

St. Bernadette's Nursery Class



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Signing into nursery

Can all children please be signed into the nursery when they are dropped off. Please write down who is collecting them and what time they will be collected at. This is to ensure their safety.

Clothing

Please ensure your child has at least one change of clothes in their nursery bag incase they need changed during the nursery session.

Can all clothing please have your child's name clearly labelled on their clothes items.

Under the Trees

This Thursday (2/3/23) is our last session with Tamara from Under the Trees. We have loved these sessions but unfortunately the funding has run out for this.

Staff will continue to go on local walks around the community and will still visit the Orphan Land, so please ensure that your child's waterproof clothing is always available at nursery so they can participate in these visits.



Staffing

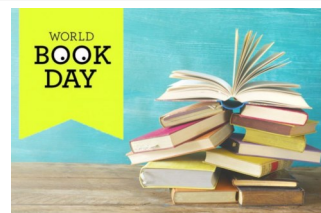
Mrs Morrison-Love is still absent and will not be returning to St. Bernadette's ELC Class. We wish her all the best in the future.

The children in the Red Group will remain in the Red Group, and the Key Workers who have been overseeing them will continue to do so. If you have any questions about this please speak to Mrs Kinnaird.

World Book Day

Thursday 2nd of March is World Book Day! Children are welcome to wear their pyjamas to nursery, and bring their favourite story to share with their friends. Please make sure your child's name is somewhere on their book so this can be returned at the end of the day.

We will be reading stories throughout the day as well as at our visit to the forest.



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.



Outdoor Learning

At St. Bernadette's ELC Class we pride ourselves on being an outdoor nursery and try to provide our children with access to outdoors for most of the session. We ask that all children have appropriate outdoor clothing as we are out in **ALL** weathers – Wellington boots, waterproof jacket and waterproof trousers - which can be left at nursery.

If your child is unwell the best place for them is at home. We cannot ensure children stay inside when recovering from illness as we are an outdoor nursery and children spend a large part of their day outdoors.

If your child is not well enough to go outdoors, then they should not be in nursery.



Online Learning Journals

Every child now has their own online learning journal. Staff will update this with significant observations of your child. There is a section on the left hand side that says 'parent contribution'. Please feel free to add pictures onto your child's online journal so we can what they have been doing at home.

Star Moment

+ Parent Contribution

Nursery Home Corner

We are trying to enhance our home corner at the moment and are looking for any donations of lace table cloths, brass items, small silver plates and tea sets, alarm clock, an old fashioned phone, typewriter, magazines and newspapers.

We are running low on baby doll clothes and accessories

Any interesting objects that are unbreakable would be useful too.



Nursery Garden Development

We are working hard to develop our nursery garden.

We have built a stage and have created a music wall for children to perform on. We have also created a 'loose parts den'.

We have built planters to develop the children's interest in planting and growing but we need your help.

Any donations of soil, seeds and plants would be greatly appreciated.

Important dates

Tuesday 28th Feb - Nursery closed for school strike

Wednesday 1st March - Nursery closed for school strike

Monday 3rd April—Nursery closed for Easter Holidays

Monday 17th April—Nursery reopens

Friday 28th April—Nursery closed for in-service day

Monday 1st May—Nursery closed for holiday

Monday 8th May—Nursery closed for Kings Coronation

Friday 30th June—Nursery closes for Summer holidays



Staff Training

The Pre School Eye Screening Health Team will be in on Monday 20th March to do pre-school orthoptic vision screening which checks for reduced vision in one or both eyes. The consent forms will be given out when they come in the post.

More information can be found following the below link

[Children's eye screening - Tests and treatments | NHS in-form](#)

Staff Training

Mrs Honeyman and Mrs Armstrong have now done their Food Allergen Training course.

Mrs MacLean and Mrs Rankin have recently completed their Paediatric First Aid Course.

Mrs Kinnaird has started her SVQ in 'Promoting the Care, Learning and Development of Children with Additional Requirements in Partnerships with Their Families, and in Early Education Settings.'

Stay and Play

We would like to invite you in for a 'Stay and Play' on Tuesday the 14th of March or Wednesday the 15th of March from 9.00am—9.45am.

If you can't make any of these dates please speak to a member of staff and we will arrange another date for you to come in.

Wheelie Wednesday

Staff have been discussing starting 'Wheelie Wednesday' after it was suggested in our 'two stars and a wish'. This will start back up after the Easter Holidays.

