



CROSSENS NURSERY SCHOOL

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Welcome to the Summer Term!

How time flies when you are having fun at Nursery! As always there will be lots going on this term!

I would also like to say a BIG, warm welcome to our new children who have started with us this term. I am already very impressed with how you are walking into Nursery with a lovely smile and how you are settling in so wonderfully. Well done!

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all parents who have returned the parent questionnaire in the Spring Term. Your feedback is VERY important to us in ensuring that our Nursery provision is the best it can be.

We really value the relationships we develop with parents and recognise the significant positive impact this has on children's achievements at school.

EXPERIENCING NATURE

The children are currently really enjoying searching for mini beasts in our garden. The blue beetles really do like sitting on the leaves of one of our lovely trees. Our children are always keen to carefully collect such creatures and observe them in their bug-collecting jars. In addition to looking for mini-beasts, our children have also been enjoying hunts around our garden. Baskets for sticks, leaves and cherry blossom have been filled to the brim! Well done Nature Hunters!

What has been happening in our Nursery School?

- In Literacy we have recently been thinking about traditional tales. The children have enjoyed joining in with the repeated refrains and participating with role play experiences using the small world resources. You may well be hearing a lot more about a certain Gingerbread Man as our learning focus evolves again this week...
- In Maths the children have been learning about sorting and patterns, as well as number recognition and counting skills.
- For fine motor development, we are currently having a big focus on our scissor skills. The creative area has been very busy with costume making, junk modelling and some children are even attempting our challenge of cutting out zig-zag patterns, in addition to straight cuts.



Purple Room

Our two year-olds are also having lots of fun with their learning at Crossens Nursery School. We have been spending lots of time outside in the fine weather, exploring insects and listening to our 'Walking through the jungle' story. Our garden area is just perfect for sensory exploration and our children were very excited to explore cornflour 'gloop'! Well done Purple Room!

Areas which particularly support children's attitudes to learning, include:

Being willing to 'have a go'

- Initiating activities
- Seeking challenge
- Showing a 'can do' attitude
- Taking a risk, engaging in new experiences, and learning by trial and error

Keeping on trying

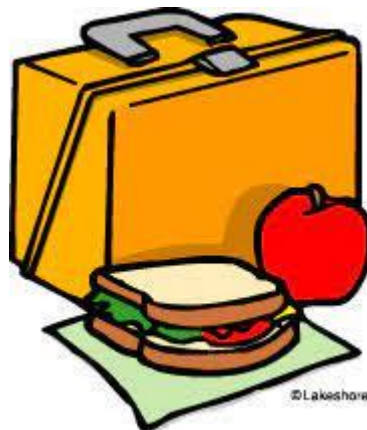
- Persisting with an activity when challenges occur
- Showing a belief that more effort or a different approach will pay off
- Bouncing back after difficulties

Enjoying achieving what they set out to do

- Showing satisfaction in meeting their own goals
- Being proud of how they accomplished something – not just the end result
- Enjoying meeting challenges for their own sake rather than external rewards or praise

Pineapple – An email has been sent earlier this week regarding our Nursery being 'pineapple-free'. Thank you very much for your co-operation on this matter and ensuring that we keep our lovely children safe at Nursery.

Packed Lunches – In the interest of eating healthily, please could we remind Parents and Carers that chocolate bars and sweets are not permitted in lunch boxes.



For those starting Primary School in September:

We start our **transition meetings** next week with the children's welcoming schools in order to ensure that your child's new teacher knows all about them, how they learn and the things they have enjoyed and been interested in whilst at Crossens Nursery School.

Just a few requests:

Jewellery - In order to ensure that all children are safe at Nursery, we ask that jewellery is not worn.

Nappies – For speed and ease of changing, we request that normal nappies (with sticky tabs) are brought into Nursery, rather than the nappy pants. Pull ups are of course still fine for those who are potty training. Of course, we endeavour to work alongside your preferences, but we also want to reduce the time that children are away from their learning whilst being changed.

Mrs Beth Brice, Headteacher