



# CROSSENS NURSERY SCHOOL

Happy Minds, Healthy Bodies and Kind Hearts

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

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Dear Parents and Carers,

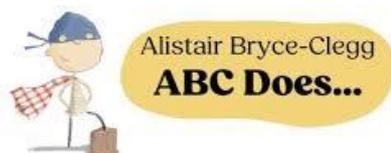
Welcome back to our children who have returned after their Easter Holidays!

A HUGE warm welcome to our fabulous new children who have just started their journey with us here at Crossens Nursery School. It is so lovely to see you and we are, as ever, very lucky to have such caring, happy and enthusiastic children in our Nursery.

## INSPIRATIONAL!

Last Monday, the staff of Crossens Nursery School spent the day with the well-renowned Alistair Bryce-Clegg. We have been motivated, inspired and enthused to develop our fantastic practice even further! Thank you to my phenomenal team who never stop caring for our children and for ensuring that everyone's learning keeps moving forward.

You may have noticed the Easter decorations are still on the tree in the porch? This is because children will talk about and relate to something like Easter, after the event. It may jolt our eagerness to pack festivities away, but returning to decorations like this, and giving the children opportunities to remember something in short-term memory, can be really powerful.



## Early Days

Our new children are settling in really well. We are taking things at a steady pace to give them time to build new relationships, explore new opportunities and enjoy new experiences – all vital for their growing confidence and independence. Thank you to our new parents and carers for your understanding with our transition period. We know this gives children the best start and allows firm relationships and bonds with key workers to embed.

Children who have returned to Nursery are doing a wonderful job of helping their new friends to find their way around the setting and access all the fun!



## Diary Dates:

### Bank Holiday

Nursery will be closed on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May for the Bank Holiday.

### Half-term

We break up for half-term on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. Nursery will reopen on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

### Summer Fair

Join us for 'fund-raising fun' as we get together for our annual Summer Fair on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

### Graduations

For those children who will be leaving Crossens Nursery in the Summer to start primary school in September, we will be hosting their graduation ceremonies on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July. More information will be sent out in due course and children will only need to attend one ceremony.

## Packed Lunches

The Nursery School operates a Healthy Eating Policy and we ask parents to pack a balance of food, avoiding sweets, chocolate, biscuits and sugary drinks.

We are a 'pineapple-free' and 'nut free' Nursery in order to ensure that known allergies are managed and that our children are kept safe. We kindly ask that pineapple and nuts are not brought into school in packed lunches.

To avoid choking, please ensure grapes and berries are cut into quarters (long-ways) and we advise that popcorn and 'meat on the bone' are not brought into school. Please see our noticeboard for packed lunch ideas and further advice.



## Attendance

Please can you ring the office on **01704 228624** or email [admin@crossensnursery.sefton.org.uk](mailto:admin@crossensnursery.sefton.org.uk) if your child is too ill to attend Nursery School or has an appointment.

Keep us up to date with contact numbers if you get a new mobile phone.

## Just a few requests:

### Jewellery

Jewellery can be easily broken or damaged during a fun-filled day at Nursery and may even cause harm to a child, if caught or snagged. We respectfully ask that jewellery is not worn at Nursery. Only stud earrings are allowed.

### Names in clothing

To reduce lost belongings, please label all items of clothing brought into Nursery.

### 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.

We will endeavour to work alongside your preferences, but we also want to reduce the time that children are away from their learning whilst being changed.

### Primary School Places – Transition visits

Primary schools will soon be arranging their own transition visits/play days for their new starters which may overlap with sessions at nursery school. If this is the case for your child, please let us know by email what dates and times they will be absent or collected early / arrive late.

## SNACK MONEY

### £10 per half term

Children are given snack at Nursery in the morning and afternoon. Each half-term we ask parents and carers for £10 to contribute to cost of this for the children.

From this fund, we also purchase our ingredients for making our own playdough and any other consumable resources needed for the classroom. Please pay this in cash to the school office.



### Safeguarding

All safeguarding concerns are reported to our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs). Our DSLs are Mrs Brice, Miss White and Mrs Copeland.

All our staff receive annual Safeguarding training and they report and record concerns in line with our procedures. If you wish to know more about our Safeguarding procedures, you can find our Child Protection Policy on the school website. You can always talk to me if you would like further information.

