



Tinto Primary
Nursery
Early Learning
and Child Care
February 2017

Diary Dates

- 13th, 14th and 15th (Inservice) February nursery closed, **reopen 16th February**
- Curriculum information sessions 9am
- **Red group 21st, 22nd Green group, 23rd Blue Group** followed by an open morning.
- **Fun Friday 24th £1 donation please**
- **28th Feb** Bookshop visit for **Green group.**

Future Dates

7th March Bookbug – Lynn from Biggar library will be coming to do a session, parents and siblings welcome to join us 10:30am

31st March close for Spring break, PM session finishes at **2:30pm**

Sports Day Friday **2nd June**

Graduation Ceremony for Children going to **school 21st June**



- Diary Dates
- Fun Fridays
- Our learning
- Fundraising
- Coffee Chat
- Curriculum information Sessions

Nursery Absences

If your child is absent for any reason at all please let the nursery know via phone or email

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Thank you

Fun Fridays, raising money for books.



Another lovely outing to our local bookshop. Thank you very much to everyone who came along. The green group will be visiting on 28th February.

Our Learning

This month the children have been creating pictures in response to the weather. We brought the snow inside and used our senses exploring the snow change from one form to another. Adding block paints to the snow added a new dimension to exploring the snow.

In our numeracy we have introduced our new mathematics resource Numicon. This resource is developed further at primary. We have had fun exploring the large foam Numicon and used it to discover prints with the playdough.

January was a busy month celebrating Burns Day, we did lots of Scottish dancing with Mrs Cowan and we learned some new Scots vocabulary. The children have shown an interest in the Katie books written by James Craigie Robertson. Mrs Dawson has been looking at a Scottish Artist Claire Innes' work with the children. We looked at her painting 'The stars look down' following this the children have had the opportunity to create their own paintings of Robert Burns house. The children designed their own tartan using toys cars to create the pattern, we used their tartan to create some very brow kilts. We finished off the week by making our own oatcakes and having Haggis, neeps and tatties for our snack.

Moving into February we are learning about the Chinese New Year, we will be creating our own Chinese dragon in the creative area and will be using it in our celebrations, looking at some of the customs of the Chinese celebrations. Our lending library will restart on Friday's this term. This month we will also be introducing French to the children.



Our Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who bought Christmas baubles and tickets for our Christmas Hamper. We raised £111 so a very BIG thank you!! This money will be used towards an outing or a theatre coming into the nursery to do a show. We have been looking for a show at Lanark Memorial or Funbox tour dates but unfortunately nothing suits for a summer trip. We have contacted Grinagog theatre who we have used in the past to see if they have any future productions scheduled for the summer. If you have any suggestions/ideas for a summer trip/event for the children please share with the nursery. Thank you.

Nursery Fund

South Lanarkshire Council asks that every child attending nursery pays **£2.50 per week**.

This money is **not only** used for healthy snacks, it is also used towards outings, resources, baking/playdough ingredients etc. Thank you to everyone for ensuring you keep up to date with the nursery fund.

Remember you can pay weekly, termly or make an annual payment.

Curriculum Information Sessions/open days

Have you ever wondered what your child does during the nursery session? Would you like to know more about how your child develops and learns through play? Please come along and find out more at your child's open day in February. The information sessions will take place around gam. Before visiting the children in playroom you will have the opportunity to view a short presentation. If you need to attend on another date please feel free to rearrange with Mrs Miller.

Red group 21st, 22nd Green group, 23rd Blue

Coffee Chat - The next chat will be on Wednesday 8th March at 11am



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