## **Dunmore Primary School**

Nursery Curriculum Newsletter - Summer Term 2 2025



| Our Themes this Term   | Communication and Language   |
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| <ul> <li>Life Cycles – 2 weeks</li> <li>We are going to be watching caterpillars<br/>as they grow and change. We hope to be<br/>able to release some butterflies into our<br/>garden.</li> <li>We are looking forward to our exciting<br/>visit from 'Living Eggs'.</li> <li>Bears – 2 weeks</li> <li>During our Bears theme we will look at<br/>some examples of old bears and new<br/>bears see how bears have changed over<br/>time. The children will be able to bring in<br/>their own bears to enhance their<br/>imaginary play and story-telling.</li> <li>Summer – 3 weeks</li> <li>We will be thinking about the changes that<br/>happen in summer.</li> <li>We will talk about holidays and different<br/>ways to travel.</li> <li>We will help the children think about what<br/>they have enjoyed in Nursery and help<br/>with transition in Reception.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>We will continue to share stories with the children looking for new vocabulary and experiences.</li> <li>We will build on our listening skills as we explore books and photographs.</li> <li>We enjoy using rhymes, poems and songs.</li> <li>We love to give the children the chance to share their experiences with each other. We can use Tapestry to show photos of special things they have done at home.</li> </ul> |
| Personal, Social and Emotional<br>Development  | Physical Development   |
| This term we will be thinking about coping with<br>change. We understand that some of the children<br>will feel anxious about moving to Reception and<br>we will do activities that help to deal with those<br>fears and worries. We will also help the children<br>to celebrate the good things that have happened<br>this year.  | <ul> <li>Fine motor skills:</li> <li>Holding a pencil using tripod grip</li> <li>Regular letter formation practice</li> <li>Cutting skills</li> <li>Gross motor skills</li> <li>Outdoor play available whatever the weather</li> <li>Building, climbing, balancing</li> <li>PE lessons – Ball skills</li> </ul>  |
| Literacy   | Mathematics  |
| <ul> <li>Daily phonics sessions include:</li> <li>Recognising sounds (look out on Tapestry for which sounds we are learning each week)</li> <li>Reading their own name</li> <li>Letter formation</li> <li>Segmenting CVC words</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>We will consolidate our learning from the previous term.</li> <li>We will look at number composition from 1-5.</li> <li>We will explore what number comes before or after a given number.</li> </ul>  |

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| Understanding the World   | Expressive Arts and Design   |
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| <ul> <li>We will be exploring life cycles as we watch<br/>our caterpillars and eggs change and grow.</li> <li>We will think about what makes summer and<br/>holidays special.</li> <li>We will think about what makes a good<br/>holiday,</li> <li>We will also continue to care for our plants.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>We will look for opportunities to apply all of<br/>the skills we have learned this year, using a<br/>range of materials to explore colour and<br/>texture.</li> <li>In music we will continue to sing songs and<br/>rhymes and we are looking forward to<br/>performing some of them to you!</li> </ul> |

| Important Information           |  |  |
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| PE                              | Our PE day is Monday or Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Please<br>make sure your child is dressed appropriately for physical activities.<br>We plan to use the field as much as possible so please make sure your<br>child is wearing suitable footwear.                  |  |
| Advance notice:<br>Open Morning | On June 18 <sup>th</sup> we will be holding an Early Years Open Morning for Nursery<br>and Reception families. We will send more details nearer the time but<br>please save the date and be prepared for some lovely singing and craft<br>activities with your children. |  |

## **Requests to Parents**

- PLEASE make sure that all items of clothes are named! This is especially important now that the weather has warmed up.
- Please remember that we only allow water in water bottles. The children may bring a different drink for their lunch.
- Please make sure the children have sunhats and that you have applied sun cream at home before school. Our gardens do not have a lot of shade and we want to keep the children safe.

## **Key Dates**

- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June School closed for an INSET day
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 9am 10am Open Doors session to include singing and craft with your child.
- Week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> June Parent meeting for children starting school.
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July Open Evening to look at Nursery and see your new classroom.

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