



## Loughgiel Early Years Pre School News Letter March 2018



Our New Theme is **SPRING** We will be learning about new life – Any visitors to talk about new life are very welcome.

We would like to wish you all a Happy Mother's Day



### Home Links

#### Parent/Teacher Meetings

If you wish to discuss your child's progress please feel free to make an appointment at any time.

Maths Training for Preschool child.

We have recently attended training in the area of Maths development for preschool children. This was very interesting and reinforced our knowledge while providing new idea and activities to introduce with the children from preschool through to Primary 3. This course pinpointed the value of using natural loose materials for sorting with a focus on noticing similarities and differences in a wide range of materials. If any parent would like more information please get in touch.

### Dates to Remember

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> we are having a St Patricks Day celebration. Children can wear their ordinary clothes or dress in Green. We will have some Traditional Irish Music, Song, Dance and Games. All parents are welcome from 11.30am.

**St Patricks Weekend** 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 2018 March  
 Closed (20<sup>th</sup> Staff training)

**Easter** 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018  
 Closed Returning on Monday 9th

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April**, pre-school closed for a training session for all staff members.

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### After schools Club

We will be having a St Patricks Day celebration on Tuesday afternoon; all children are welcome to wear green or ordinary clothes. We will have some music, song and dancing.

Please keep practising your tunes. All the children are doing very well. If any child would like to enter competitions the Antrim Fleadh is coming up in April in Rasharkin and Feis Na Gleann will also be coming up soon also.

### Pre-school Toy/Dress Up Donations

Thank you so much for your donations to date.



### Important:

Please remember to inform us if your child is not attending either pre-school or After schools Club.

### Getting Ready To Learn Programme

We have purchased some lovely new sports equipment as part of the Getting Ready to Learn

**Please remember...** Due to Safeguarding and Child Protection children must be collected from the centre by parents or those with parental responsibility or persons authorised by them to do so. Unless they are parents, persons authorised to collect children must be aged 18 or over. Thank you

Programme. This links in with one of our areas of development...We are introducing new games to support further development of the children's physical skills and all round development also.

Action songs and Rhymes to Practice at Home

**SOMEBODY'S WAKING UP**

Somebody's waking up, sniff, snuff.  
 Somebody's waking up, sniff, snuff.  
 A wriggle & a stretch & a yawn so wide,  
 Come on little hedgehog, peep outside

-----dormouse-----  
 -----brown bat-----  
 -----badger-----



**WET, WET, WET** (Tune to – If you happy and you know it)  
 The rain dropped onto my head,  
 The rain dropped onto my head, The rain dropped onto my head.  
 I think I'm gonna get wet, wet, wet!

The rain dropped onto my nose, -----  
 chin, -----  
 ears, -----  
 neck,

**DANCE WITH YOUR FINGERS**(Tune to – Any Music)  
 Dance with your fingers, dance with your toes,  
 Dance with your elbows, anything goes.  
 Sway to the left & sway to the right.  
 If you really want, you can dance all night!



We love Mothers

We love Mothers  
 We love Mothers  
 Yes we do  
 Yes we do  
 Mothers are for hugging  
 Mothers are for kissing  
 We love you  
 Yes we do.



**SPRING IN MY TOES** (Tune to – She'll be coming round the mountain)  
 I've got spring, spring, spring in my toes, I've got spring, spring, spring in my toes. I'm skipping along, Singing a song;  
 I've got spring, spring, spring in my toes. -----hopping- -----  
 jumping -----running



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