

# Silverstream Nursery Unit



**May 2016**

**Dates for your diary:**

## **NURSERY AND SCHOOL CLOSURES**

**Bank Holiday:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2016

**Election day:** Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2016

**Exceptional closures:** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> 2016

**New Nursery Parent Meeting:** Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016

**Sports Day:** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2016

**Open Afternoon:** Mon 30<sup>th</sup> May 2016

**Summer Closure:** Last day will be Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2016. There will be no school meals served on this day.

**Next Term:** First day is Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016

## **NURSERY VISITS**

**Mambo & Jazz:** Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016 (in school)

**Fire Service Visit :** Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016 (on the bus to Carrick)

**Ambulance Visit:** Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2016 (in school)

**Greenmount:** Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2016 (on the bus)

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

The official supplier for the school is:

Gordon's, 10a Green Street, Carrickfergus, Tel. 028 93351246

Uniforms can be purchased here all year round. Summer dresses are now available.

### **Parents Stuff**

Don't forget there is a notice board in the corridor just for you! If you belong to any clubs or organisations within the local area you can advertise meeting times, dates or any special events.

### **Tesco & Sainsbury Vouchers**

The school will accept either of these vouchers so don't forget to collect them and bring them to the nursery. You might consider making a collection on behalf of the school in your work place by putting a box in a central position for people to deposit the vouchers.

### **Textile recycling**

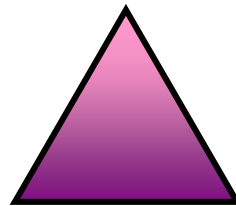
Don't forget that we have a textile bank in the playground. Just collect as many items of unwanted clothing as you can from friends and put them in the textile bank in the playground. The school receives cash for their efforts.

### **Tissues please!**

As usual, all donations of tissues would be much appreciated - thanks!



**This month: Colour: pink/ purple  
Shape: triangle**



### **Fire station visit: Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

We will be going to Carrick on the bus. We will be visiting the Fire Station and the museum to see the Victorian fire engine. We will then go to the park to eat our lunch. If it is raining the museum has kindly offered us a room to eat our lunch in. All children should wear sensible closed in shoes and bring a coat. A packed lunch will be provided.

On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April the Mambo & Jazz Health Action hero puppet show will be visiting the nursery. The children will be learning about healthy lifestyle choices through the puppet show. This visit is funded by the charity to educate the children AND to raise funds for the charity. PLEASE could you send in a donation for this very worthwhile cause.

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### **May Theme : People Who Help Us**

We are learning all about our local community, the types of people who are in it and how they help us in our daily lives. There will be a focus on the emergency services. We will explore the role of the police, fire service and doctors and when we might need them.

We are also lucky enough to have a visit from the local fire service and the community policeman. The police will be telling us about Stranger Danger and the Green Cross Code.

There will also be an opportunity to talk about the less obvious amenities, like, local shops, the Post Office, refuse collections etc. If you are one of these people please let us know and we can arrange for you come in to see us at story time to tell us about what you do.

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### **Maths Tip**

Know the numbers 999 so that you can use the telephone in an emergency!  
Know your house number and your address so that you can tell the policeman if you are lost.

Know the traffic light sequence.

There will also be a focus on comparative language. Ask your child - Which one is heavier?, Is this the smallest? Give me the bigger one.



### Language Tip:

There will be a continued emphasis on sequencing skills. In school we usually do this by retelling stories. At home you can help by sequencing daily events and encouraging an understanding of language. Ask questions like - What did you do then? What did you do before that? Then what happened? Learning about sounds is becoming more important for your child's development. Draw attention to sounds at the beginning of words and rhyming sounds.

### Independence:

Blowing your own nose!

Please remember to flush the toilet!



### Recycle your cast offs!

The nursery tries to use 'real' equipment but it often gets broken and replacing it is expensive. If you have any items that you no longer need, could you donate them to us? We would love:

Bathroom scales	kitchen scales	calculators
Cameras	mobiles	radios
Land line telephones	laptops	keyboards & mouse



PLEASE do not give us anything that you are undecided about. All batteries, sim cards etc. will be removed from items so no information will be retrievable and the items will be safe for the children.

Thanks to those who have already contributed

### Parent Questionnaire

Thank you so much for the positive comments in the questionnaires that have been returned; they were very encouraging. Your views are important and help us to meet parental needs and to appreciate parental values.

Happy birthday in May to:

6<sup>th</sup> May Perla Smyth

11<sup>th</sup> May Leah Grattan





Leyla helped the sick puppy.



Beau can sort by size.



Dylan loved the rabbit!



Lily Craig can milk a cow!

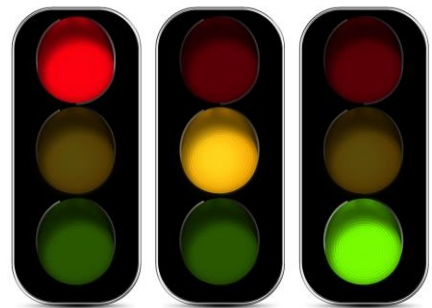
## SONGS and rhymes for the month

### Traffic Lights

Red on top says STOP.

Green below says GO.

Yellow says WAIT even if you're late!



### Firefighters At Work

Can you hear the siren? (Cup right hand to ear.)

Listen to it scream!

Can you hear the fire bell? (Cup left hand to ear.)

Do you know what they mean?

Here come the firemen (Run in place.)

Listen to them shout! (Cup hands around mouth.)

Pour on water! Pour on water! (With mouth cupped, shout this.)

Put the fire out! (Shout and pretend to squirt water from hose.)



### Traffic Light Snack

On a finger bap just add circles of pepperoni, cheese and cucumber for the colours of the traffic lights. And it's healthy too!

Match the driver to the vehicle.



