

St. Bernadette's Nursery Class

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Nursery Interests

Over the past couple of weeks we have been focusing on our 'growing' interest. The children have enjoyed a variety of activities such as measuring themselves, planting seeds, looking after plants and observing our tadpoles and caterpillars!

Please keep looking at our floorbook to see what activities the children have been doing and how our nursery interest is being developed. Please remember that the floorbooks can be viewed on a Monday in the Parents Room between 11.00-11.30am and 2.45-3.15pm.

Nursery Trip

As you are aware our end of term Nursery Trip has been arranged for Tuesday 26th June. We shall be visiting Blair Drummond Safari Park. This replaces our normal nursery sessions on the day. The bus will leave prompt at 9.15am and return to the school for 3.00pm. Please see Mrs Gall if you are unsure if you are a parent helper.



The cost of this trip is £8.50 per child and £11.50 for each adult.

Farewells

It is with a heavy heart that we will be saying goodbye to Miss Rooney on Friday the 25th May.

We wish her every success in her future endeavours.

Miss Rooney will be missed dearly by all staff and children.



Transition

Our transition programme from nursery to primary 1 will continue with activities such as shared playtimes on a weekly basis, classroom visits and attending other school events where appropriate. Children have now met their P5/6 buddy and have regular opportunities to interact with them during the nursery week. If you are unsure of who your child's buddy is please ask a member of staff.



You will have received your letter from Mrs Savage with induction dates for you and your child.

Monday 28th May (1.30pm-2.30pm) - Children have the opportunity to meet fellow pupils who will be entering into primary 1. Children will be taken to their classroom where a range of engaging activities will be on offer. Parents/carers will remain in the hall where further information regarding your child commencing primary 1 shall be given.

Monday 11th June (11.00am—1.00pm) - Children will meet their class teacher along with their fellow classmates again. At 11.30am you and your child will have the chance to sample the school lunch menu (which you will pre-order on 28.05.18). After lunch children will have the opportunity to play outdoors with their buddy.

Warmer Weather

It is against Falkirk Council Policy for staff to administer sun cream. If sunnier climates return, please ensure your child is adequately prepared before the session.

Health Checks

Please remember it is Falkirk Council Policy that a child should not return to school or nursery until they are 48 hours clear of any sickness / diarrhoea illness.

Regular checks for Head Lice are always recommended.



We value your views and any suggestions / comments are always welcome.

Nursery Sports Day

Nursery Sports Day will take place on Friday 15th June at **10.30am and 2.00pm** at the **Muga Pitch** or in the **gym hall (weather dependent)**. Please dress your child in comfortable clothing suitable for sporting activities.



Nursery sessions will start at the normal time and if you wish to support your child, please return at the starting time outlined above.

Graduation Ceremony

We would like to invite you to this nursery celebration on Friday 22nd June at **10.30am and 2.00pm** in the school hall. Refreshments will be served after the ceremony and if you wish to donate baking, this will be gratefully received when you drop your child off at the beginning of the nursery session.



Toys to Nursery

Please encourage your child to leave all toys at home. We have lots of toys for your children to play with in the nursery and sometimes toys can be mistaken for nursery toys or other children's toys and staff cannot be held responsible if your child's toys go missing.

Nursery Snack and Activity Money

Snack and Activity Money is **£2.50** a week. The **£2** goes towards buying weekly snacks, craft materials, new nursery resources and outings/trips.

The remaining **50p** goes towards the Little Tiger Cubs Programme that the children take part in every Monday with Miss Risk.

You will find your child's money bag with their name on it in their nursery bag in the cloak room. Once you have put the money in the money bag we ask that you put it in the **black box** which is kept in the cloakroom where you sign your child in.

Please remember that we can no longer accept paper five and ten pound notes.

Nursery Garden

The nursery garden is currently being developed. We have had our artificial grass laid and are hoping to develop other areas in the garden over the next few months. Staff will consult with children, parent's and colleagues about any ideas they may have.

Please write down any ideas and pass this to a member of staff as your contributions and ideas are always valued.

Cloakroom

As our nursery numbers have increased the cloakroom is now extremely busy. We ask that all children have their names on their belongings especially their shoes and jumpers to stop any confusion. Please speak to Mrs Kinnaird if you wish your child's name to be written on their nursery shoes.

Please ensure that your child has a change of clothes in their nursery bag as our spare clothes supply is running low.

The nursery can become very busy during drop off and pick up times and for your child's safety we ask that **all** siblings remain in the cloakroom area during these busy times.

Nursery Tea Towel

As some of you may remember from last year we had a nursery tea towel printed at the end of the year. All children draw a self-portrait which is then sent to a printing company and turned into a tea towel.

We had many comments from parents last year who said it was a lovely reminder of the children that were in the nursery with their child.

The cost of this tea towel is £5 per towel and you can purchase as many tea towel as you wish.

If you wish to purchase a tea towel please speak to Mrs Kinnaird.

Dates for your diary

Monday 28th May—First primary 1 transition for St. Bernadette's Primary School

Monday 11th June— Second primary 1 transition for St. Bernadette's Primary School

Friday 15th June—Nursery Sports Day

Friday 22nd June—Nursery Graduation

Tuesday 26th June—Nursery Safari Trip



Learning Taking Place



We planted runner beans!
We knew we had to plant
them in the soil and give
them a drink of water each
day. Look at the size of them
now!



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Here are some pictures of us with Ms Trimmer's Unicorn Princess!



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Our caterpillars have turned into their chrysalis! The children have been watching them each day to see what happens during the life cycle of a caterpillar.

Our tadpoles are starting to change.

Children are shown the tadpoles on a daily basis to allow them to see changes.



We have been measuring different parts of our body to see how they grow. We are aware that everyone has similarities and differences.

