



# Greenhills Primary School

## April/May 2023



### Nursery News

Dear Parent/Carer

#### Learning

We have enjoyed learning about the celebration of Easter last month. The children have enjoyed exploring and creating patterns. We have begun to talk about spring, and we will continue to focus on this.

Thank you for your continued support engaging with Learning Journals. We enjoy seeing what the children are doing out with nursery. If you have any issues 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 do not have a booklet, please see Mrs Phin or Mrs Sommerville.

#### Early Years A-Z of attachment and resilience

We hope you found the previous information 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.

M is for magical moments – Magical moments are moments of strong emotional connection with your child without distraction and are the foundation stones of your child's self-esteem. These are the moments when your eyes meet and nothing else matters for that moment.

N is for notice the positives – Children are built up by praise and will go on doing what they are praised for. If children are criticised all the time, they are more likely to go on doing what they are criticised for. Therefore, it is important not to criticise more than you praise.

O is for one to ones – Babies are born relationship ready and from a very early age the ability to light up your face gives your baby a sense of themselves as lovely and loveable. Spending one to one time with your child teaches them that they are valued and fun to be around.

#### Parent Appointments

Thank you to all the parents who attended their parents' appointment. If you missed your child's appointment, please speak to their key worker to re arrange a suitable time.



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### **Easter**

Well done to all the children for making their Easter egg collage they were all fantastic. Thank you to Mr Cruickshank for kindly donating the Easter eggs We hope you all had a lovely break.

### **Parent Committee**

Please do come along and join us for an informal cuppa and chat in the parents' room. Our next meeting will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May @ 9.15am.

### **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.

### **Library Visit**

Kirsty from the library will be visiting us on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April. Our preschool children will be walking to the library on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> May and Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

### **Trip**

We are going to Museum of Rural Country Life for our trip this year on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June. More details to follow.

### **SIMOA**

We have been displaying guidance from Care inspectorate around the nursery highlighting the importance of safety. The children were curious about the posters around the nursery and showed a great interest in what this was. This is where the journey began and SIMOA became a part of our nursery. We have recently purchased a purple elephant and feel this will allow the children to take ownership of their own and others safety. We have introduced SIMOA through a variety of stories around safety within nursery and the wider environment.

### **Stay and Play**

We would like to invite parents/carers into the nursery to join us in our play and learning during week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Staff will have the timetable at the door each day for you to sign up to a time that suits. We can accommodate only one parent/carer per child. The times available are 9am to 10am and 1.30pm to 2.30pm.

### **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.



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### **Dates for Dairy**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May - Holiday

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Inservice Day

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Holiday

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> May – Pre-schoolchildren to Library

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Stay and Play all week

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May – Parents committee

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Sports Day

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> June – Pre entrant Days

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Trip

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Celebration of achievement for Pre School children.