent interviews (please note the Nursery Unit will close at 11am to facilitate these)***

***Fri 10 Feb Nursery closes at 11am for the Mid-Term break***

***Mon 13 - Fri 17 February - half term holiday for all children***

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## PARKING

We respectfully remind everyone that the Windsor Hill entrance is pedestrian only for those children and parents who live in the development. Please do not park on the footpath or particularly across any resident's driveways. We appreciate your co-operation with this matter.

## January Birthdays!



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

## Ditch the Dark Day



As part of the Sustrans Active Schools Travel programme we are holding a Ditch the Dark Day on Fri 13 January. This is a day where we are encouraging our pupils to **walk, scoot or cycle to school**. We would ask for a small donation of £1 per pupil, which will be used by the School's Eco Council for ECO school activities in the future.

## Warm clothes

Please remember to send a warm coat, a scarf, hat and gloves for your child. We do spend time playing outside every day, even in the cold and rain, so we would appreciate if your child is well prepared! If it is very wet we have waterproof coats and trousers for the children in the class. Our children are hoping for some snow this month!



## Skills we are learning in Nursery...LISTENING SKILLS



*We're always asking the children in Nursery to listen, but they don't always know how to do it. Like any other skill – like holding a pencil or counting, it can be taught and developed through demonstration and practice. In school we use pictures to help the children listen with the 3 key behaviours: Being still, looking at the person who is talking and thinking about what the other person has said. It is important for adults to demonstrate good listening at home as well – **making eye contact with their child and taking time to fully listen and concentrate**. Praise your child when they show any of the key behaviours to encourage good listening!*



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