



Carrick Knowe Primary School

Nursery Newsletter

Term 1: August - October



After a well-deserved rest over the holidays and a rather hasty end to last session, we are thrilled to have welcomed our children, old and new back to Nursery. It has been brilliant to see how well everyone is settling into the new Nursery routine.

As we support your children in the return to Nursery life, we continue to plan activities in response to their interests but there will be a strong focus on Health and Wellbeing topics alongside this. This will ensure that appropriate time is given to supporting pupils in processing "lockdown" and the current environment in which we find ourselves in.

Please see the following information regarding the term ahead:

Curriculum:

In Nursery our planning is mainly responsive from the children. We will also plan contexts for learning to help the children develop skills and links across the curriculum. This term our main contexts will be:

Autumn-

Walks around our school grounds, Autumn activities, stories

School Values-

Revisit the School Values with a focus on Kindness

Health and Well-Being -

Feeling Safe and Nurtured, Friendships

Information Board/Website:

We are aware that parents are currently not allowed in the Nursery and many of you will miss looking at our Noticeboard. With this in mind, we are currently updating our Nursery Website and this should be ready over the next few weeks.

Sickness/Illness:

If there are any cases of Chicken Pox, Hand Foot and Mouth or other notifiable illnesses within the Nursery, we will inform all parents by email.

Please note: Any child with sickness and/or diarrhoea will not be able to attend nursery for 48hrs after their last episode.

Concerns/Suggestions/Ideas:

We are aware that Drop-Off and Pick-Uptimes no longer offer you the opportunity to chat with your child's Key-Worker. If you have any Questions, Worries or Concerns, please feel free to phone or email us and we will get back to you.

Similarly, we are always looking for new Nursery ideas. Please drop us an email with any suggestions.

Lunches

The introduction of lunches to Carrick Knowe Nursery has been very successful and the children are enjoying the opportunity to socialise with their peers and develop independence skills.

We are continuing to provide packed lunches for the moment, with the view to introducing Hot Lunches in the near future.

Clothing and Outdoors

As the weather is now getting colder and wetter, please send your child to Nursery with a jacket and wellies. Unfortunately, due to current restrictions we are unable to provide any waterproofs/wellies for the time-being.

Drop-Off/ Pick-Up

All Parents/Carers should exit the Nursery, following the one-way system, via the Car Park

Halloween

As mentioned in the recent HT Newsletter, classes at Carrick Knowe will not be taking part in any Halloween activities. This will include the Nursery and we ask that children do not dress up on this day.

Rhyme:

At Carrick Knowe Nursery we know the importance of rhyme. Research has shown that simple finger and counting rhymes are extremely important in developing children's language skills. We have created a number rhyme book and this will shortly be available on our Website.

Dates for your Diary:

21/09/20	September Holiday
28/09/20	Maths Week Scotland
30/09/20	HT Monthly newsletter issued
16/10/20	Term ends