

## Nursery Newsletter - Spring Term

Since the Easter holidays we have been enjoying the new learning opportunities that Spring brings.

We have been observing the changes in our tadpoles, the new growth and spring flowers in the garden and the sparrows nesting outside the nursery. The children have planted a variety of seeds which they are currently looking after before taking them home, later this term.

We also took part in the school's "Health Week" where we focussed on our own bodies and what we needed in order to keep healthy. We bought vegetables from the "Toot for Fruit" van which we used to make soup, and then enjoyed eating in the nursery garden. Both classes took part in KIC dancing where everyone joined in enthusiastically, including the staff!

Last week some of the afternoon children were keen to build a "Bug Hotel" for the mini-beasts that live in our garden. The planning and construction of this involved a great many interesting discussions and use of problem-solving skills to eventually build a structure that everyone was happy with. This week we are looking forward to welcoming some special "People Who Help Us" visitors.

The remaining weeks of term will be very busy with a variety of events, detailed below. Where appropriate, we will distribute specific information.



### Nursery Questionnaire

Thank you to all parents and carers who completed these for us. The information is really useful in helping us to build on our successes, and to plan for improvement, so that we can offer the best possible service to our families. We will also use the results to inform a Midlothian authority survey, being conducted at the moment.

7th June	AM class trip to Glen, within normal nursery times Informal visit for pre-school pupils, with their parent/carer, to meet P1 teacher, 11.35 - 12.25
8th June	"Meet the Teacher" school event, including next year's P1, within nursery hours for AM children, 9.00 - 10.30 am for PM pupils P1 Induction Talk for parent /carers in the hall, 9.15 - 10.15 (refreshments available until 10.30)
12th June	PM class trip Glen, within normal nursery times Pre-school progress reports to parent/carers
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> June	"Stay and Play" sessions 8.30 - 9.00am and 12.25- 1.00 pm
14th June	Sponsored obstacle course/sports day (weather permitting). Parent/carers to arrive at 10.15am or 2.00pm
20 <sup>th</sup> June	P1/PM Nursery class, joint activities within normal nursery hours
21st June	Alternative date for 14 <sup>th</sup> June arrangements
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	P1/AM Nursery class, joint activities within normal nursery hours
26th June	"Moving On" celebration. Parent/carers to arrive 11.00am or 3.00pm
27th June	Summer Trip to 5 Sisters Zoo, bus leaving 9.00am and returning 3.00pm.
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Final day in our current nursery for all our pupils. Everyone invited to dress down.
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Farewell Piper - If Nursery parents wish, they can collect their nursery children at 3.00pm and go round to the top area exit door to see the piped procession.



We are all looking forward to working with you and the children, during our final weeks in our present nursery.

**The  
Nursery  
Team**