

# SUNNYLANDS NURSERY SCHOOL

## MARCH 2026 NEWS SHEET

THEME: SPRING AND NEW LIFE

COLOUR: GREEN

MATHS: COUNTING



# SPRING



Over the next two months we will be learning all about Spring and new life. We will be observing the changes that are occurring in the garden - our bulbs that we planted in Autumn are already a great talking point. In our Gardening Club we will be planting seeds for our vegetable patch and bulbs for our summer beds. We will be talking about how different things change and grow, and learning about baby animals. There will be a great emphasis on mathematical language and concepts this month, as we compare size and weight, and do lots of counting. We ask you to support us at home with these activities.

### HEALTH & SAFETY

As we continue to prioritize the safety and well-being of our children, we kindly remind all parents and guardians to park safely and responsibly when dropping off and picking up your children. Please avoid parking in no parking zones or blocking driveways. Double parking can create dangerous situations for children and other drivers so we would ask you to ensure your vehicle is parked properly. Always be vigilant and drive slowly around school and be aware of children and parents walking to and from school. To ease congestion at the front of School parents and guardians can park in Sunningdale Crescent at the back of Nursery and use the path to access School. Your co-operation is essential in ensuring the safety of our children and we thank you for your attention to this important matter.

### THINGS TO REMEMBER FOR SCHOOL

Please ensure that your child's jumper has their name clearly marked. This reduces the chance of mix-ups and helps us to return any lost items quickly. Parents are reminded that children should be wearing Velcro shoes to school every day. These are much easier for children to manage on their own especially when transitioning outside and more importantly increases their independence. We thank you in advance for your co-operation in this.

## **SCHOOL FUND**

Thank you to all parents/guardians who have paid their school fund. If you have not paid your school fund so far please do so as soon as possible. If you are unsure whether you are up to date with payments, please ask in the office.

## **LEARNING PACKS**

During our Parent Interviews you will receive a Learning Pack for your child. These packs are tailored to your child's age and learning stage and they are designed to complement activities we cover in School. We would encourage you to spend time with your child exploring the contents and have fun engaging with them. These will be available every week on a self-serve basis, your child's Teacher will have discussed developmental areas for you to focus on, and lots of Learning Packs are available to support all these areas. More information will follow.

## **BABY PHOTOS**

As part of our topic new life we will be looking at growth and how things change. Could we please have a photograph of your child as a baby for our display? This always leads to great discussion and lots of laughs as we look together at how the children have changed. Staff will maybe share their baby photos to add to the fun! (Please put the child's name on the back to help us identify the photo)



## **HEALTH VISITOR APPOINTMENTS - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>, Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March** **(Classes as usual)**

Timetabled Appointments will last 20 minutes. These have been allocated and shared on Seesaw, we have no more availability from the date and day you have been allocated and we would appreciate that everyone turns up for their appointment.

**PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS - Mrs McQuillan's class**  
**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

**PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS - Mrs Morrow's class**  
**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March**  
**(Classes as usual)**

Thank you for booking your Parent Interviews, we look forward to seeing you at your allotted times. Interviews will last 10 minutes. If anyone would prefer a telephone call, please speak to your Class Teacher.

**WORLD BOOK DAY - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**  
**(Classes as usual)**

We will be spending the day reading the children's favourite stories in class, this is also the day their book bags go home we would love you to share photos of your children reading at home, maybe find a funny or unusual place to read.

**(We are not dressing up).**

**RAZZLE, DAZZLE, DANCE - FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> March**  
**(Classes as usual)**

We will be continuing our Early Years Dance Programme for Schools with foundation stage skills in Dance and Physical Education.

**SONAL SPORTZ - TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> March**  
**(Classes as usual)**

More sports fun with Paul, working on all our sports Skills, individually and as a team.



**JO JINGLES - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March**

**(Classes as usual)**



Music, Singing & Movement!

Gillian and Jo will be in school for another session of fun and games to music - percussion instruments, nursery rhymes and action songs.

**COFFEE MORNING/AFTERNOON - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March**

**(Classes as usual)**



We will be holding a coffee morning for parents to call in and have a chat over tea/coffee and treats in the school staffroom.  
Morning : 9.15am - 10.15am

**SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON  
MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MARCH - School Development Day  
TUESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> - St Patrick's Day**

**WEE FOLK - Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March**

**(Classes as usual)**

This is a traditional folk group made up of two members of the Ulster Orchestra. They will be telling the children a story while they play the fiddle and bagpipes, and will introduce the children to a few other instruments.

**PHOTOGRAPHER - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

**(Classes as usual)**



We have managed to get the photographer rescheduled.  
Zelda will be in school to take individual photos of the children.

**STAY-AND-PLAY DAYS - Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March**  
**(Classes as usual)**

Stay-and-Play Days will be arranged for this week. This will give you an opportunity to see what we are doing in the classroom and how we are developing skills and knowledge in a specific curricular area. We will be focusing on developing early maths. Each day there will be 3 slots allocated to each class meaning that 3 parents can stay for 45 minutes, from 9.15am to 10am. Please note only one parent per child due to Health and Safety regulations. This sheet will go up in your child's cloakroom in a few weeks.

**EASTER HOLIDAYS**

**Nursery will be closed for Easter from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March  
and will re-open on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April.**

**CHILD PROTECTION/SAFEGUARDING**

Copies of our Child Protection Policy are available in the porch and a full version of the policy is available in the office. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to your child's Class Teacher.

**WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE**

If you misplace any news sheets, events list or school closure dates, you will find all the up-to-date information there.

**Website:** [www.sunnylandsnurseryschool.com](http://www.sunnylandsnurseryschool.com)

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