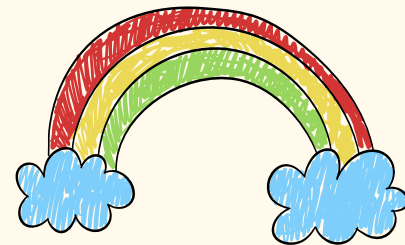


TWECHAR EARLY YEARS CENTRE



DATE : AUGUST 2023

WELCOME EVERYBODY

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our first newsletter of 2023-24.

We would like to pass on our thanks for the lovely cards and gifts we received from children and families.

We hope the Primary 1's and the new children who have joined us are settling well.

Over the past couple of months, we have said goodbye to Gordon and Nichola, who have moved on to new adventures.

We are glad to announce the appointment of Shannon and Jodie who have joined us - welcome to the team!

We are looking to make some changes on how we document your child's learning and Mrs Smith will be consulting with all parents over the coming weeks. Annual Data Checks and EV3 forms will be sent this week and we kindly ask that you return these promptly. This will ensure we have the most up to date information and will allow your child to explore the local community.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Macmillan coffee morning – info to follow

September Weekend –

Friday 22nd and Monday 25th September (closed)

Parents meetings – w/c 2nd October

In-service Day – Friday 13th October (closed)

Halloween party – 1st November

Stay and Play – w/c 6th November

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(you will find newsletters, holidays, lunch menus and more here)

TREAT FUND

We kindly ask that parents contribute towards our Treat Fund, £2 per week. We use this for snacks, baking, outings and for special events and parties.

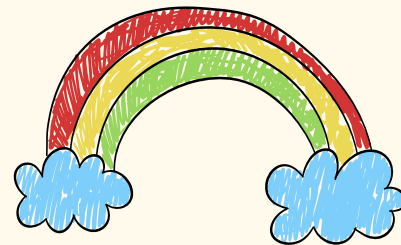
E.g. Easter/ Halloween/ Christmas/Graduation

PERSONAL BELONGINGS

We kindly ask that all your child's belongings are clearly labelled to ensure items can be found with ease. At the Nursery, every child has their own black drawstring bag which stays on their peg and can hold such items. Please pack a change of clothes and footwear appropriate to weather conditions, and nappies/pull-up's and wipes if applicable. We would greatly appreciate any clothes that you no longer use and would like to donate to the Nursery for spares.



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WHAT ARE WE LEARNING?

The main focus of planned learning and teaching will

cover the following areas of the curriculum:

- Health and Wellbeing
- Literacy and English
- Numeracy and Maths

The learning and teaching experiences will be tailored to meet children's interests, therefore ensuring that planning is responsive.

Health and Wellbeing

We have been concentrating on routines, personal hygiene, promoting independence and responsibility.

Over the next few weeks, the children will become familiar with our Values and help to identify key responsibilities with

the help of Fraser Bear. We will also be looking at feelings and have recently introduced the story of The Colour Monster to help children express how they are feeling.

Literacy and English

The Talk4Writing and Word Aware programmes will be introduced to the children. These are both successful and well-established programmes which aim to establish strong foundations in storytelling and story writing.

Numeracy and Maths

The focus over the next few weeks is to build on the children's existing knowledge of numbers and counting.

We will be practicing counting forwards and backwards.

ABSENSES

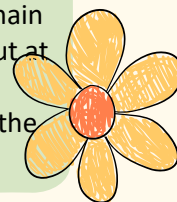
If your child is going to be absent, can parents/carers please ensure that they contact the nursery/Kerry in the office by 9.30am. If we do not hear from you, we will make contact after 9.30am and follow the absence policy.

SAFETY FIRST

If someone else is collecting your child, please let us know and we can add them to the list of authorised people to do so. It is important that whoever collects your child, has the password given at enrollment and I.D.

Please see the table as you enter the main cloakroom and sign your child in and out at the start and end of each session.

Remember to close the black gates in the playground.



LENDING LIBRARY

You will find our lending library at the front door of the Nursery. Please feel free to choose a book with your child to take home and sign the book in/out.

New library bags will be given out soon to our new children.

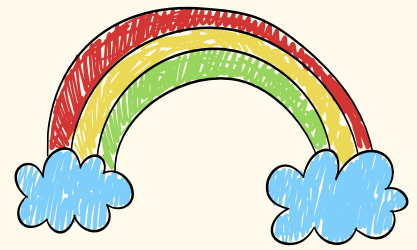
BIRTHDAY CAKES

You may hand a cake in for your child's birthday, if you wish. This must not contain nuts (traces are OK).





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THE DAISY ROOM (2-3)

Our groups are...

Bumblebees – Arran

Butterflies – Natalie

Dragonflies – Kathleen

Ladybirds – Kristina



In the Daisy Room, we have a Parents Noticeboard which has information about what the children have been exploring and learning about each day. To keep you informed about your child's care needs, we have daily diaries that go home each night.

Our cloakroom is now situated as you enter The Daisy Room. We kindly ask that you bring wellies and waterproofs to Nursery as we regularly explore the outdoors and local greenspaces. Over the last few weeks, we have been learning about mini beasts. We went on a mini beast hunt and noticed butterflies on the walk to the garden. We found ladybirds, spiders, slugs, and bumblebees too and thoroughly enjoyed it!



THE SUNBEAM ROOM (3-5)

Our groups are...

Star – Alison Rainbow – Debbie Jupiter – Judith

Sun – Shannon Moon – Sandra



In the Sunbeam Room, we have introduced a welcome time each day. During this time the children come together to check in and talk about their feelings. This links to our story of the month 'The Colour Monster'.

We have been exploring the local community and having fun at the swing park, as you can see! If you are free, please let us know, as you are more than welcome to join us!



Your child's keyworker may have changed now we are on 2023-24 session, please ask if you are unsure.