

Dates for Autumn Term

Focus Weeks:

Heritage Week - 16-.10.23

Rights and Respect Week – 13.11.23

Other dates:

Meet and Greet - 26.09.23 (9.00 am & 12.30 pm)

Heritage Month - October

Individual photographs: 6.11.23

Flu vaccinations - 9th and 20th November 2023

Parents Evening 06.12.23

EYFS and Y1 Nativity – 12.12.23 am and 14.12.23 pm

Y2 to Y6 Nativity – 15.12.23

Holiday Dates:

INSET on 20.10.23

Half Term - Monday 23th October till Friday 27th October 2023

Christmas Holidays – 20.12.23 (1:00 finish) until 04.01.24

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the Autumn term at Keir Hardie. We hope you all had a relaxing summer break and are ready for the jam-packed term ahead. Our topic this term is 'Magical Me' and we have many exciting activities planned ahead. A good relationship between home and school is important in children's learning. Please feel free to speak to us about your child's progress or any concerns you may have. Please remember to read with your child daily and to sign their Reading is Fun book. We really appreciate your support when it comes to the 50p donations. This helps us to buy resources such as play dough ingredients, cultural snacks etc.

Kind Regards
Ms Chapman

Nursery Staff 2023/24

Assistant Head of Early Years: Ms Nguyen

Nursery Class Teacher: Ms Chapman

Teaching Assistants and Additional Adults: Ms Kay, Mrs Sanjida and Mrs Dela Cruz

School Uniform

Children must wear navy blue skirt/trousers/shorts with a white shirt and blue jumper/cardigan. Black school shoes should be worn (No laces please.) If you send your child to school wearing wellies in bad weather, please make sure they have a change of shoes to wear inside. Keir Hardie uniform is available to buy at the school office.

Please make sure all clothing and belongings have your child's name written on them clearly so that they can be returned easily. Jewellery – Please make sure that children do not wear jewellery at school. Only small stud earrings are permitted.

PE and Home Reading

Drama sessions are on Wednesday's

Gym Tots sessions are on Thursday's

No PE kit is required.



Please ensure children are wearing appropriate clothing for gym (leggings/tracksuit bottoms/shorts/trainers/pumps)

Please ensure children are wearing jewellery, for health and safety reasons.

All children will need a book bag (No rucksacks please). Children will receive a reading book which will be changed once a week. Please make sure you read with your child daily and comment in their Reading is Fun book.

We open our doors for Parent Reading every Friday from 8.45 am to 9:00am & 12.15-12.30pm.

Friendship Friday

On the last Friday of every month we celebrate friendship as a whole school. On this day we ask for the children to wear denim jeans. Each child will have a friendship Friday T-Shirt which is kept in school to wear as part of the celebration.

We will be...

- Happy to say goodbye to our parents/carers when entering Nursery.
- Building relationships with our key workers.
- Learning about good choices.
- Beginning to make friends.
- Expressing our own preferences and interests.
- Playing with other children.
- Becoming familiar with the Nursery routine.

We will be...

- Listening to and joining in with nursery rhymes.
- Listening to simple stories and talk about what is happening.
- Listening to and responding to simple instructions.
- Beginning to talk about our feelings.
- Beginning to talk about things we like.
- Listening to others with interest.

We will be...

- Sharing books with adults.
- Responding to the pictures and words in stories.
- Sharing our own ideas about characters in books.
- Using props to tell stories.
- Noticing print and logos in the environment.
- Enjoying drawing and mark making.
- Beginning to talk about the marks we make.

We will be...

- Expressing out ideas through mark making.
- Developing our pretend play, by imitating the actions we see adults doing.
- Exploring a range of sound makers and instruments.
- Enjoying taking part in action rhymes.
- Using recycled materials to make simple models.
- Exploring different ways to join materials.

We will be...

- Becoming more independent when using the toilet.
- Developing our fine motor skills, through 'busy hands' activities.
- Developing our gross motor skills in the outdoor learning area.
- Developing our movement and balance in Gym Tots sessions.
- Building with a range of resources.
- Practicing putting on our coats and jumpers.

**Expressive
Arts and
Design**

**Personal
Social and
Emotional
Development**

**Communication
and Language**

**Autumn 1 Term
Magical Me**

Literacy

**Physical
Development**

Mathematics

**Understanding of
the World**

We will be...

- Exploring natural materials.
- Beginning to notice differences between ourselves and our friends.
- Learning about the life cycle of an owl.
- Beginning to talk about the people in our families.

We will be...

- Taking part in finger rhymes with numbers.
- Beginning to show numbers on our fingers.
- Practicing our counting skills.
- Beginning to compare amounts, saying 'more', 'lots', 'same'.
- Building with a range of resources.
- Playing with simple jigsaws.
- Beginning to recognise amounts up to 3, without counting.