

# Keith Primary School Nursery Bulletin

29th October 2018



**Pirate Talking Tub** Following on from our Floor Book training and in response to the interests of the children at the end of the term, we created a 'Pirate' based talking tub of items to stimulate talking and thinking with small groups of children. This helps us to focus on where the learning will go. We like to involve our parents as much as possible at nursery and would value your suggestions and ideas of activities based on the children's interest in Pirates. You will find a sheet in your child's tray which we would be most grateful if you could complete if you have any ideas.



**Woods** Today 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 visit, initially. Thereafter, they will be given the choice to come to the woods on a Monday. Please ensure your child has waterproofs and wellies in nursery and that they come wearing appropriate clothing.



**Lending Library** Our Lending Library will begin on **Tuesday 30th 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** Apologies for the date error in last week's bulletin. We have planned another short meeting this week on **Tuesday 30th October** for those who missed it; 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. A copy of the rota has been put together for the term and volunteers will receive this, at the meeting, or in your child's communication book. 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 - Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October** as part of our learning about autumn festivals, we have been busy this week learning about and preparing for Halloween. We discussed with the children what they would like to do and find out. The children have enjoyed making pumpkin lanterns, witches soup, masks and making Halloween biscuits.



On Wednesday your child can come in fancy dress but please do not dress your child in **scary costumes** or **masks**.

**Stay & Play** We would like to invite parents/carers to come in to nursery to share some nursery time with their child. This will give you an opportunity to play with your child, find out more about what your child is learning and about the nursery routines. You will also have the opportunity to view your child's Portfolio with them. We can accommodate 1 parent/carer at a time for up to the first 2 hours of a session. You are under no obligation to stay for the full 2 hours. Please feel free to choose how long you stay within the 2 hour slot. Stay and Play will begin on 7th November and is planned for Tuesday and Thursday each week beginning Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November. If you would like to come in, please add your name to the list of dates in the cloakroom. When you come to Stay and Play, to make the sessions run as smoothly as possible and to avoid any confusion, could you please sign in at the main reception before lining up for nursery with your child. This will then allow for you to come straight into nursery with your child. **Unfortunately we cannot accommodate younger siblings at "Stay and Play" sessions.**

**Tesco Visits** These visits will continue next week. You will receive a note in your child's communication book should it be their turn.

**Nursery Jumpers – Lost property** We currently have two nursery jumpers in our lost property box. One age 5-6 and another 3-4. Please speak to a member of staff if you believe they could be yours.

**Assembly** This will be on Friday afternoon and will start at 1.30pm. All welcome.

**Snack Fees** Snack fees are now due for the term. We very much appreciate payment, as 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 **11.30am-1.00pm by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November.**

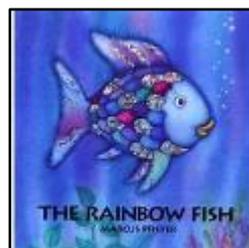
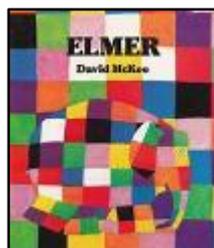
**Snack** We are on **Week 4** of the snack menu.

**Keep Antibiotics Working 2018/2019** The Scottish Government and NHSScotland have launched a national campaign to encourage families to better understand the role of antibiotics and for which conditions they are necessary. You will see information posters in the nursery cloakroom and you will find a leaflet in your child's tray. We hope you find this useful.

## **What have we been learning?**

**We have been learning to match and recognise colours.**

The children are provided with a variety of learning experiences to develop this. Many activities allow children to develop skills in other areas too as can be seen in the photos, like scissor skills, sorting, fine motor, gross motor.



**We enjoyed listening to the stories about Elmer and the Rainbow Fish.**

**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**