

SUNNYLANDS NURSERY SCHOOL

MARCH NEWS SHEET

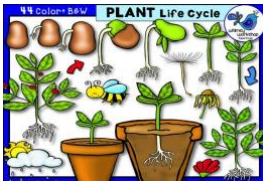
THEME: PEOPLE WHO HELP US /SPRING AND NEW LIFE

COLOUR: GREEN

MATHS: COUNTING



This month we are continuing our topic of People Who Help Us. Thank you to all the parents/grandparents who have volunteered to come to school and talk with the children about their jobs.



SPRING



We will also 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 lots of counting. We ask you to support us at home with these activities.

SCHOOL FUND

£3 weekly or £18 up until Easter

Thank you very much for paying your snack fund so far. If you are unsure if you are up to date with payments, please ask in the office.

CLOAKROOM BAGS

Please check your children's change of clothes bags on their pegs and replenish any clothes that they might need as the school is running out of our spare clothing. Thank you.

TOYS

Toys are still being brought into class and are causing lots of distraction. If you could ensure they are put straight into cubby holes or not brought to school at all that would be a big help. We appreciate your support with this.

MID-YEAR PARENT INTERVIEWS

Teachers will meet with parents from Wednesday 20th March. A timetable will be displayed in the hall shortly, please sign up to a convenient time. We would advise all parents to please make an appointment to meet with us.

This is great opportunity to hear how your child is progressing and we will give suggestions to help in the areas that we find a child may need a little support. It also allows you some time to ask us questions about your child.

Mrs Morrow will be available all day on Friday 22nd March.

Mrs Lyons will be available in the morning of Wednesday 20th March.

Mrs McQuillan will be available in the afternoon of Wednesday 20th March.

BABY PHOTOS

As part of our topic new life we will be looking at growth and how things change. Could we have a photograph of your child as a baby for our display. This always leads to great discussion and indeed 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)



GARDENING CLUB - March

We are looking for donations of children's old welly boots for our Gardening Club display. If you have any old children's welly boots that you no longer use, please bring them in to Nursery for the children to plant up this month.



FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS - Friday 15th and Friday 22nd March (Classes as usual)

Gemma from Mid and East Antrim Borough Council will be here for two more fundamental skills sessions with the morning children as part of our Happy Healthy Kids initiative.

WEE FOLK - Monday 18th March

(Classes as usual)

This is a traditional folk group from two members of the Ulster Orchestra, they will play music using the fiddle, bagpipes and introduce the children to few other instruments. They will use their instruments to help tell a traditional fairy tale.

COMMUNITY POLICE VISIT - Thursday 21st March

(Classes as usual)

Both morning and afternoon classes will have a visit from local Police Officers, who will talk to them about their work in the community, Stranger Danger and Road Safety.



WEE CRITTERS - Tuesday 26th March

(Classes as usual)

Wee Critters is a fully mobile and professional interactive animal education service which operates throughout Northern Ireland. The children will be joining Allan the Explorer as he takes them on a wild adventure and introduces them to his amazing animal friends along the way.

JO JINGLES - Friday 29th March

(Classes as usual)

Music, Singing & Movement!

A session of fun and games to music - percussion instruments, nursery rhymes and action songs.



COFFEE MORNING - Thursday 28th March 10:30-11:30

COFFEE AFTERNOON - Thursday 28th March 12:30-1:30

Thank you kindly to those parents who came in February for coffee and a chat. This month Mrs Morrow will be talking to you about introducing our new 'Getting Ready to Learn' learning packs that will be sent out after Easter. We would love it if you could drop in on the above date.



PHOTOGRAPHER

Zelda the photographer will be returning on **Wednesday 3rd April** to the school to take family portraits. This happens after the school day, any families interested can book a slot on the noticeboard when available.

WEBSITE

Our school website will be live from the end of this week. 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

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.

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Nursery will be closed for Easter from Monday 15th April and will re-open on Monday 29th April.

THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT