

September Newsletter



Our Topic

Observations

This month we will be learning all about Nursery Rhymes. The children will be encouraged to draw/paint Humpty Dumpty, Incy Wincy Spider, Baa Baa Black Sheep etc. We are completing Nursery Rhyme jigsaws, our home corner has become the Three Bears' House and in the water tray we have tea pots/cups etc. to link in with I'm A Little Teapot. Each day we will read fairy tales and sing Nursery Rhymes.

Over the year we observe the children completing various tasks. These observations help to inform our future planning and highlight areas for development for each child. During September we will be observing how each child is settling into the nursery, if they can follow the various nursery routines and who is beginning to understand the class rules.

To assist with this, you can encourage your child to become more independent by: letting them turn their own self registration cards around, hanging up their own coats, being independent at the toilet etc.

Colour and shape of the month

Red and Rectangle

Each month we will be focusing on new colours and shapes. Encourage your child to spot these in their environment. Sometimes we will ask your child to come to school wearing something which is the colour of the month. This month please wear one red thing (I think I am going to wear my red socks!) on **Friday 20th September**.

Dress Up Day

As a nice end to our topic we are going to have a dress up day on **Friday 27th September**.

We would love if your child could come dressed as a Fairytale or Nursery Rhyme character. We mean for this to be a low key affair and presume that most families would have some dressing up outfits or be creative and use what you can find at home...we can't wait to see you all!



Bright Ideas!



Each month in the 'Bright Ideas!' section I will give you a few ideas of things to do at home to support your child and extend their learning in relation to our topic. It may be something practical, an app or a website to visit or something to discuss.

This month, sing lots of Nursery Rhymes with your child. Why not muddle up a few words and see if your child notices...maybe Little Miss Muffet was eating a slice of toast instead of her favourite curds and whey? Encourage them to correct you and have fun with it!

We will be playing in the Three Bears' House. You could make porridge with your child and add different flavours. Talk to your child about what Goldilocks did. Was it a nice thing to do? Was it safe?

We will be talking about and reading some fairy tales. Visit the library. Can your child find fairy tale books on their own? How did they know it was a fairy tale?

A reminder that Ballymacrickett is a nut free zone.

Ballymacrickett Nursery participates in the Getting Ready to Learn initiative. This promotes links between parents and Nurseries and focuses on supporting you in supporting your child's physical and academic development. There will be information to follow including dates for information evenings, stay and play sessions and other exciting opportunities for you to be involved in your child's learning.

Happy Birthday to Laoise, Jaxon and Summer who all turn 4 this month! Enjoy your special day!

Dates to Remember

Monday 16th September- All children in Nursey from 9am-11:30am

Friday 20th September- Wear something red day

Friday 27th September- Dress up day

Monday 30th September- Children begin full day (information to follow)

