



CROSSENS NURSERY SCHOOL

Confident Children, Lifelong Learners
Success at the heart of the Community

Wednesday 16th November 2022

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The children, staff and governors extend a very warm welcome to new children and families who have joined us since half term. We are looking forward to another busy half term!



What have we been learning about?

Children in our 3&4 YO room have been learning:

- To use large muscle movements to develop upper body strength and co-ordination
- To use anti-clockwise movements and retrace vertical lines
- To create lines and circles using different media
- To handle tools and materials safely and with control i.e. scissors, crayons etc

Things you can do to support this learning at home:

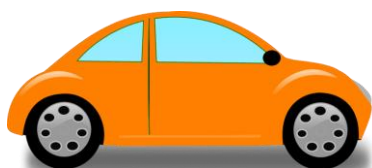
- Visit a playground where children can have plenty of opportunity to pull themselves up, climb steps and stretch
- Provide a collection of sticks with lengths of ribbon or material and let the children move around freely, making large movements and circles in different directions
- Pulling against a resistance, such as a French skipping elastic or an exercise band
- Lying on tummies to share a story, encouraging your child to push up onto their forearms to look at the pages of the book
- Set up obstacle courses with tunnels and cushions – ‘commando’ crawling on their tummy and on hands and knees will be beneficial
- Play wheelbarrows with your child walking on their hands with their feet supported. Pretend to be different animals such as bears, elephants and crabs
- Gardening – weeding, digging, sweeping and transporting garden waste using buckets and wheelbarrows

Please remember to share any home learning with us by completing a WOW moment!

PARKING

This is a very busy site, housing 4 schools and with two of them being special schools, and there are frequent visitors e.g. health professionals.

When dropping off or collecting your children please **DO NOT** park on the school site.



Special Requests

Please share your experiences of recent special events with us, e.g. Halloween, Bonfire Night, Divali etc. Send us a photo and little explanation to share on our ‘Family Fun’ board.

Please collect strong sticks (approx. 15cm long) for a nursery activity.

School Governors

Our Nursery School Governors met earlier this term to review the work of our school. Governors look at children's attainment and progress and the work of the school to support this. We are very lucky to have such a dedicated and skilled Board to support our Headteacher and staff team.

Would you like to join our Governing Board or do you know someone who might be interested?

Please contact our school office for further information.



2yr olds - Purple Room



What have we been learning?

This week, the children have been listening to the story of that speedy 'Gingerbread Man'. The children are being given opportunities to role play the story and build it into their learning as much as possible.

To support your child's learning at home, take opportunities to sing well known nursery rhymes, share stories and even recite little extracts from such, for example "Run, run, as fast as you can, you can't catch me, I'm the Gingerbread Man!"

Vacancies:

Would you like to join our warm and friendly team here at Crossens Nursery School? Please enquire at the school office or see the Sefton Vacancies website for more details of the following positions:

- Administration Assistant – 18 hours per week, Grade C (pro-rata, term-time only)
- Level 2 Early Years Teaching Assistant - Zero hours contract



National Nursery Rhyme Week

This week is National Nursery Rhyme Week.

Nursery rhymes are incredibly powerful influencers in preschool development. Phonemic skill development gained from nursery rhymes has even been scientifically shown to significantly improve reading, spelling and other literacy skills (Harper, 2011)

We have been singing some of our favourite rhymes at Nursery:

'Row, row, row your boat', 'Twinkle, twinkle little star', 'Baa, Baa, black sheep'....and many more.

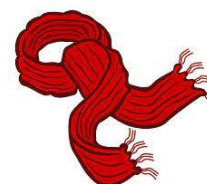
Ask your child which rhymes are their favourite!



Health and Safety – Scarves

We politely request that scarves are **not** brought into Nursery for health and safety reasons.

Hats and gloves are a great idea now that the weather is getting chilly. Please make sure names are in all items so that we can identify property nice and easily.



Dates for your diary

Parents Evening: Tuesday 29th November and Wednesday 30th November 2022 – more details to follow

Christmas Performance: Friday 16th December 2022, 9.30am

Christmas Jamboree: Thursday 15th December 2022 (afternoon session). The children will have an afternoon of fun including: meeting Santa, playing games, having an afternoon tea with their friends and, of course, lots of dancing! More details to follow. We ask for a donation of £5 per child to cover the costs of the event and the remaining money will go towards the purchase of a climbing wall for our garden.