



Deans Nursery Class



March/April Newsletter

It's almost Easter break! Then we will enter our final term before summer!

Welcome to our New Families!	We would like to say a huge welcome to all our new families who have joined us this month! The children are settling well, and the team have enjoyed getting to know you all. We will have more children joining us after the Easter break, which will bring us to full capacity for our nursery.
Our Learning	Our learning this term has moved onto 'Space' focussing mostly on the planets and the solar system. All our learning is captured in our floor book. Please feel free to have a look at our floor book during drop off or pickup.
Staff update	<p>We would like to welcome Miss Cockburn to the team who has replaced Miss Dufton in nursery as our PSW. Miss Dufton has not moved far though; she has just moved into the main school. We wish Miss Dufton the best, although we do still see her every day in the corridor!</p> <p>We continue to have Miss Meldrum and Mrs Cronan, to help us with staff absence cover.</p>
Cloakroom	After the Easter break, we will have 55 children in nursery, which means the cloakroom remains very busy. A gentle reminder to use your child's red/blue nursery bag to store changes of clothes as this then allows adequate space for the children to access their coats. Could we please ask that any additional bags not be brought into nursery as this limits the access to the pegs for all the children.
Stay and Play	Our 'Colour Monster Stay and Play' was a great success! Thank you to all the families that made it along, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did! Do not worry if you didn't make it this time though as we will be planning another one soon.
Bookbug	<p>Our next session is this Monday, 23rd March, from 9.30-10am. If you would like to come along, please sign-up in the foyer!</p> <p>The following session will be Monday 27th April from 2-2.30pm</p>
Nursery Natter	Our next natter will be this Monday, 23rd March at 10.00am . This will directly follow our bookbug session. These natters give parents and carers the opportunity to come along and ask any questions they may have about the nursery setting, as well as give us views and opinions for the future. We love to include the thoughts and ideas of our parents and carers to improve the children's experience at nursery and various events coming up. It is also a great opportunity to meet other parents/carers and just have a chat over a cuppa and a biscuit! We would love to see you!

<p>Sponsored Fundraising Event</p>	<p>Each year, in nursery, we like to hold a fundraising event to help us raise money to buy valuable resources for the children. This year, we will be hosting our very own 'Highland Games'. This event will be held on <u>Thursday 23rd April at 9am</u> and we would love you to come along to support the children. Next week, sponsor forms will be sent home with the children. Please do not feel obliged to sponsor, every little does help though!</p>
<p>Transition to Primary 1</p>	<p>It feels like this is a long way off but transition activities for children, going to Primary 1 in August, will start in May. More information on the full transition schedule will be sent out separately. If you have any questions, please speak to a member of the team.</p>
<p>End of Summer term celebrations</p>	<p>When we return after the Easter break we will be entering the final term before nursery. It is always a busy term so we wanted to give you as much notice for a few dates for your diary. On <u>Thursday 18th June</u> we will be having our annual 'Fun Day' which is instead of a nursery trip. On <u>Thursday 25th June</u> we will be having our 'Leaver's Assembly' where we say goodbye to our children moving to Primary 1! More information will be sent out regarding these dates in our next newsletter.</p>
<p>Contacting the nursery</p>	<p>Contacting the nursery by email is the easiest way to contact us. However, if you are contacting us by phone, please note, our nursery phone line is currently not working. If you need to report an absence, please call 01506 283171 and select option 1, leaving a message with your child's name and reason for absence. If you need to speak with a member of staff, please call 01506 283171 and select option 2 to speak with someone in the school office.</p>
<p>Dates for your Diary</p>	<p>Monday 23rd March - Bookbug session at 9.30-10am Nursery Natter at 10am Thursday 26th March - Nursery finishes for Easter break Tuesday 14th April - Children and staff return from Easter break Thursday 26th April - Sponsored Event - Highland Games Monday 27th April - Stay and Play Session at 2.15pm Monday 4th May - HOLIDAY Thursday 7th May - INSERVICE DAY (nursery closed to children) Monday 18th May - HOLIDAY Thursday 18th June - Fun Day Thursday 25th June - Leavers' Assembly and last day of term for nursery children</p>