



KILMORIE

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 19th June 2026

Nursery

Weekly Learning Letter

This week in Nursery

This week has been filled with beach days, pirate adventures, ice cream parlours, hair salons and shape shops and we even had a special visit from Mrs Fruitbat from Paris (more on her later!) The children as always have thrown themselves into everything on offer!

A firm favourite of course, has been the ice cream parlour. The children have been busy taking turns to serve one another, carefully making cones and confidently asking their friends about their favourite flavours. It has been wonderful to hear their conversations, negotiating roles and sharing ideas. As part of our seaside theme, the children have also been exploring the sounds of the sea. During carpet sessions, they listened carefully to the different sounds of the sea—calm and gentle, then rough and stormy—before using their own voices and bodies to recreate these sounds. This sparked great excitement and imagination, which carried on outdoors as the children worked collaboratively to paint a large sea and beach scene on the whiteboard



Pirates have also been a huge highlight, with lots of spontaneous and imaginative play taking place. The children worked together to build two large pirate ships using blocks for the ships and broomsticks for the oars and then they set sail across the “seven seas.” During carpet time, we linked this to our maths learning by sharing treasure between five treasure boxes, carefully counting and matching amounts to the correct numerals.



Indoors, the children have continued to show their architectural skills by building zoos and pet shops for the wooden animals, talking together along the way what each of the different animals need. They thought carefully about how to construct their spaces depending on the size and type of animal. Using wooden blocks, this has linked nicely to our shape work. The children have created their own shape books, identifying familiar shapes and even inventing their own. We extended this further during carpet time with a visit to the “shape shop.” Katrina needed help choosing a gift for her friend Mrs Fruitbat, who only likes shapes

with three sides and three corners. The children worked together to identify the correct type of shape suitable for Mrs Fruitbat’s gift.

Another exciting addition this week has been the opening of Kilmorie’s Hair Salon, which has been great to ready ourselves for the seaside! The children have loved taking on different roles, booking appointments and looking after their clients. This imaginative role play has really supported their confidence, communication skills, and understanding of the world



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around them and of course their hair cutting skills. So, if you need a quick hair do, facial or make over, please drop by!

Alongside this, the children have done lots of writing while creating their Father's Day cards. We have been so impressed not only with their developing early writing skills, but also with their enthusiasm and willingness just to have a go.

In cooking, we enjoyed making pirate-themed ice cream cones, and the children were involved in every step—cutting pineapples, crushing biscuits to create “sand,” and sprinkling coconut for “sea foam.” These hands-on experiences are a great way to continue to support their fine motor skills development, so important for all the writing to come.



We've had a wonderful week as usual, but sadly half way through the week, we discovered that our second fish had died. We gently explained to the children what had happened and talked about how fish do not live for very long, so don't be surprised if your child might mention it. Luckily, we were quickly distracted by a quick visit to the Reception outside area, which the children loved!

We hope you have a super smashing weekend. And see you on Monday.

Amy, Tracey, Katrina, Fiona and Zindzi

Things to Note

The warm weather!

As the weather warms up again, please ensure your child comes with a sun hat and that sun cream is applied before they arrive at nursery. We are encouraging the children to drink lots of water and we will ensure they have rest periods out of the sun throughout the day.

Sharing Real

Sharing REAL is a free programme for parents and carers of children aged 0–5, helping families to support language, communication, and early literacy through everyday activities at home. Families will receive practical ideas, resources and support to make learning together fun, meaningful and part of daily life. Attending the course will allow families to network with others, share ideas in a safe and encouraging space as well as build confidence on home learning



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This fun 4 week course aims to build your confidence in how you can support early literacy within your home and help your children's learning and development in communication and language.

- Meet other parents and carers.
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Nursery Graduation Friday 10th July 2026

On **Friday 10th July**, we will be holding the Nursery Graduation and End of Year Celebration event. It will be held in Mayow Park from 11.00am – 2.45pm. A separate letter has been sent to parents and carers with more details. Please note that nursery will be closed that day and children who attend the event, will need to be accompanied by their parent(s) or carer.

This is a lovely opportunity to celebrate the children and say goodbye to those who will be moving on to big school, so we hope you will all be able to attend on the day.

Transition from Nursery to Reception

Drumbeat are running two workshops covering strategies and useful ideas for parents of children who have social communication differences or a diagnosis of Autism who are starting Reception in Sept 2026. Please see below for more information.

- **Supporting Transition from Nursery to Reception - Tuesday 14th July 2026 - 10-11.30am - In person, Drumbeat Turnham.**

- **Supporting Transition from Nursery to Reception - Tuesday 14th July 2026 - 6-7.30pm - Online.**

Our workshops are free to all parents. If you have any queries at all, please contact outreach.admin@drumbeat.lewisham.sch.uk

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