



## A message from Mrs Roy

October brought lots of spooky goings on in the nursery as this was a real interest for all of the children. There have been spooky stories read and listened to, potions and lotions made, Halloween art and craft, face painting, dressing up and so on! A great time has been had by all!

As we move into November there are some themed events we will be participating in – World Nursery Rhyme Week, Children in Need and Book Week Scotland. Please read below for some further information about each of these.

Our staff team have also refreshed our Parent Noticeboard and moved it into our entrance foyer. Keep an eye out for any updates and information for the month ahead.

Mrs Roy

## Value of the month

Each month we will choose 1 of our Nursery Values to focus on with the children.

During the month of October we will be focusing on:

Love



Please share any home learning with us via your child's online journal. It would be great to see!

## Wellbeing Indicator of the month - Achieving Arnold



Over the next month we will be discussing this indicator with the children in nursery and in school. Please talk with your child at home about what 'ACHIEVING' means and ask them about what they have been learning.

As part of our focus on ACHIEVING some of the things we will be discussing and encouraging are: how to share success with one another, hobbies and personal interests, etc.

We will also have our **Parent's Consultations on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November** which will give parents/carers a chance to meet face to face with their child's keyworker to discuss their child's progress. A groupcall email was sent to all families last week with further information about the appointments. Please sign up to a time slot this week during drop off/pick up times.

## World Nursery Rhyme Week-w/b 14<sup>th</sup> November

Join us in celebrating this week where lots of the learning will link to Nursery Rhymes. Nursery rhymes play an important role in early childhood development and education. As well as being fun they are excellent teaching tools. The following website has some good ideas of how you can celebrate this week at home with your child -

<https://www.worldnurseryrhymeweek.com/>

## St Ninian's Nursery Rhyme of the Month-



Now it is November,  
Trees are nearly bare;  
Red and orange leaves  
Scatter everywhere.  
Dark now, are the mornings  
Cold and frosty too;  
Damp and misty evenings  
Chill us through and through.  
Busy are all creatures,  
Winter food to hide;  
Nests to make all cozy  
Warm and safe inside.



### Children In Need

We will be celebrating this event with the PM Session on 17<sup>th</sup> and the AM Session on the 18<sup>th</sup> November. The theme this year is 'Spotacular'.

The staff team will be doing some Spotacular activities during these sessions and your child may come home covered in spots – don't panic – they won't be real!!

There will be a collection bucket on these days for anyone wishing to make a donation.



### Book Week Scotland

Book Week Scotland is an annual celebration of books and reading that takes place across the country. During the week beginning 21<sup>st</sup> November parents/carers are invited to sign up to a 'Share a Story' session with your child. This will give you a chance to come into nursery and spend some time reading with your child in our indoor or outdoor environment. Promoting a love for reading is one of our nursery improvement priorities this year so we would welcome any other ideas you may have to help us with this. We have already started our 'Book of the Day' where children can choose the book they would like read to them at Together Time by putting a mark against their choice.



### PEEP sessions

Hi everyone, Miss McNeil here!

I am delighted to be starting our PEEP group back up on Friday for the first block focusing on rhyming and syllables! I'm looking forward to our session and if you haven't signed up for this block don't worry as there will be others blocks you can come along to!

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### A reminder of what's happening in November:

Weekly Welly Wednesdays –wrap up warmly

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> – Parent's Consultations – please sign up to a time slot

w/b 14<sup>th</sup> – World Nursery Rhyme Week

17<sup>th</sup> – PM Session – Children In Need Spotacular

18<sup>th</sup> – AM Session - Children In Need Spotacular

w/b 21<sup>st</sup> - Book Week Scotland-please sign up to a Share a Story Session

2<sup>nd</sup> Dec- 11am Nursery Natter with Miss Fraser

### Ways to keep in touch



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