

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.

Library visits

After we return from the Easter Holiday, we will be visiting the local library. Each group will take it in turns to go with their key worker.



Children should come to the nursery as normal and staff will get them ready to go to the library once all the children are in and settled.

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 still have cases of Chickenpox being reported in the nursery. Please be mindful about sending your child when they are unwell as they can be unwell before their spots appear.

Staff Training

Mrs Kinnaird and Mrs Armstrong have Sighted Guide Training on Thursday to support those with visual impairments.



Clothing

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

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

Walks around the community

Staff will be going on local walks around the community over the next few weeks to look for 'signs of Spring', so please ensure your child has waterproof clothes and wellies that can be kept at nursery to allow them to participate in these walks.



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.



Makaton

The children will be introduced to Makaton over the next few weeks.

Makaton is a unique language programme that uses symbols, signs and speech to enable people to communicate. It supports the development of essential communication skills such as attention and listening, comprehension, memory, recall and organisation of language and expression.

Ask your child if they can remember the signs we learned on Wednesday ...



Nursery Trip

We have arranged to go to Play Bugs Soft Play in Lithgow on Friday 2nd of June for our Summer outing. The children should come to nursery as usual on this day. The bus will leave the nursery at 9.30am and will come back for us at 12.15pm. When children come back they will have their lunch as normal.

The cost of this is £9 per child and should be handed into the nursery staff before the 3rd of May.

Garden stage

A massive thank you to Mrs Rankin's Dad for helping to build our stage in the garden! The children are enjoying this area and love to sing and dance on the stage.



Ducklings

The children have been talking about baby animals and Mrs Armstrong knows Andrea Osborne who owns Andrea Osborne Photography. Andrea is bringing in ducklings on Friday and will be taking photographs of the children during the experience.

The children will have the opportunity to hold the ducklings, feed the ducklings and learn about them.

Your child does not need to wear nursery uniform on Friday, they can wear clothes you wish them to be photographed in.

Andrea will then create an online gallery for parents to view and if you wish to purchase any of these this can also be done, but there is no obligation to purchase any of these.



Climbing frame

A massive thank you to Mrs Rankin's Dad and Mrs Kinnaid's Dad for helping to build our climbing frame! The children are loving this!



Nursery Garden Development

Thank you so much to those who have donated seeds, bulbs, soil and flowers to help develop our nursery garden.

We would like to give a big thank you to Hazel at ASDA Stenhousemuir who donated a number of plants and flowers to our garden



We would like to thank Torwood Garden Centre and Klondyke Garden Centre who kindly donated a mixture of seeds to help us explore planting and growing with the children in the nursery.



We have been helping to plant and look after these in our garden

Nursery Hoodies

Nursery hoodies can be ordered by messaging Make your Marque on Facebook for £14.95 each.

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Important dates

Friday 24th March— Ducking experience

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 2nd June—Nursery trip to Play Bugs

Friday 16th June—Sports day (1.00pm)

Monday 26th June—Moving on celebration (1.00pm)

Friday 30th June—Nursery closes for Summer holidays



Stay and Play

It was lovely to see so many of you for our Stay and Play earlier this month.

Please remember if you can't make any of the dates proposed by staff, please just speak to a member of staff who will arrange another day you can come in :)

