

St Cyrus Nursery- Term 3 2023/24



School and Nursery Applications

Primary One Registration this week- If your child's fifth birthday is between 1st March 2019 and 28th February 2020, you can register them in January 2024 to start attending school in August 2024. Click this link to apply- <https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/school-info/admissions/primary-school-registration/>.

Nursery Registration from the 22nd of January- 2nd of February- Children ages 3 or 4 years are entitled to free early learning and childcare in the 2023/24 school term- The link will be open next week- To apply click here- <https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/social-care-and-health/childcare-and-early-learning/3-and-4-year-olds/>
Reminder- you need to re-apply every year.

Transitions

We have started transitions from term 1 this year with links to primary one in our outdoor play, visiting primary one, and visits in the school for things like assembly/panto/gym/lunch. This term after the In-service days we will be having visits from the P6s into the nursery at snack time to build up a relationship with our pre-school children in order to establish buddies.



Literacy

Children every day are listening and watching for useful information to learn new things and make choices. We have 2 new children who have started with us at St Cyrus and who have settled well, learning the different routines. We will be learning about recycling and the environment and how we can help the environment. We will be asking the children what they would like to learn about recycling this week.

How to support at home: Try reading a story at home to your child. Giving a child time and full attention when reading them a story tells them they matter. It builds self-esteem, and vocabulary, feeds imagination, and even improves their sleeping patterns.

Numeracy and Mathematics

This term we are going to investigate sorting and organising. We will encourage children to ask questions and display their findings in different ways. This week we are starting to learn about recycling, and this will help us learn what items need sorted into different bins.

How to support at home: Your child could help with recycling at home or taking them to the bottle point to sort different colours. Please send in any pictures of this!!



SHANARRI- We will be starting to learn and grow our knowledge of the SHANARRI indicators about being Safe, Healthy, Achieving, Nurtured, Active, Responsible, Respected and Included. We will be learning each one fortnightly starting with safe- our floor book will be displayed weekly on pick up for you to have a chance to look at how we are learning about these.

How to support at home: Try using the SHANARRI words with your child at home.



Just a small reminder, please could you remember and bring gloves/hat/wellies for your child to nursery as we go outside in all weathers. You can keep these in your child's cubby if you would like. The nursery also have spares of these, just as a staff member and we can add their name to it and keep in their cubby.

Important dates for your diary

15th January- Open evening- cancelled due to being closed for snow day.

29th of January- Rescheduled opening evening- 2.45-4pm.

9th & 12th February- Holiday- Nursery Closed.

13th and 14th February- Inservice days- Nursery closed.

26th of January/ 23rd of February/ 22nd of March - Assembly for pre-school children.

1st of March- Your child's learning journals will be sent home for the weekend. You can however take your child's learning journal home at any time during the term.

22nd of January, 19th of February & 18th of March Book bug session with our library co-ordinator in the afternoon. This term we will not have parents joining us because of the golden ticket and the time that the book bug will be taking place. We will restart in term 4.

Every Wednesday in January to March will be Golden Ticket Day- On one of these Wednesdays or possibly Thursday you will be invited to join us in the setting with your child for 30 minutes at drop-off time. Whilst here you will get to see our morning routine and all the learning that takes place. Your child has already brought home a golden ticket indicating what day you are invited in, please speak to a member of staff if you have misplaced this. We would ask that only 1 adult per child join us for this session so as not to overcrowd the nursery.

Nature Nursery dates in the previous email sent out on the 21st of December.

Every Thursday between 2-3 we will be outdoors with the primary one class or join the primary one in the classroom for free play.

Please do remember that we have an open-door policy, if you ever just want a chat just ask- Lauren, Bev, Jodi, Marie, and Donna.