

Nursery Spring Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Spring term 1 at Keir Hardie. We hope you all had a relaxing break and are ready for the jam-packed term ahead. Our topic this term is 'Houses and Homes' and we have many exciting learning experiences planned. 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 2023/2024

Assistant Head of Early Years: Ms Nguyen

Nursery Class Teacher: Ms Chapman

Teaching Assistants and Additional Adults: Mrs Kazi, 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.

Dates for Spring Term

Focus Weeks:

World of Work Week - 05.02.24

Other Dates:

Deadline for Reception Admissions - 15.01.24

World Book Day - 07.03.24

Comic Relief / Red Nose Day [Pupils wear red] - 15.03.24

Parents Evening - 20.03.24

World Poetry Day - 21.03.24

Last Day of Spring Term [Pupil finish at 1pm]- 28.03.24

Holiday Dates:

INSET Day - 09.02.24

Half Term - Monday 12th Feb 2024 - Friday 16th Feb 2024

Easter Break - Friday 29th Mar - Friday 12th April

PE and Home Reading

Drama sessions are on Wednesday's

Gym Tots sessions are on Thursday's

Children dressed in PE kit at home.

Please ensure children are wearing appropriate clothing for gym (Navy/Black leggings/tracksuit bottoms/shorts/trainers/plimsolls) Please ensure children are not 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. Book bags can be purchased from the school office. 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 9:00 am & 12.15-12.30pm.**

Reception Admissions 24-25

Please note that applications for a reception place need to be completed by 15th January 2024. If your child was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 please apply online.

We will be:

1. Playing with other children and extending our play ideas.
2. Developing a sense of responsibility.
3. Selecting and using resources to achieve a goal.
4. Talking about how we feel.
5. Beginning to understand how other might be feeling.
6. Developing our independence.

We will be:

1. Beginning to follow two part instructions.
2. Listening to longer stories.
3. Talking about the stories we hear.
4. Answering 'who, what and where' questions.
5. Using sentences of 4 - 6 words to communicate our ideas and feelings.
6. Using story language to tell longer stories.

We will be:

1. Practising tracing our names.
2. Beginning to write some of the letters in our name.
3. Talking about stories we have heard.
4. Using new vocabulary we have learned.
5. Making marks to express our ideas.
6. Beginning to recognise words with the same initial sound.

We will be:

1. Exploring different materials freely.
2. Using different materials to express our own ideas.
3. Exploring colour and mixing them to make more colours.
4. Adding more detail to our drawings.
5. Exploring musical instruments and discovering ways to play them.

We will be :

- 1) Increasing our independence when putting on our coats.
- 2) Practising doing up zips and buttons.
- 3) Continuing to develop our balance and movement.
- 4) Developing our scissor control.
- 5) Developing our ball skills.
- 6) Practising hopping, skipping and standing on one leg.
- 7) Continuing to develop our pencil grip.

We will be:

1. Exploring collections of materials.
2. Developing a positive attitudes about the differences between people.
3. Using our senses when exploring natural materials.
4. Talking about what we see, using a wide vocabulary.
5. Finding out about different jobs during World of Work Week.
6. Looking at different types of homes from around the world.

We will be:

1. Exploring and creating patterns.
2. Beginning to correct mistakes in repeating patterns.
3. Exploring and talking about 2D and 3D shapes.
4. Beginning to recognise numerals up to 5.
5. Beginning to match numerals to groups of objects up to 5.

