



March 2021

### **Term 2 Restart**

Following the Executive's announcement last week, I am pleased to confirm that face to face teaching will resume for two weeks for children in our Nursery School on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Session times will continue as they were before Christmas, to allow for the enhanced cleaning that needs to be undertaken in an attempt to mitigate the risk of spread of COVID in our setting.

The Executive has stated that pre-school aged children will return to remote learning for the week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> March for one week before the Easter Holidays.

### **The plan for March provision is currently as follows –**

Week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> March – Remote Learning for all, supervised learning for key workers' children and vulnerable children in Nursery.

Weeks beginning 8<sup>th</sup> March and 15<sup>th</sup> March – Nursery School open for face to face teaching

Week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Remote Learning for all, supervised learning for key workers' children and vulnerable children in Nursery.

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April – All children at home for Easter Holidays

Week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> April – Nursery School will reopen for face to face teaching for Term 3.

### **Theme -**

Our theme for March and April is **Springtime on The Farm.**

We will be looking for signs of Spring in the environment and learning about baby animals and looking after living things. We will also be learning about Spring time on the farm ☺

**Stories** – This month we will be reading some information books on life cycles, as well as story books about baby animals and the farm. You could look out for stories online on our theme to share with our child and keep a look out for (hopefully) warmer weather, Spring flowers and baby animals in the fields!

### **Colour / Shape–**

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

Our shape for this month is Oval. There should be plenty of opportunity to explore this egg shape with all things Easter!

### **Parent / Teacher Meetings**

Your child's class teacher you a ring during the week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> March to check in with you about your child.

### **St. Patrick's Day**

Please note that Nursery will be open on St. Patrick's Day, 17<sup>th</sup> March, however the **Yellow Class Session will end at 11.15am on this day**, as there are no School Dinners available on this date.

### **Jo Jingles**

We will be welcoming Jo Jingles into Nursery again this month, and look forward to lots more fun as we explore rhythm and songs related to our new theme.

### **Restart Guidance**

I have been updating our Nursery COVID Risk Assessment and will be sending out some updated guidance about opening up for face to face teaching via Seesaw this week. In the meantime if you have any queries about it please feel free to send me a message through Seesaw.



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

### **Yellow Class – Freya**

**Kendra**

**Samira**

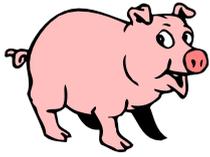
### **Red Class – Ciaran**

**Cillian**

**Conor**

**Finn**





## March Songs and Rhymes

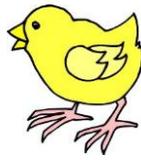
### Old MacDonald

Old Macdonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O  
 And on his farm he had a cow, E-I-E-I-O  
 With a "moo-moo" here and a "moo-moo" there  
 Here a "moo" there a "moo"  
 Everywhere a "moo-moo"  
 Old Macdonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O



### B-I-N-G-O

There was a farmer who had a dog,  
 And Bingo was his name-o.  
 B-I-N-G-O  
 B-I-N-G-O  
 B-I-N-G-O



### This Little Chick

This little chick is black.  
 She stands in the barnyard on a big haystack.  
 This little chick is brown.  
 She is feeling sad and wearing a frown.  
 This little chick is yellow  
 He's friends with the rooster; he's a handsome fellow.  
 This little chick is white  
 She dances and plays, oh what a sight.  
 This little chick is purple.  
 She spends her day running around in a circle.  
 This little chick is green.  
 She is the prettiest chick I've ever seen.  
 This little chick is blue.  
 She lays eggs for me and you.  
 All of these chicks live at the farm,  
 Out in the big red barn.

### Five little Ducks

Five little ducks  
 Went swimming one day  
 Over the hill and far away  
 Mother duck said  
 "Quack, quack, quack, quack."  
 But only four little ducks came back



Four little ducks.....

### Horsey, Horsey

Horsey, Horsey don't you stop  
 Just let your feet go clippity clop  
 Your tail goes swish and the wheels go round  
 Giddy up we're homeward bound.  
 Horsey, Horsey on your way  
 We've done the journey many a day  
 Your tail goes swish and the wheels go round  
 Giddy up we're homeward bound.



### This is the way...

This is the way we plant the hay  
 plant the hay, plant the hay  
 This is the way we plant the hay  
 so early in the morning.

This is the way we feed the chickens  
 Feed the chickens, feed the chickens  
 This is the way we feed the chickens  
 so early in the morning

This is the way we chop the wood  
 chop the wood, chop the wood  
 This is the way we chop the wood  
 so early in the morning.

This is the way we milk the cow...

