



Welcome
Spring



Castlereagh Nursery School

'Hand in Hand we Learn Together'

March 2026 Newsletter

What are we learning in March?

The children will be learning all about the first signs of Spring and beginning our topic of Growing. Children will be looking for the first signs of Spring in our nursery garden and planting seeds in our growing area. We will also be looking at mini beasts, identifying them and where they live.

Growing - To help us illustrate the topic of growing we would like you to send in a photograph of your child as a baby (under 1 year old please). We will be discussing these with the children and displaying them around the nursery.

St Patrick's Day

School will close early on Tuesday 17th March for St Patrick's Day. Children may come to school in normal clothes and wear something Green if they want.

There will be no school meals. Please pick children up at
11.10am - Mrs Morrow's Class
11.20am - Mrs Jones' Class



Parent Teacher Consultations

Parent teacher consultations will take place just after Easter

Monday 20th April (Mrs Jones' Class) and

Tuesday 21st April (Mrs Morrow's class)

Sheets for you to choose a suitable time slot will be placed outside each room on the first day back after Easter Monday 13th April.

These are 10 minute time slots where your child's teacher will discuss their progress and show you photographs and observations of your child.

There will be no written report issued at this time.

Transition reports will be available at the end of May.

Easter Egg Hunt

We will have our easter egg hunt in the nursery garden on
Monday 30th March at
11.00-11.10am for Mrs Morrow's Class and
11.20 - 11.30am for Mrs Jones' Class



Parents/carers can join in with their child during this event. Our very own Easter bunny might even make an appearance. Children leave straight after the Easter Egg hunt.

School finishes for Easter Holidays, no school dinners.

ECO Schools

The children will be learning all about recycling and looking after the environment. Making sure we keep our school litter free and also ensuring we always throw our litter in the bin.



We use specific bins in the nursery especially for food waste, plastic waste and paper waste.



Travelling Ted

We will be starting our visits home with the class travelling teddy bear. Mrs Jones class bear is Eddy and Mrs Morrow's class bear is called Spencer. The teddy will go home for 2 nights, it has an overnight bag with a few essentials for his stay. Everything is clearly labelled and should be returned altogether. We would like you to take a few photos of your child with the class teddy and write about his time at your house. Please use the Evidence Me app to do this. On the Evidence me app you can submit an observation using the + button at the bottom. We will then print these out and they will act as a prompt for your child to tell the rest of the class about their adventure together.

Mother's Day Stay and Play

We are holding stay and play sessions on
Monday 9th March (Mrs Morrow's Class) 1.10pm - 1.30pm
Tuesday 10th March (Mrs Jones' Class) 1.20pm - 1.40pm
Please come along with your child to paint and decorate a little tea light holder. There will be no cost for this activity. All resources will be provided.

Arts Week

We are excited to work with a local artist during the week 23rd March. She will be working with small groups of children each day to explore different mediums of art. We will be focusing on the theme of Spring and nature. The children may get even more messy than usual this week. We look forward to showing everyone what we have created.

Pre-loved uniform sale

We have a number of pre-loved jumpers and polo shirts available to purchase.

These will be in the hallway W/B 9th March.

Polo t-shirts - £2

Sweatshirts - £3

Please just pop the money in the box on the table.

Dates for your Diary

Please check these dates each month as more activities will be added when confirmed.

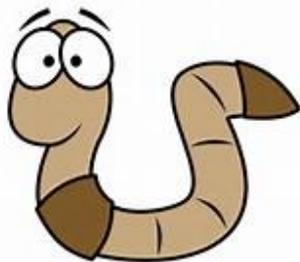
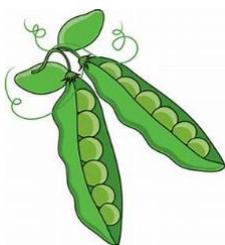
March	
Thursday 5 th	The Gathering Drum Workshop
Friday 6 th	Sonal Sports Physical skills
Monday 9 th	Mother's Day Stay and play - Room 1 1.10 - 1.30pm
Tuesday 10 th	Mother's Day Stay and play - Room 2 1.20 - 1.40pm
Wednesday 11 th	Make a Sound - Music and Movement
Friday 13 th	The nursery phones will be out of service for 2-3 hours - please use email to get in contact on this day.
Tuesday 17 th	St Patrick's Day - School will close at 11.10am - Mrs Morrow's Class 11.20am - Mrs Jones' Class (children can wear something green)
Thursday 19 th	2 nd Shared Education Visit Room 1 travelling to Holy Rosary Nursery School
Friday 20 th	2 nd Shared Education Visit Room 2 travelling to Holy Rosary Nursery School
Week beginning 23 rd March	Arts week - Artist from Bryson Resource Centre working with the children on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
Monday 23 rd	Make a Sound - Sensory Story
Thursday 26 th	Mr Hullabaloo Easter Show - Interactive theatre

Monday 30 th March	Easter Egg Hunt Mrs Morrow's class 11am - 11.10am Mrs Jones' Class 11.20- 11.30am Last day before Easter Holidays
Tuesday 31 st March	Additional School Development Day - TransformED School closed to children
April	
Monday 13 th	Children return to nursery for Summer Term Parent/teacher consultation time sheets placed outside rooms.
Monday 20 th	Mrs Jones - Parent teacher interviews
Tuesday 21 st	Mrs Morrow Parent teacher interviews
Monday 27 th	Make-A-Sound Music and movement session
May	
Monday 4 th	May Day Holiday - School Closed
Tuesday 5 th	Transform ED addition school Development day - School closed to children
Wednesday 6 th	School Re-opens
Monday 11 th	3 rd Shared Education Visit Room 1 travelling to Holy Rosary Nursery School
Tuesday 12 th	3 rd Shared Education Visit Room 2 travelling to Holy Rosary Nursery School
Thursday 21 st	Nursery closes early for new children preparation
Friday 22 nd	Current children do not attend - Introduction day for children starting in September 2026 Nursery closed from Friday 22 nd May - Monday 1 st June
June	
Monday 1 st	School re-opens - normal time Please send in a white t-shirt
Friday 12 th	Shared Education visit to Streamvale Open Farm Pick -up normal time
Friday 19 th	Sports Day - Details to follow
Tuesday 30 th	Last Day of Nursery - Finish 11.30 (No dinners)

Songs and Rhymes for March

Five Little Peas

Five little peas
In a peapod pressed;
One grew, two grew,
And so did all the rest.
They grew and grew
And did not stop,
Until one day
The peapod popped!



There's a Worm at the Bottom of the garden

There's a worm at the
Bottom of my garden,
And his name is Wiggly Woo.
There's a worm at the
Bottom of my garden
And all that he can do
Is wiggle all day
And wiggle all night
The neighbours say
What a terrible fright!
There's a worm at the
Bottom of my garden,
And his name is Wiggly Woo

Five Little Speckled Frogs

Five little speckled frogs
Sat on a speckled log
Eating some most delicious grubs -
yum, yum
One jumped into the pool
Where it was nice and cool
Now there are four green speckled
frogs - glub, glub
.....**Four, Three, Two, One**



Little Peter Rabbit

Little Peter Rabbit had a fly upon his nose,
Little Peter Rabbit had a fly upon his nose.
Little Peter Rabbit had a fly upon his nose,
So he flipped it and he flopped it
And the fly flew away.

Powder puffs and curly whiskers,
Powder puffs and curly whiskers,
Powder puffs and curly whiskers,
So he flipped it and he flopped it
And the fly flew away.



5 Little Ducks Went Swimming One Day

Five little ducks went swimming one day,
Over the pond and far away.
Mother duck said, "Quack, quack, quack,
quack,"
But only four little ducks came back

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