



We have started our topic of "Shape." We will introduce the children to the various 2d and 3d shapes over the next few weeks. At home if you have the opportunity chat to your child about shapes, for example, "your plate is a circle shape." This is a great way to model mathematical language.

If your child is changed in nursery staff will normally dress your child in nursery clothes as these are the quickest for us to locate. If your child has been changed please return clothes to nursery so that we can use them again. We change lots of children so we would appreciate your co-operation with this matter.

If any parent/ grandparent / carer would like to join their child for the stay and play on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February** please sign your name on the schedule on the notice board. This will be an exciting opportunity for your child to play with you in nursery. The staff will set up various activities for the adult to do with their child and we hope you will have lots of fun together. This is part of "Getting ready to learn" and the play will be examples of activities developing gross and fine motor skills. We hope every child will have an adult joining them on one of the sessions in nursery.

On **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** the primary school and nursery unit will be celebrating world book day. We would like the children to wear a striped top as the school will be making "Where's Wally?" pictures.

On **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March** the morning class will visit the dental clinic on Park Ave. The dental clinic visit is a wonderful opportunity for the children to learn more about a dentist's job. The class will walk to the clinic leaving school at approximately **9.30 am** and **they are to be lifted at the clinic at 10.30 a.m.** (Park Ave). Please ensure your child is wearing appropriate clothing for the walk.



**On Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March we will visit the library to listen to the librarian reading stories and the children will have an opportunity to participate in a rhyme time. We hope parents will be able to join us as we will be walking from school to the library. We would appreciate if the children could be picked up from the library as some might find it tiring to walk from the nursery and back again. The morning class are to be picked up at 10.45 am.**

**On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March the morning class are to meet at Tollymore forest park car park at 9.30 am where we will meet a guide to explore the forest in springtime. The children are to be collected by parents at 10.45 am at the same place. Staff will be waiting for the children in this area. Please ensure your child is wearing a coat and appropriate shoes/boots for exploring the forest.**

**Parents please do not bring younger children with you and please NO PRAMS as we will be exploring the forest and it is very difficult to push prams over rough ground!!**

**Please inform the forest ranger that your child is going on a school trip and you will be told to drive on into the car park to meet nursery staff.**

**On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March and Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March there will be an opportunity for the parents to meet with the teacher for the second set of parent teacher meetings this year. There will be a substitute teacher in the classroom on the Friday and Tuesday while these meetings are taking place in the office area of nursery. A schedule will be placed on the notice board at the beginning of March, where you can select a suitable time slot when you would like to see the teacher.**

**The Easter holidays are Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March to Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April inclusive.**

I give permission for my child ..... to  
walk to the dental clinic.

Signature of parent.....

I am able to join my child on this trip. Yes/NO

I give permission for my child ..... to  
walk to the library to hear stories.

Signature of parent.....

I am able to join my child on this trip. Yes/NO

I give permission for my child ..... to  
visit Tollymore Forest Park.

Signature of parent.....

I am able to join my child on this trip. Yes/NO

Thank you for all your assistance.