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# JUNE NURSERY NEWS

Another year is nearly at an end but the children are continuing to develop and refine skills acquired during their time in nursery. I'm sure you will agree that it is so rewarding to see the super progress of your child. We encourage you to continue to reinforce and promote your child's learning and valuable self-help skills at home, during the summer break, in preparation for P1. Please take time to chat to your child about 'big school' throughout the summer.

It has been a pleasure getting to know the children, parents, siblings and all those involved in dropping

off and picking up during the year. We wish all the children a smooth transition to P1.



Have a great summer!

# **THEMES**

Our themes for the month of JUNE are 'SEALIFE/THE SEASIDE' and 'STARTING SCHOOL'











#### TOGETHER TIME

#### PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

• Continue to practise getting dressed and undressed (focusing on buttons, zips etc.), use scissors, a range of writing tools and smaller equipment. This will not only promote independence but will improve the strength and dexterity of your child's fingers in readiness for forming letters and numbers in preparation for P1.

#### THE ARTS

Make use of a range of junk material e.g. tubes, boxes, bottle tops, encouraging your child to think about creating buildings, vehicles, people, animals or robots.

#### **EARLY MATHEMATICAL EXPERIENCES**

- Use different types of construction equipment in combination (e.g. Lego, wooden blocks) to develop awareness of shape and space.
- Talk about shapes and numbers in the environment, both 2D and 3D, e.g. traffic signs, shapes of food items, buildings, numbers on signs and registration plates.
- Collect stones and shells to sort and count.

#### LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

- Perhaps you could visit the library during the summer.
- Remember to keep reading to your child. Encourage them to retell the story in their own words.
- Maybe you could make props and act out favourite stories.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 29th May: Closed for Bank Holiday

Thursday 1st June & Friday 2nd June: Closed for Staff Development

Monday 12th (weather permitting) or Tuesday 13th June (if Monday was too wet): NU Sports Day fun-come along with the children at 9 am and participate in lots of fun activities. Mr McCluskey will present the children with medals at approx. 9:45 and then you can head on. Children will finish at the usual time.

Thursday 15th June: Pre-school Transition Reports sent home

Tuesday 20th June: Poppin Pilates

Monday 26th June: Mrs Keaveney's class- farewell stay and play at 1pm. Join us for one final time!



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Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June: **Mrs Wylie's class-** farewell stay and play at 1pm. Join us for one final time!



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Thursday 29th June: Last day of nursery- non uniform, party day. Kidz Petting Farm will be visiting.

Nursery will finish at 11:30

# You are my Sunshine!

You are my sunshine, my only sunshine!

You make me happy when skies are grey.

You'll never know dear how much I love you!

Please don't take my sunshine away!



# Mr Sun

Oh Mr Sun, Sun, Mr Golden Sun,

Please shine down on me.

Oh Mr Sun, Sun, Mr Golden Sun,

Hiding behind the tree.

Oh, these little children are asking uou.

Oh Mr Sun, Sun, Mr Golden Sun,

Please shine down on me.

# Scoops on My Ice Cream Cone

Five scoops on my ice cream cone.

Five scoops looking oh so yummy.

The sun was high on this hot summer day,

and I ate a scoop right away.

Four scoops on my ice cream cone.

Four scoops looking oh so yummy.

The sun was high on this hot summer day,

and I ate a scoop right away.

(count down to zero scoops)

Zero scoops on my ice cream cone.

So then I ate up all the cone. Yum!



Sand between your fingers

Sand between your toes

Sand in your ears

Sand up your nose!

Sand in your sandwiches

Sand on your bananas

Sand in your bed at night

Sand in your pyjamas!

Sand in your sandals

Sand in your hair

Sand in your pants

Sand everywhere!



# Lemonade Crunchy Ice!

Lemonade Crunchy Ice! (clap high, clap low)

Beat it once, beat it twice (clap high, clap low)

Lemonade Crunchy Ice! (clap high, clap low)

Beat it once, beat it twice (clap high, clap low)

Turn around, touch the ground, freeze!

Get faster and then slower