



October 2025

Newsletter

Welcome

As the first month of Nursery draws to a close, we wish to welcome everyone. It's wonderful to have so many familiar faces back this year, as well as lots of new faces. The new children are almost all in now and they are settling well. Thank you to all the parents who have been working so well in partnership with the Nursery team to get children settled and happy in their class group.

Working with parents and carers is very important to us, because by doing this we achieve the best possible outcomes for children. We want every child to do well.

Please help us by keeping in touch- we like to know if there is anything your child loves at home, or if there is anything you and your child are finding challenging. The staff team have a wealth of experience and knowledge, and they may be able to help you. We also have access to a range of services that may be able to offer additional help and support.

We have a Family Worker, Haleema Hussain (pictured) who is available most of the week to support families.



In addition, I try to stand at the door at drop off and collection times. Please do speak to me if I can help in any way.

Nikki Cary, Headteacher.

Children's Learning

So far this year the focus of learning has been on settling into Nursery happily and developing positive relationships with adults and also the other children. Children have been learning routines like wearing an apron when painting and when playing with water.

Staff have been working hard to support all children in learning about our Nursery values. These include:

- We are kind and friendly
- We look after ourselves and our friends
- We take care of our nursery and the environment
- We listen to each other
- We keep trying

Please try to help your child to understand these values by using them at home. For example you could encourage your child to share by saying "We are kind and friendly" or to tidy by saying "We take care of our toys."



Coffee Mornings/Afternoons

Coffee Mornings/Afternoons are an informal opportunity to chat to each other and nursery staff, especially the Family Worker.

Some of these coffee mornings/afternoons will include a parent workshop, giving ideas to support with different areas where you may need advice or support.

The dates for coffee sessions this term are as follows:

- 7 October at 10:30am or 1:00pm
- 21 October at 10:30am or 1:00pm
- 11 November at 10:30am or 1:00pm
- 25 November at 10:30am or 1:00pm
- 9 December at 10:30am or 1:00pm

Clothes for Changing Into

Your child should have a bag on his/her coat peg. This bag should stay at Nursery. Please ensure that your child has a change of clothes in this bag. This way we can change your child if he/she gets wet. Please ensure that all clothes are marked with your child's name.

If your child wears nappies then please ensure that there are nappies in the bag. If your child does not have nappies in his/her bag and he/she needs changing we will charge you £1 for a nursery nappy.

The children spend time outside each day. Here are some photographs of children learning outside. Please ensure that your child is appropriately dressed for the weather each day.

Term Dates

Autumn 2025

27 Oct- 31 Oct- Nursery closed for half term

19 Dec- Last day of term

Spring 2026

7 Jan- Children return to Nursery

16 Feb- 20 Feb- Nursery closed for half term

27 Mar- Last day of term

Summer 2026

15 April- Children return to Nursery

4 May- Nursery closed for bank holiday

25 May- 29 May- Nursery closed for half term.

17 July- Last day of term



Parent Governor Vacancies

Rothesay Nursery has a Governing Body. This Governing Body gives the school strategic leadership and has oversight of the schools educational and financial performance. We need **one** parent governor who would like to volunteer to help us ensure the best possible outcomes for children. You don't need to be an expert on finance or education, we just need enthusiastic and committed parents. Governors meet online 6 times a year (normally in the late afternoon.) If you are interested in helping the school then please talk to Nikki Cary about the role.