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July Newsletter 2016

Policy of the Month

Our policy of the month is displayed on the main front door. Our policies for parents can be found on the small table displayed outside the office.

The policy this month is **Biting**. If you would like a copy please see Selina in the office for a printed version.



Open & Closing Times

Our nursery opens from 7.30am and closes promptly at 6pm

Please note that the staff will not be able to accept your children before 7.30am and must be collected by 6pm leaving time for a staff handover.

The morning session start at 7.30-12.30pm

The Afternoon sessions start 1.00-6.00pm



<u>Transitions</u>

This is the time we start to settle the children into their new playrooms for the new term starting in August, your child's existing keyworker will co-ordinate the transition and information to support your child's move.

Football Gary

The new session fees will be issued for Football Gary. A consent slip will be issued for you to agree for your child to take part in these session. If you do not require your child to participate in these sessions on a Thursday PM please inform the staff.



Welcome to new staff

We would like to welcome the following staff to our team

Gillian Stewart in the 3-4 room supporting Sharon and her team

Megan Frost and Lauren McTaggart who are our new trainee support workers in our nursery.

Topics and Learning Experiences

Our children in the 3-5 area throughout the summer have been looking at spaces and places. As a lot of children will have been on holiday and have been on outings and day trips through the summer months. Our 2-3 children are looking at Summer weather experiences and the babies are having messy summer activities.

Out of school care & Holiday Club

As we have had so many families take up the spaces for our out of school care and holiday club this year, we are now operating a waiting list for certain days of the week. At this point looking forward, we have very limited spaces for August 2017 for primary 1 children starting school next year, so if you're thinking you might need space for your wee one for next year then please register your interest on our waiting list.



Notification of holidays and absences

To ensure our staff rotas are correct we must remind parents to notify us of children's holidays and absences. Holiday forms can be found outside the office on the notice board. Once the forms are completed please hand into the office for Selina to add to your child's attendance.

Please also ensure you call the nursery if your child is absent for any day.

Parent Council new members

Our parent council will soon be looking for new recruits, please see Selina in the office if you are interested in joining our fun team.



Active Kids Vouchers and Resources This is the selection of items chosen by the children with the vouchers which have been collected



Development Priorities 2016

This year our development priorities for the nursery have been identified as the following:

- Outdoor play and experiences
- Literacy opportunities throughout the nursery
- Building the ambition document training and supporting our children's development
- Self-Evaluation and training using the new "How good is our Early Learning and childcare" document
- Leadership and professional learning

As we are working in partnership with South Lanarkshire Council we always strive to provide a quality establishment, which provides the highest standard of early years' education and childcare, therefore moving forward is essential for our staff team development.