

## Weekly Learning Letter

Friday 10th November 2023

### This week in Nursery:

The children have really embraced our focus on emotions this week, talking about how they feel and joining in with lots of different activities. These have included making feeling face biscuits, masks, meditation, creating their own Colour Monsters, using mirrors to look at how their faces change when expressing feelings and working together on emotion jigsaw puzzles. We are encouraging the children to use feeling words as well as the three zones, blue, green and red to describe how they are feeling. If your child mentions any of these zones, do take some time to see if they can explain which feeling they are trying to express.



This week we also introduced an array of new builder's tools and safety helmets to the outside area which the children have loved. They have been busy fixing our climbing apparatus, the garden shop, and in fact anything they deem needing a makeover! In other areas, we have enjoyed making poppies and learning about why poppies are worn during the month of November. Being only 3 and 4 years old, we have talked about poppies being a way of remembering how people today and in the past, help us to feel safe and we have used this beautiful short animation to support this. [Poppies - CBeebies - BBC](#)



We ended a busy and enjoyable week with activities celebrating Diwali, making Rangoli patterns and lamps, as well as listening to the story of Rama and Sita.

### Things to Note:

- **Kilmorie Winter Fair – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November Donations to our Role Play Areas**

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As Christmas approaches, we hope to see you at the Kilmorie School Christmas Fair. It's always a fun event to get in the mood for the festive season and raise some much-needed funds for the school.

- **Donation for a Decoration – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November**

As part of our weekly Stay and Play sessions, we would like to invite you to a special family event, 'Donations for a Decoration'. This will be an opportunity for you to spend some time creating a decoration with your child for the Nursery Christmas tree, in time for our special Christmas performance! Any donations will go towards resources for the Nursery. There will be two sessions and these are as follows:

- 8.45am – 9.25am
- 12.30 – 1.30pm

Please also bring in autumn leaves, conkers and pine cones.

- **Christmas Season Singalong – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

We would also like to invite you to a seasonal performance by your wonderful children. They have been working really hard with Emily in preparation for the event and are already getting excited! There will be two performances, and after each performance there will be time to enjoy a mince pie or two and an opportunity to talk with other parents and staff. The times are as follows:

- 10.45 – 11.15am
- 2.30pm – 3.00pm

Happy Diwali to those who will be celebrating and we hope you all have a lovely and restful weekend. Fiona will be mainly walking her dog and eating, Katrina is off to see a comedian at the theatre (proper going out), Sophie will be at Kew Gardens enjoying the autumn colours, Liz will be glued to the tele watching Strictly and Tracey will be resting after finishing her Christmas shopping already!

Liz, Katrina, Sophie, Tracey and Fiona