

May 2023

**Theme -**

Our theme this month is **'In the Garden'**.

This month we will have lots of fun exploring, observing and learning the names of insects and about how they grow. We will be watching the life cycle of a butterfly in 'real time' as we watch our caterpillars eat and grow in the classroom, before hopefully turning into beautiful butterflies!

**We will play and learn outdoors as much as possible this month, hopefully the better weather is returning... please remember to apply a high SPF sun cream to your child before he or she comes in to Nursery on warmer days. The children will be removing layers as the weather gets warmer, so please ensure that all of your child's belongings are named, to enable us to return these items to you at the end of the day. Please ensure your child is wearing appropriate footwear that will enable them to climb and run outside.**

**Stories** – We will be reading stories about our theme, like 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar', 'The Bad Tempered Ladybird', 'Superworm' and 'Slug needs a HUG!', as well as lots of non-fiction books about bugs! If you are visiting the Library please look out for stories on our theme to share with our child and keep a look out for little bugs and insects in the garden.

**Colour / Shape–**

Our colour this month is **purple**. Please encourage your child to look out for purple objects in their environment.

Our shape for this month is **diamond**.

**Scholastic Book Fair**

The Book Fair will be in school from **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May**.

Parents or Carers can browse and purchase books from the Book Fair at pick up times or on this Thursday evening, from 6.00pm – 7.00pm.

**Starting Primary School in September 2023**

By now you should know what school your child has been selected to attend in September. We have sent out a Seesaw message to ask you to let us know which school he/she will start, to enable us to begin our transition process for the children, which will include buddying children who will attend the same school up and passing on information about your child to their receiving school.

We are holding a **Parents' Information Workshop on Getting Ready to Learn** strand of **'Ages and Stages in your child's development'** and **'Preparing your child for Primary School'** in **Dunclug Primary School** on **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May at 7.00pm**. At this meeting we will give you advice on how to make your child's transition to Primary School as smooth as possible. The meeting will last no longer than an hour.

### **Sponsored Trike Ride -**

We are trying to raise some money towards making a play court in our playground, with a fenced off safety surface, for use for ball games.

We will be in touch via Seesaw with more information – please make every effort to help us raise as much money as possible! Many Thanks in advance, we really appreciate it.

### **Nursery Fund**

This term we are having lots of treats, including some visitors in to Nursery. We hope to be able to pay for these from our Nursery Fund, to ensure that all children will be able to share these experiences at no extra cost to parents. To facilitate this I would ask that outstanding amounts of contributions to Nursery Fund should be paid as soon as possible.

We rely heavily on this fund to enable us to provide the rich experiences and resources that will help your child to learn in a fun and motivating environment.

Nursery Fund can be paid either weekly - £5.00 per week, or termly - £50 for this term.

Thank you for your support.

### **Important Dates**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May, 8<sup>th</sup> May, Friday 26<sup>th</sup> , Monday 29<sup>th</sup>** – School Closed for Bank Holidays

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May** – Scholastic book fair

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May** – Parents' Meeting 7.00pm on 'Preparing your child for Primary School'



**Birthday Boys and Girls**

Happy Birthday all of these special boys and girls who will be celebrating their birthday this month ...

**Yellow Class** – Farrah

Jake

**Red Class** – Jack

Reuben

**Blue Class** – Bradley

Daniel

*Many Thanks for your continued support – Pamela Muir*

