

Glendermott Nursery Unit Newsletter

October 2017

Dear Parents

It is time once again to let you know what is happening in the Nursery! Each week your child will have a reward chart for dinner if they get 4/5 stamps they will be able to pick a prize from the box. So we should be seeing lots of clean plates!!!!

Settling-In

The children have settled well and are already enjoying dinner with their friends. This routine takes time to develop and can be hard work for the children. Sometimes it is just because they are tired at this time of the day and need a little helping hand to keep going.

Learning in the Nursery

During October our learning will be about 'Autumn' and 'Halloween'. The children will be involved in lots of activities both inside and outside which will make them aware of the signs of Autumn as well as being engaged in many activities related to the celebration of Halloween. Talk to your child about the changes that happen in Autumn. If you go to the park or even out to play in the garden, there is lots to see and do. I have also included a sheet with some language tips for October.

School website lots of photographs of the children learning through play.

Library

Your child will soon visit the school library once a week. Books will be sent home on Tuesdays so parents should return books to the nursery every Monday.

Fancy Dress

On Friday the 27th October the children can come to school in fancy dress. Every year we have children who are not keen to dress up and that is fine. They will still enjoy the party with their friends.

Halloween Break

The children will get their Halloween holidays on Friday the 27th October at 11.30 am they will return to school on Thursday 2nd November.

Reminders

- Please ensure spare clothes are returned promptly to nursery (when sent home after an accident).
- Children need to bring their coats to nursery every day. We expect the children to be able to hang their coat up independently over the next few weeks so please encourage them to practise this routine every morning.
- Please check your child's pigeon hole daily for important letters from staff/school and also your child's creative work/ belongings.
- We have had to write names on children's jumpers over the past few weeks. It is important that you put names on all jumpers and belongings. We cannot guarantee that lost jumpers (without names) will be found.

Colour

We have been observing the children's knowledge of colours and playing games that encourage and develop the language of colour. We have noticed that the most challenging colours are black, grey and brown.

Shape

We have also been finding out about the children's knowledge of basic shapes. As always shapes such as the triangle and star are easier to recognize than the square and the rectangle. Our focus shape for October is the circle/triangle. Help your child to find circles and other shapes at home.

**Happy Birthday to
Annie, Will, Ollie, Caoimhin**

Nursery Times

Parents interviews will be on Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th October all Nursery children will finish at 12.00pm on these two days

A letter will be given out later regarding times etc.

Reminder -Save the Date!

Nursery Christmas Show-Thursday
14th December @ 9.30am

This monthly newsletter is designed to keep parents informed. A copy will also be displayed on the Nursery Notice board for your reference. Please also refer to your Parent Handbook (given out in June).

