

# Omagh County Nursery News



## January 2021



**Theme: Winter Wonderland.**

### Learning Experiences:

- Painting with 'cold' colours.
- Reading stories about winter and the polar regions
- Playing imaginatively with toys related to the polar regions and winter.

### Nursery Dates:

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January-** new term begins

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January-** Nursery will finish at 2pm for essential staff training.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January** - online applications open at 12 noon for September 2021 admissions to nursery and Year 1

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January-** online applications close at 12 noon.

### Nursery and Year 1 Application Forms

The Nursery and Year 1 applications can now be completed online from 7<sup>th</sup> January at:

<https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions>

Applications must be completed by 12noon on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January.

**Parents of our younger children please note... you must reapply online for your nursery place next year.**

### Coats, Puddle Suits and Wellies

Unfortunately, the cold weather at this time of year means that it is too uncomfortable to play in our puddle suits with our table-top toys and activities outside. However, we will visit our garden if possible and so do please continue to send wellies in to school with your child.



We aim to play outside on our climbing equipment, trikes and scooters whenever it is safe to do so and therefore a warm coat and hat are recommended every day.

### Absence

Although your child does not have to attend Nursery every day (it is not mandatory), could you please inform Ms Bunce of the reason for your child's absence as this information is required by the Department of Education, Northern Ireland (DENI). An email is probably the best means of communicating this information at present.



### Clothing

Please make sure that all your child's clothing is clearly named, including shoes and coats (show your child where the label/name is) as jumpers are removed to play at the water tray or when children become too warm indoors.



### Supporting Families:

Some families may be 'Home schooling' older siblings this week while schools are closed to most pupils due to COVID 19 restrictions. While working with your child/children is vitally important, so is the mental and physical well-being of the whole family. If any family is struggling to provide heat or food for their family, or struggling in any other way, please email Miss Funston at: [jfunston506@c2kni.net](mailto:jfunston506@c2kni.net) or ring school on 02882 242642.

Anything shared will be completely confidential and if as a school we can support families in any way or signpost you to an agency who can, please do not be embarrassed or afraid to do so.