

A decorative border of colorful fish, primarily orange and black striped, surrounds the text. The fish are arranged in a slightly wavy line along the top and bottom, and in vertical columns on the left and right sides.

# January Nursery Newsletter

Welcome to January's Nursery Newsletter, it is lovely to welcome the children back after the Christmas break and to hear all their news! Our topic for January is 'Underwater World'. We will be learning to identify different sea creatures in the underwater world. We will be looking at the different environments that these sea creatures live in e.g. penguins and polar bears live in very cold arctic seas whereas tropical fish would be found in more warmer climates.

During January we will be encouraging children to be able to do the following:

- Show kindness and empathy towards their friends and aim to get their photo on our Nursery friendship flower.
- Be confident to speak out in front of peers when sharing weekend news or during circle times.
- Change shoes and coat independently for outdoor play.
- Begin to use knife and fork to cut up food during lunch.
- Begin to recognise numbers to 5 and touch count with 1 to 1 correspondence.
- Begin to re-tell a story through looking at the pictures in the book.
- Develop scissor skills.


## Nursery Snack Fund

Monthly £15 Termly £45








This covers snack, educational visitors and extra resources that we purchase for the class (books, toys etc). Please remember to pay this on the School Money App.



## Applying for a P1 Primary School Place




We hope you have enjoyed watching our virtual open day tour which can be found on the school website. If you have any questions about applying for a place in Dundela Infants' School, please just let us know as Ms Wilson and the P1 teachers are more than happy to answer these!






### **Information from Education Authority website:**



**The application process will open at 12noon on 10th January 2022 and close at 12noon on 28th January 2022.**



**The parental admissions portal will go live in January and will be accessed through the Education Authority's website: -**



**[www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions](http://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions)**




**Parents will be able to submit their online application form through the portal and upload the documents required.**











**Information on our school criteria will also be available through this EA website.**










**During the admissions procedure applications are not considered on a 'first come first served' basis.**



**An application received after 12 noon on 28th January 2022 will be treated as late. Parents must submit documents in support of their application, or any new additional supporting information that was not available at time of application before 12 noon on Friday 4th February 2022.**



**The Education Authority will open the online Citizen Portal for parents to view the outcome of their Nursery and P1 application on Thursday 28th April 2022.**



## Songs and Rhymes for January

These are some songs and rhymes we will be learning in Nursery during January:

### **I'm a Fish**

Sung to: "Little Teapot"

I'm a little fishy, I can swim

Here is my tail, here is my fin.

When I want to have fun with my friends,

I wiggle my tail and dive right in!



### **Five Little Sea Creatures**

Five little sea creatures

On the ocean floor;

The lobster walked away

Now there are four.

Four little sea creatures

Living in the sea;

The octopus crept away

Now there are three.

Three little sea creatures

Wondering what to do;

"Good-bye," said the starfish

Now there are two.

Two little sea creatures

Not having much fun;

Off swam the sea horse

Now there is one.

One little hermit crab

Sad and all alone,

Back came all the sea creatures

Then all five went home.

