

Waringstown P.S. Nursery News

May 2017



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!



TRIP TO Oxford Island

We have planned a trip to Lough Neagh Discovery Centre at Oxford Island on Tues 9 May. The children will be taking part in a Woodland Walk & have an opportunity to do a Mini-beast hunt and some bird watching. They will also complete a Craft activity in the education room. We will bring a packed lunch and eat it in the café area. Please note the later collection time of approx. 12.45pm on this day. The trip will cost £3 for each child and the rest will be subsidised with surplus money from April's Nursery fund.

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 Wednesday 10 May. The classes will take place during the nursery morning and children wear normal school uniform.

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 9 May - Trip to Oxford Island

Mon 29 May - School closed for Spring Bank Holiday

Thurs 1 June - Sports Day

Fri 9 June - School Fete

Weds 21 June - 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 in 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 Charlotte, Scott, Tommy and Nathan! 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!

SPONSORED CYCLE



A massive thank you to parents and friends for supporting our fundraising event before Easter.

The total amount raised to date is £548 and this money will go towards purchasing new outdoor resources, including a new outdoor stage area for our children to perform on!

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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