

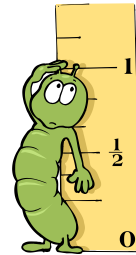
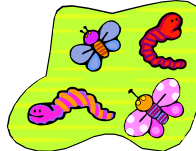
SUNNYLANDS NURSERY SCHOOL MAY NEWS SHEET

Theme: THE GARDEN/GROWING.

Interest: Caterpillars/Butterflies/Frogs

Colour: Rainbow

Maths: Size



This month we will be continuing our learning about the life cycles of the Butterfly and Frog. In school we will be observing the changes from Caterpillar to Butterfly and Tadpole to Frog. We will be doing lots of discussion about growth. In the garden we will be measuring how much our plants have grown. At home please use mathematical language associated with growth, comparing sizes of objects, etc.

SCHOOL FUND

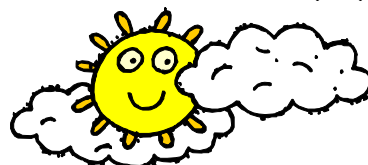
Thank you so much for your contributions to school fund throughout the year. Due to the recent rise in cost of living, we have decided that the school will cover school fund payments for May and June for those who are up to date with their payments so far. If you have already paid for May and June we will refund you as soon as possible.

However, despite numerous appeals we still have a FEW parents that have not paid any school fund.

If you still have outstanding money owed, we would really appreciate it if you could please contribute as soon as possible.

SUMMER WEATHER

Hopefully, we are due to get some good weather over the next couple of weeks. If it is a sunny day, please don't forget to put sun cream on your child before they come to school and a sun hat to protect them from the sun as they will be enjoying outdoor play. We also look forward to being able to open our **large outdoor sand tray** when the better weather arrives! Please remember **shoes with no laces** are best for playing in the sand tray.



Change of Clothes

If your child has been changed at school could you please return the change of clothes as we are currently running low on spare clothing. Thank you.

Tissues

Could we please have donations of one more box of tissues each from parents to see us through until the end of term. Thank you very much.



Primary School Teachers

P.1 Teachers are arranging to contact the Nursery over the next couple of weeks to have a chat with the staff about our children going to primary 1. Please inform your child's teacher of the name of your chosen Primary School.

SCHOOL TRANSITION REPORTS

It is hard to believe that we are talking about our children getting ready for big school. This has been another unsettled year for us all. The staff over the next couple of weeks will begin writing your children's transition reports. We have taken advice from our feeder primary schools and will be commenting on those areas that our primary 1 teachers have asked us to focus on. If you have any concerns about your child or are worried about anything please give your name to Mrs Malone in the office and Mrs Morrow and Mrs McQuillan will arrange to speak with you by phone. We can assure you we are very proud of all the children and how well they have coped at school this year.

BANK HOLIDAY - MONDAY 2nd MAY
(School closed)

KIDZ FARM - FRIDAY 6th MAY
(Classes as usual)



Interactive fun with a range of farm animals! Kidz Farm will be visiting the nursery school with a selection of rabbits, giant rabbits, guinea pigs, ducks, chickens, snakes, bearded dragons, hedgehogs, rats, tortoises, lambs and goats.

The children will all be able to feed, touch, groom and hold the animals.

JUMP, JIGGLE AND JIVE - MONDAYS 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th MAY
(Classes as usual)

We will be continuing our Early Years Dance Programme for Schools with the leading providers and experts for foundation stage skills in Dance and Physical Education in Northern Ireland - Jump Jiggle and Jive!



GARDENING CLUB - WEDNESDAY 25th MAY
(Classes as usual)

Mrs Johnston will be joined by Gareth and Anna to do some apple pressing.

JO JINGLES - THURSDAY 26th MAY
(Classes as usual)

Music, Singing & Movement! Jo Jingles will be visiting the school for a session of fun and games to music - the children will be using percussion instruments and singing nursery rhymes and action songs.



WEE CRITTERS - FRIDAY 27th MAY
(Classes as usual)

Allan the Explorer will be in school again with some more wee critters!



QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE - WEDNESDAY 1st JUNE
(Classes as usual)

Before the June Bank Holidays on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June, we will be celebrating Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee at Sunnylands Nursery School by having a tea party on Wednesday 1st June. The children can dress up as Kings and Queens for the day!



Carrickfergus Baby Bank Appeal



Before the end of the school year we are going to be doing one more collection for Carrickfergus Baby Bank, which provides baby essentials to local families. You were all so generous in our previous appeals and we are again looking for donations of clothing, especially hats, socks and pants, shampoo, bath wash, wipes and nappies. Please give your donations to your Class Teacher or put them in the collection bin in the foyer.

SCHOOL CLOSED:

- **MONDAY 2nd MAY**
BANK HOLIDAY
- **THURSDAY 2nd JUNE and FRIDAY 3rd JUNE**
BANK HOLIDAYS
- **FRIDAY 17th JUNE**
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Thank you for your continued support.

Please remember that if you have any concerns regarding Child Protection or any other matter, the procedures for reporting concerns or complaints are displayed in the hallway.