# St. Clare's Abbey Nursery unit June 2018 Newsletter



Welcome to our last Newsletter for the academic year 2017 - 2018. We are sure you will agree that the year has flown.

It has been our privilege and great pleasure to have had the year with your children. We have seen them come in, perhaps a little apprehensively and then, begin to become comfortable and confident in the Nursery surroundings. Each child has come in at his or her own level and has grown in ability and confidence throughout the year. Each child had so much to offer and contribute to their group and we genuinely value and cherish each one.

Our hopes are for a smooth transition to Primary One in the new academic year. The Primary One teachers from our school will visit their prospective pupils during June.

Our children are currently having glimpses of what happens in Primary One via our technology. We hope this will encourage a smooth transition to Primary school.

You will be hearing more details from the Primary school about the Primary One inductions.

If your child is going to transfer to another school, please let us know the name of your child's new school so that we can forward the end of year Transition form.

## Calling all Dads

We have previously given you notice that we would love some Dads to come in to read a story just before home time. Now, after all that practice at home we hope to hear from many volunteers. We want to mark Father's Day by welcoming our Dads as good reading role models during the week  $11^{th}$  -  $15^{th}$  June.

We have some volunteers already and the children are looking forward to this.

Please contact any member of the Nursery team if you wish to take part.

## Visits to the Nursery

Our sincere thanks go to all of those who enriched the children's experience of "People Who Help Us" during May.

- Nurse Clare
- Mr Henry The Paramedic
- Lorcan and Cian's Mums and babies Meabh and Ava
- Daniel's Mum and Dad (Aislin and Daniel) for organising our experience of the Warrenpoint Harbour
- Captain Steve for our visit to Seatruck Clipper Point
- Karolina's Mum for the music
- Laoimh's Mum the Dentist

Thank you also to Lily Hand Meleady's Daddy for his generosity in including us in "A Happy Footprint of Carbon - Celebrating Life". He has been busy drilling holes in the children's wellies and shoes and planting all month in time for our graduation. Now every Nursery child will have their own tree to plant and care for. You can access more information on Mr Meleady's website - www.ahfoc.org

### June Events

Although we are in our final few weeks, June will be extremely busy for the Nursery children.

- Nursery Sports Day will take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> June. Plenty of time to get into training!
- Joint Nursery Sponsored Walk for both morning and afternoon children on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 9.00am. The walk will finish by 10am. Mums, Dads, Grandparents – all welcome. Funds raised will go towards new Nursery outdoor equipment
- Our Nursery Graduation Celebration will take place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June. There will be 2 sessions - one for the morning group and one for the afternoon group. Times to be confirmed
- Nursery children will finish school on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

# Important Information



Please make sure that your child wears sunscreen and a sun hat to Nursery during the Summer Term.

# Topics for June

- Summer time
- Holidays + Around the World
- Preparation for Primary 1

Please also make sure your children learn the words on any of the sheets that are sent home.

## Songs and rhymes

- The Alphabet Song
- London's Burning
- Little Arabella Miller
- Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear
- Butterfly, Butterfly

### The Alphabet Song

A,b,c,d,e,f,g, H,i,j,k,l,m,n, O,p,q,u,r,s,t,u V,w,x,y,z Now I know my a,b,c Next time won't you sing with me.



# London's Burning

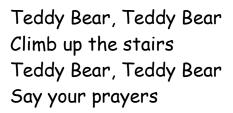
London's burning, London's burning
Call the engine (x2)
Fire, fire
Fire, fire
Pour some water
Pour some water

#### Little Arabella Miller

Little Arabella Miller
Found a wooly caterpillar.
First it crawled upon her
mother
Then upon her baby brother.
"Ah", said Arabella Miller
"Take away that
caterpillar"

#### Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear

Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear
Touch the ground
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear
Turn around
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear
Touch your toes
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear
Touch your nose.





Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear Turn out the light Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear Say "goodnight" Butterfly, Butterfly



Butterfly, Butterfly

Flying way up in the sky.
With a flutter, flutter here
And a flutter, flutter there.
You just flutter everywhere

On the grass, on the tree
On the flower, then on me.
With a flutter, flutter here
And a flutter, flutter there.
You just flutter everywhere.

The children will also learn other songs for their Graduation celebration.

And finally.....

We wish you and your children a very enjoyable and safe Summer.

Mrs. C. Bennett, Miss Tara Hollywood, Miss Carol and Miss Angela