



# Uryside Nursery- Term 1 Newsletter

October 2021

## Dear Parents/carers/families,

Firstly, thank you to all for your continued support this term with following the protocols in place in response to covid 19. The new extended 1140 hours have been successfully implemented thanks to everyone working together to follow necessary procedures in place. We thank you for your understanding whilst we have been working with continued bubbles and restrictions on sessions being offered. We are delighted with how well all of our young learners have settled in to the new routines. Thank you to those who responded to our recent survey- we are currently collating feedback from this to share with you all.

### Learning This term

This has been a busy term. We started by focusing on wellbeing with the children, building relationships and introducing new routines and choices. We introduced the colour monsters to the children to support them with managing emotions. We have been looking at 'We are going on a bear hunt' with group 1 and 'The very hungry caterpillar' with group 2 this term. These have been chosen by the children through choice tubs. There has been lots of outdoor play opportunities available for children to explore. There has been a particular interest in mini beast hunts, planting and large water play. There has been lots of opportunities provided to support and enhance schematic play throughout the environment.



### Staffing update:

We wish Miss Harkin all the best as she begins Maternity Leave this month in preparation for her baby to arrive. We are currently recruiting cover for Miss Harkin.

Mrs Burr leaves us at the end of term as we welcome back Mrs Hird from her maternity leave in term 2. We wish Mrs Burr every success in her post she has secured.

### Term 2

We return to term 2 with the relaxing of bubbles and groups will now be mixed. We ask that you please continue to follow the prior procedures in place- Not using the school car park, wearing a face mask on campus, sticking to drop off/pick up times, letting staff know who is picking up your child if there's a change, letting school know of absences, Not arriving before your drop off time and no parents beyond the gate.

### Dates for your diary

**Cauliflower cards date extension-** 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021

**Last day of term 1** - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October

**October Holidays-** Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October (*ALL YEAR children will attend*).

**Term 2 Starts-** 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021

**Bonfire Bash 3<sup>rd</sup> November-** Dress up and party games (no masks or weapons)

**Inservice days-** Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November and Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November (*Nursery closed to all*)

**Parents meetings-** TBC

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November-** Dress in tartan for St Andrews Day.

**Nativity-** TBC

**Christmas party-** TBC

**Last day of term 2-** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021

**Christmas Holidays-** 22<sup>nd</sup> December- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January (*Nursery closed to all*)



**Term 3 starts-** 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### October Holidays

ALL year children will be in normal sessions during this time. There will be no session changes during this time.

Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter. If you have any suggestions on the types of things you would like to see on here, please let us know. Please remember to keep visiting our nursery site:

<https://sites.google.com/as.glow.scot/uryside-nursery/home>

Nursery Staff

