

# Keith Primary School Nursery Bulletin

22nd October 2018



**Welcome Back. We hope you all had an enjoyable break!**  
**We have a very busy term ahead with lots of opportunities for you to share your child's learning and help out in Nursery.**

**Questionnaire** Please could questionnaires given out before the holidays be returned as soon as possible. If you have misplaced your questionnaire, please ask a member of staff for another copy. Thank you. We will share the results with you soon.

**Team Training** Last term the team took part in training on the development of Floor Books. This is using a large book in which the nursery team record the learning and planning that takes place around specific topics. This book contains lots of evidence of the children's thoughts, ideas, photographs and pictures around their learning as well as possible links to where we can take the learning next! When you visit nursery for a Stay and Play session, be sure to look at this with your child.

**Student** This term we welcome Mrs Lesley Malcolm; a student from Moray College who will be joining us on a Wednesday and Thursday until next June.



**Lending Library** Our Lending Library will begin on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October**. During this weekly session the children will go in groups to the school library to choose a book for sharing with you at home. Books will go home for a week and **should be returned the following Monday**. Any books returned later than this will not be renewed until the following week.

**Lending Library Helpers Meeting** We would like to invite you along to the school library for a short meeting on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October** where we will explain how the lending library works and the role of Lending Library Helper. The meeting will take place at 9.00am and should last approximately 20 mins. If you are able to attend, please go to the main office and sign in. Thank you to the parents who signed up to help with the Lending Library at the Nursery Essentials Meeting with Mrs Connelly and Mrs Ewen. A copy of the rota has been put together for the term and volunteers will receive this, at the meeting. A copy will also be posted on the information board in the cloakroom. If you are unable to attend on the given date, we ask that you organise a swap with another parent and mark it on the rota on the notice board.



**Fancy Dress Day** This term we will continue to be learning about what happens in autumn. As part of this, we will be celebrating some autumn festivals. On Wednesday 31st, your child can come in fancy dress but please do not dress your child in scary costumes or masks. Your child will experience the making of a pumpkin lantern and playing some traditional party games.

**SSSC Leaflets** In your child's tray you will find information leaflets about "What you can expect from your care worker?" and "What to do if someone has a concern about a care worker's behaviour?" Please don't hesitate to get back to us with anything.

**Tesco Visits** The children have enjoyed finding out about where their snack comes from and how they buy food. These visits will continue next term.



**Woods** Next Monday we will begin our visits to the woods and Safe Simon will come along with us to teach the children how we stay safe in the woods. The children will all initially visit ,thereafter, they will be given the choice to come to the woods on a Monday. Please ensure your child has waterproof and wellies in nursery and that they come wearing appropriate clothing.



**Harvest Donation Box** Thank you to everyone who donated towards this box. The staff and residents at Glen Isla were delighted with the box which the afternoon children delivered on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

**Nursery Needs** We are still in very short supply of yogurt/small plastic pots for paint and would be grateful of any donations.

**Assembly** This will be on Friday morning and will start at 9.30am. All welcome.

**Snack Fees** Snack fees are now due for the term. We very much appreciate follows - £17.20 for children attending 5 days a week and £10.40 for those attending 3 days a week. Please make payment to Mrs Haley in the school office between by **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November.**

**Snack** We are on **Week 3** of the snack menu.

### What have we been learning?

**Keith Library visits** The children all enjoyed their visit to the library the week before the holidays. They had a fun story session with stories read by Janice and were given a short tour of the nursery to find out what they can do there and how we take out books. Staff at the library commented on and praised the children for being so well behaved, listening and contributing to the stories. This visit was also aimed at fostering a love of books and reading.

#### Fall in Love with reading: Ten simple things you can do at home!

1. Develop a family reading time. Find a regular time to read and make this story time a cosy routine, which will help make reading an essential and pleasant experience.
2. Read about what interests your child.
3. Try books that reflect your daily experiences.
4. Let your child select books.
5. Re-read your child's favourite story. It is common for children to request the same book again and again. Re- reading familiar stories offers children a chance to absorb information and the whole story.
6. Encourage the child to retell the story or act it out. You can join in too!
7. Have fun while reading. You can substitute your child's name or the name of a pet into the story or find props that go along with the story that your child can use in their play.
8. Change where you read to your child! It can be fun to read books in different places around your house and home. If it's a story about the dark, try reading in a darkened room with a torch! You can even ask your child where they think it could be fun to read a particular story.
9. Try one of these books, which trigger a child's interest in reading.

Don't Push the Button by Bill Carter  
Go Away Big Green Monster by Ed Emberley  
Maisey's Fairground by Lucy Cousins

10. Join the Library – books can be expensive, so borrow for free.



***If you have any questions about any of the items in the Bulletin, please don't hesitate to ask a member of the Nursery Team or Mrs Connelly.***