

KIRKTONHOLME NURSERY @ COATBRIDGE

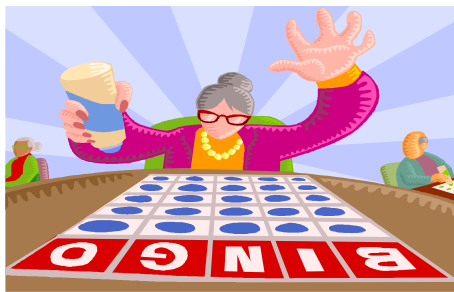
We hope you had a lovely Christmas and would like to wish you all a happy and healthy New Year.

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Fundraising

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Please see a member of staff regarding tickets.



Recycling

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Dates for your diary

Wednesday 25th January

Robert Burns Day

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Ladies bingo night

(in Nursery)

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Manager: Elizabeth Cairns

Transitions

Transitions are underway for children and staff moving rooms, letters and transition information has been distributed. If your child is involved in transition this term and you have any questions or have not received your information please contact Lizz or your child's keyworker.

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Oliver is now feeding himself.



Outdoor Learning

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For the children's comfort can they please bring a pair of slippers to change into while in Nursery.

Can you please check that your child has a spare set of clothes on their peg and that all items still fit.

Butterflies Room.

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Birthdays this month

Jamie will be 2 years old.

We hope you have a lovely day.



Learning Focus

Curiosity

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****Counting****

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We welcome Cassiah, Teighan, Alexander and Jamie who are moving from The Little Caterpillars Room and Alex who will join us at the end of the month.



As the rooms are becoming busier could we ask that if you are sending a hot lunch that you please heat at home and send in a flask.

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Staff

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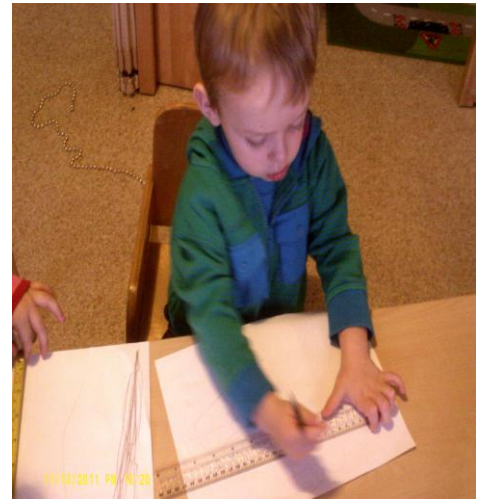
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Using the tools



Lucy used the saw to cut the wood.



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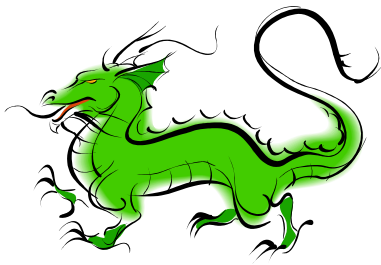


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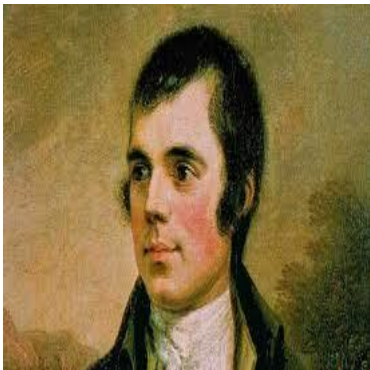


Our learning

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We will explore Scottish poetry and songs for Burns Day, We will have a Scottish snack of haggis, tatties and neeps on Wednesday 25th January.

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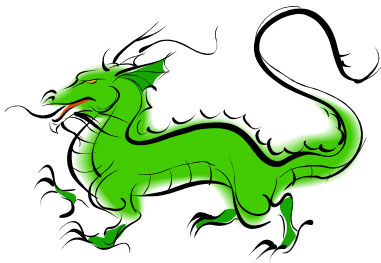


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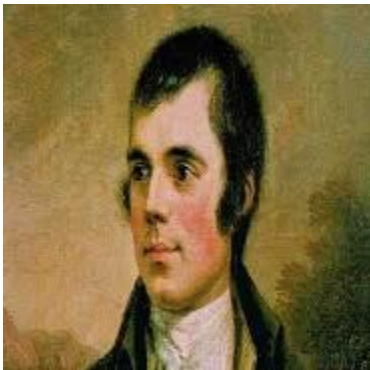


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