

Waringstown P.S. Nursery News - January 2019

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
- Animals who live in cold countries

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.

Recycling



We would really appreciate if you have any Christmas cards and Roses sweet wrappers from the holidays which could be recycled please would you send them in to the Nursery. We will put them to good use in our creative area. Thank you!

Students on Placement

*In the Nursery we have a number of Students on Placement – **Nakita Graham** helps us on Tuesdays and and **Vanessa Hermat** on Wednesdays and Thursdays. They will be working alongside the Nursery staff and supporting our children.*

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY-

If your child is starting pre-school or primary school in September 2019, you can apply for their place online from Wednesday 2 January 2019. The closing date and time for pre-school and primary one applications will be 12.00 midnight on Thursday 31

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*Tues 12 Feb- Thurs 14 Feb - half term parent interviews (please note the Nursery Unit will close at 11am to facilitate these)
Fri 15 Feb Nursery closes at 11am for the Mid-Term break*

Mon 18 - Fri 22 February - half term holiday for all children

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January Birthdays!

Happy birthday this month to Jamie, Jake and Lily-Anna! We celebrate birthdays on the **Friday following your child's birthday**. Look out for your child's photograph on our birthday board. You do not need to send a cake in to Nursery as your child will bake it in school!



Registration at 8.45am

Now that most children are settled and familiar with the routine of registration we are going to close the main nursery playroom door in the mornings. If you are dropping your child off we would respectfully ask that you open the door for your child, say a brief goodbye and close the door again. If you need to talk to a member of staff please can you make it brief or if necessary arrange an appointment via telephone to speak to the class teacher.

Warm clothes

Please remember to send a warm, waterproof coat, a scarf, hat and mittens 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!*