



Tullygally Nursery Newsletter

April 2021

We hope that you all enjoyed the Easter break. It has been fantastic to get the children back to school, the year is flying by and we have lots of fun activities planned. At the end of Term 3 we will issue parents of children who are moving to Primary 1 with a transition report which will then be forwarded to their Primary 1 teacher. Children who are completing a second year in nursery will receive a written report. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to talk to us at any time.

General Information

Snack will no longer be paid via the school app. Instead we will be asking for £5 per month to cover snack. This should be paid in cash in a sealed envelope at the start of each month— we will send out a reminder. This has been worked out over the year, so the payment remains the same regardless of how many days are in the month.

The weather is now getting warmer, so please ensure that your child has a sunhat that can be left in school, and has sun cream applied before school.



Reminder
Snack and Dinner
Money

Snack-£5 per month
Dinner-£2.50 per
day
(£12.50 per week)



Topic Information

Our current topics are minibeasts, fruit and vegetables, Spring and animals. We will be sharing topic sheets with language via the Evidence Me and School App

Dinner
money
MUST be
paid in
advance
via the
school app

Curriculum Information

Our pre-school curriculum follows the Curricular Guidance for Pre School

The areas of learning are:

- The Arts
- Language Development
- Early Mathematical Experiences
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development and Movement
- The World Around Us

This month we will be focusing on the area of Early Mathematical Experiences, one of the six different curriculum areas. We have discussed your child's progress in our recent parent-teacher meetings, so you will know the areas we are focusing on with your child.

“A positive attitude towards and an understanding of mathematical concepts are important in everyday life. These develop slowly in young children, so they need opportunities to revisit activities and to experience mathematical ideas in many different contexts.” Curricular Guidance for Pre School

For further information

<https://ccea.org.uk/downloads/docs/ccea-asset/Curriculum/Curricular%20Guidance%20for%20Pre-School%20Education.pdf>

You can help your child's mathematical skills by counting the plates for tea time, talking about colour and shapes as you take a walk, and by using simple positional language like put the cup on table etc. Can you count how many people live in your house? How many windows you have?

Getting Ready to Learn—New Initiatives Launch

As mentioned previously, the Getting Ready to Learn programme focusses on raising parent's awareness of how they can support children's learning at home through-out the pre-school year.

We will be starting short zoom sessions where we will share ideas and activities for you to use at home with your child, starting from next week. We will notify you of dates via the school app and Evidence Me.

Evidence Me

We are continuing to use the new Evidence ME app to record our observations and communicate with parents. If anyone is having difficulty accessing this, please email us at tullygallynursery@outlook.com

We are also continuing to update the school app with all information.

Covid-19

If your child or anyone in your house or social bubble develop any of the symptoms of Covid-19, please do not send your child to school. You should contact your GP and / or the PHA for advice.

If your child is generally unwell, please keep them at home until they are better. Please inform the school secretary on the morning of their first day of absence.

Please remember at drop offs and pick ups to maintain social distancing at all times and where possible please wear a mask. Gates are opened at 8.45 and shut at 9.00a.m. each morning, and then reopened at 1.00pm and closed at 1.15pm. We are working hard to maintain our social bubbles within school and the safety of all our children, so please ensure that children stay beside the adult bringing them to school

Breakfast and Afterschools Club

Breakfast club has restarted and any parent who would like their child to avail of it should email Mrs Andrews at kandrews907@c2kni.net.

All children should have received a letter regarding after schools, which will restart on Tuesday 4th May and run from Tuesday to Thursday each week. This must be booked using the booking form.

WellComm

We are currently using the WellComm programme to highlight areas of development in children's language skills. This is done with each child individually, and we will be sharing some ideas and activities with you that you can use at home to help your child's language skills.

Dates for your Diary

Dates for Diary—School Closures

3rd May– Bank Holiday

25th-31st May

30th June– school closes at 12pm.



April Nursery Rhymes

OLD MACDONALD HAD A FARM

Old Macdonald had a farm,
E-I-E-I-O
And on that farm he had some
cows,
E-I-E-I-O
With a moo-moo here,
And a moo-moo there,
Here a moo, there a
moo, everywhere a moo-
moo,



FIVE LITTLE PEAS

Five little peas in a pea-
pod pressed,
One grew, two grew and so did all
the rest.
They grew and grew and did not
stop,
Till all of a sudden the pod went
pop!



CHOOK, CHOOK

Chook, chook, chook, chook
Good morning Mrs Hen.
How many chickens have you got?
Madam, I've got ten.
Four of them are yellow,
Four of them are brown,
And two of them are speckled red –
The nicest in the town.

Five Little Ducks

Five little ducks went swimming one
day,
Over the hills and far away.
Mother duck said “quack, quack come
back”
But only four little ducks came back.

Four little ducks etc

One little duck went swimming one
day,
Over the hills and far away,
Mother duck said “quack, quack come
back”,
And five little ducks came swimming
back.