

Greenhills Primary School February 2023



Nursery News

Dear Parent/Carer

We would like to welcome temporary staff Nicola Gowran who will be with us on Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday.

Learning

We have enjoyed learning about celebrations, festivals and winter in the month of January. The children had great fun taking part in the Burns assembly singing "3 Crows" in front of the school.

Thank you for your continued support with engaging with Learning Journals. Any issues with using Learning Journals please speak to Mrs Phin`.

Proud Cloud

Thank you to all families who are engaging in our Proud Cloud initiative. This is an excellent opportunity for our children to achieve and progress their skills, particularly independence. Please return Proud Cloud booklets on a Thursday or a Friday, as this will allow us to return to you on the following Monday. Also, a reminder that it is just one achievement per week maximum and achievements might take more than one week to complete. It is important your child achieves their target consistently. If you have any questions, please ask the member of staff who is at the door. If you don't have a booklet, please see Mrs Phin or Mrs Sommerville.

Early Years A-Z of attachment and resilience

We hope you found the information in January Newsletter useful. This document, produced by South Lanarkshire Council Psychological Service is to support parents/carers. Within each newsletter we will explain 2 or 3 letters of the A-Z. Should you wish further advice or support on any aspect please speak to Mrs Phin or a member of staff.

<u>G is for Greetings and farewell's – greetings and farewells can be important moments for children and parents and can speak loudly to a child about how much they are loved, i.e. Did you miss them? Are you happy to see them? It is important that as a parent you are responsive to your child's feelings at these times.</u>

<u>H is Helpful no's –</u> Adults are wiser about the world than young children, so they need to guide and help children make wise choices. Saying `no` sometimes helps children learn to accept that others are in charge and adults sometimes make decisions for them.

<u>I is for Independence –</u> Children start the drive towards Independence at an early age and there comes a time for parents to find the balance between letting their children begin to do things for themselves and providing them with the support and guidance they need.

SALT

The helpline number for Speech and Language Therapy is 01698575707 should you have any queries. Alternatively, you can email <u>sltenguiry@lanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk</u>. Tiny Happy People is a website to help you develop your child's language skills. There are great activities and play ideas to help the development of your child



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Parent Committee

Thanks to the parents who attended the meeting. Please do come along and join us for an informal cuppa and chat at our next meeting 27th March.

P1 Transition

Our pre-school children have started our P1 transition programme on a Friday afternoon. The children have been spilt into 2 groups and attend primary one for a block of 4 weeks.

Change of Clothes

A gentle reminder that all children should be coming to nursery with a change of clothes. While we try to keep them clean and dry, sometimes they get wet or dirty during outdoor play, or messy play. You are welcome to send a spare set of clothes in a bag and leave at nursery until the end of the term or until needed.

Rhymes

Nursery rhymes and songs are important for developing literacy skills such as rhyme and rhythm in language. We will be listening to and acting the rhymes out within the playroom, however, please could you continue to teach your child to sing rhymes at home. You will see our rhyme of the week displayed on our Learning wall in the nursery cloakroom. Children will decide this on a weekly basis.