

St. Maria Goretti News

Jan/Feb Update

The themes for February are **People Who Help Us** and a consolidation of **Myself** and **Our Senses** in preparation for our W5 trip.

- During February the children will become familiar with the **Emotion** 'Surprised or shocked'.
- In **Numeracy** we are focusing on prepositions - in, on, under, in front, behind, beside. It would be helpful if you could reinforce these words at home and use this language to give your child some simple instructions
- As part of the **Self-help Independence** programme we will be encouraging children to learn their own home address

Trip to W5

As you are aware we will be visiting W5 on Friday 2nd February. The Nursery will be covering the cost of this trip from School funds. A packed lunch will be provided for all children. We would ask that children **do not** wear their jumpers on this day as there is a lot of water play in W5! Children should arrive back in the nursery at the normal home time.



We hope to begin the **Happy Healthy Kids** Programme at the end of February - this will involve sharing information with parents about the benefits of developing physical exercise with children and inviting you into the nursery to stay and play with the children. Full details of the whole programme will be discussed during a parent meeting on **Tuesday 27th February at 9.15 am** in the nursery. The teachers and Cathy will be there to explain the programme. All welcome.

Annual Cake sale

We will be having a **Cake Sale** on Thursday 8th February to raise funds for our nursery. We kindly ask parents to bring donations for the sale next week and buy yourself a treat from the selection of cakes and buns - Thank you



Please note: If children wear wellies to school in the wet weather please bring in a change of shoes for them to wear in school as the wellies become very uncomfortable when the children wear them all day in the nursery.



Music in the nursery

As part of the music curriculum we will be having fun music sessions with Mrs. Mc Bride from the Belfast School of Music every Friday morning this term. We will also be working with a Music Therapist Specialist, Karen Diamond to help support children in small music groups

Monday 12th to Friday 16th February
School is closed for the Mid-Term Break

EVENTS IN THE NURSERY

Monday 29th - Friday 2nd February

This week is Catholic School's week and we hope to celebrate our special Grandparents by encouraging the children to create a piece of artwork especially for them.

Friday 2nd School Trip to the Education Discovery Centre W5 and the Pre-school workshop - 'Sounds like Music'

Tuesday 6th Fitness Freddy with a fun dance session

Thursday 8th Annual Cake Sale in the Nursery

Thursday 8th Story telling session with Liz Gough

Monday 12th to Friday 16th February (inclusive)

School is closed for the Mid-Term Break and will re-open on Monday 19th February at usual time.

Wednesday 21st Fire Service visit to the nursery

Thursday 22nd Science Starz

Tuesday 27th Happy Healthy Kids launch - all parents welcome!

Remember to look out for the photos on our notice board of all the children having fun throughout the month

Parent Workshops on Tuesdays and Stay and Play sessions on Wednesdays begin again during the week of 29th January.
Please see attached flyer.