

# Ballyoran Nursery

## Newsletter May 2026



### News Diary dates



The Nursery will be closed on Monday 4th, Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th May. Jo Jingles will visit the Nursery on Wednesday 27th May. The cost of this is covered by Nursery Fund. The children will be visiting Tannaghmore Gardens with Bocombra Nursery for Shared Education on Thursday 21st May. More details to follow. Nursery will finish at 12.15pm on Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th May to facilitate the Induction Meetings for children starting Nursery in September 2026.

### Some questions to encourage your child to tell you about their day in Nursery:

- What did you have for snack/ dinner today?
- Tell me what you played with outside today.
- Who were you playing with today?
- Tell me about the story the teacher read.
- Did anything funny happen today?
- What did you like about Nursery today?

### Fun ideas

As we come into the nicer weather, here are some ideas to try...

- \*Go into the garden to explore Minibeasts.
- \*Have a picnic at the park.
- \*Keep up the bedtime routine, reading a story before bed.
- \*Help your child to practise riding their bike.
- \*Go on a colour hunt with your child- finding objects of different colours. "Can we find something that is blue?"
- \*Encourage your child to look for numbers outside- car registration/ door numbers etc.

### Theme for this month Minibeasts



We are going on a **Minibeast Hunt** around the school. We will be reading books about minibeasts and learning about their characteristics.

We will practise our counting up to ten when we count their legs and spots.

Our shape focus will be a '**Rectangle**' and we will be going over all colours.

Some children are needing a lot of support using scissors. Please encourage your child to use scissors (under supervision) to cut out simple shapes and to hold them correctly.

### Symbol changes

Our symbols have now changed to first names. This is in preparation for the transition to Year One as we try to ensure each child recognises their own name before the end of June.

### Show and Tell

Show and Tell will be on Friday 22nd May. Please send an object of your child's favourite colour, that will fit into their tray, to talk about.



Happy Birthday



**Righnach**

**Sonny**

