



MAY NURSERY NEWS

Our theme for the month of May will be: BUGS AND BEASTS

We will be talking about minibeasts – some of which we can find outside! There will also be some live caterpillars in nursery so that the children will be able to observe the life cycle of a butterfly.

Our colour will be **PURPLE**

TOGETHER TIME

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT & MOVEMENT

- To reinforce good pencil grip, scissor grip and control at home. Please continue to encourage cutting and drawing/painting.

THE WORLD AROUND US

- When he/she is tidying up, encourage your child to think about where and how items will fit into drawers, boxes etc. to develop spatial awareness and problem solving.

THE ARTS

- Use a range of junk, collage and pliable materials to create minibeasts.
- Encourage the use of small world toys e.g. bugs and farm animals, and build homes for them with building blocks, Lego, junk boxes etc.

EARLY MATHEMATICAL EXPERIENCES

- Encourage the use of a range of materials to create patterns and develop awareness of sequencing and its associated language (first, then, next, after, before) e.g. using beads to create a repeating pattern.

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

- To further develop awareness of written language, encourage mark-making using chalk in the garden.
- Encourage your child to recognise print in the environment by pointing out familiar letters and numbers.



TERM 3 SPECIAL EVENTS

We are looking forward to having visits, from Gillian and Jo Jingles, Liza from Poppin Pilates and Kidz Petting Farm.

We will also be having professional photographer and parent, Mr Mark Barnes along to take individual photographs of the children.



HATS, SUMMER UNIFORM AND SUNCREAM

As the weather is getting better and the children are enjoying more outdoor play, you may wish to send in a sunhat. Please ensure your child's name is on their sunhat. The children may wear grey, navy or black shorts and green gingham summer dresses, if you wish.

If the weather becomes hot enough please apply sun cream before your child comes to nursery. If required we can apply your child's sun cream later in the day, provided you leave a named bottle of sun cream with us. We are unable to apply anyone else's sun cream to your child due to the risk of allergies.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 1st May - Closed for May Day
- Tuesday 2nd May - Closed for Staff Development
- Monday 8th May - Closed: Coronation of King Charles III
- *Friday 12th May - Friday 19th May - Nursery will finish at 1pm each day to accommodate our new intake for September 2023. *Except Thursday 18th May
- Thursday 18th May- Closed: School being used as a polling station
- Wednesday 24th May- Photographer
- Thursday 25th May- Play Date Trip with Acorn Integrated Nursery Unit to Whiteabbey Presbyterian Church Halls. Gillian and Jo Jingles will be visiting us there!
- Monday 29th May – Closed for Spring Bank Holiday
- Thursday 1st June and Friday 2nd June - Closed for Staff Development



**These are just some of the rhymes and
songs that we like to sing in nursery.
Perhaps you may like to practise them with
your child at home.**

**5 little speckled Frogs
Sat on a speckled log
Eating some most delicious bugs
Yum, yum
One jumped into the pool
Where it was nice and cool
Then there were 4 green speckled
frogs**

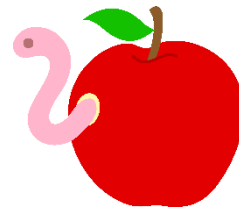
4 little speckled frogs...

**There's a worm at the bottom of
my garden,
And his name is Wiggly Woo.
There's a worm at the bottom of
my garden,
And all that he can do...**

**...is wriggle all day and wriggle all
night,**

**Whatever else the people do say,
There's a worm at the bottom of
my garden,**

And his name is Wiggly Woo!



Here is a beehive,

Where are the bees?

Hidden away where nobody sees,

Soon they come creepin'

Out of the hive

1, 2, 3, 4, 5 buzzzz!





**TINY CATERPILLAR (she'll be
coming round the mountain)**

**There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf,
wiggle, wiggle,**

**There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf,
wiggle, wiggle,**

**There's a tiny caterpillar, a tiny
caterpillar**

A tiny caterpillar on a leaf

**He will eat the leaves till he's full,
munch, munch**

**A cocoon is what he's spinning for
his home, spin, spin**

**Then he'll be a butterfly and fly
away, flap, flap**

**So the tiny caterpillar went like
this- wiggle wiggle, munch munch,
spin spin, flap flap**