

# September Newsletter 2016

## Welcome

We would like to welcome all of our new children and families who have recently joined us after the summer months.

If you have any questions or queries, please feel free to contact Selina in the office or give her a call on: 01698 710941



## Out of School Club

As we have seen a huge increase of new service users to our Out of school care facilities, we would like to ask all parents to drop off and collect their school children from the Out of School entrance.

The main nursery entrance should only be access by nursery children and we ask that children who now attend out of school care do not walk through the nursery to avoid the children becoming confused by new and old faces in nursery.



## 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 **Business Gifts**. If you would like a copy please see Selina in the office for a printed version.



### Term Time Dates and Holidays

<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Pupils Finish</b>	<b>Pupils Return</b>
Start of Term	*****	Monday 22 <sup>th</sup> August 2016
September Weekend	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2016	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2016
October Break	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2016	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2016
In service Day	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2016	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2016
Christmas Break	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2016	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2017
February Break	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> , Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> , Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2017
Easter Holidays/ Spring Break	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2017	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
May Day	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2017	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2017
In service day	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2017
Local Holiday	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2017
Summer Break	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2017 <b>AM session only</b>	*****

### Staff Training

This month our staff will be having in house training on Early reading strategies and developing schemas in our youngest children, we are committed and focused in providing the best early years educational experiences possible for our children.

### Congratulations to Leigh Ann Thomson

We would like to announce the safe arrival of Sophia Rose Vassie born on 11th. September 2016  
Both Leigh Ann and Sophie Rose are doing well and have even popped to visit us in Nursery.



### Goodbye to Miss Stephanie Black

Unfortunately we are losing Miss Stephanie to another nursery in Glasgow, we are very sad to see Stephanie leave but we understand staff have to move on from time to time. We wish Stephanie luck in her new nursery. Stephanie's last day will be Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016.

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016 The Barnehage is holding its first Macmillan coffee Morning.

Sharon Bett will be organising this event and a poster and leaflet will be sent out detailing the time and some home baking donations to be handed in on the morning of the event.



### Outdoor Learning

We are focusing on our outdoor learning experiences within the 3-5 rooms, we have already been up to the woods for forest school experiences on several occasions so far since the start of term. To continue to allow all children to engage fully in these experience please can you ensure you child has an all-in-one waterproof suit and wellington boots. Please can all items be labelled and left on your child peg.

### Changes in staff in nursery.

A little note to keep you updated with some small changes in staff.

Melissa Malcolm has moved in to Snowdrops from Out of School Club and Gillian has switched roles and has moved into afterschool.

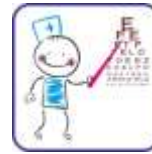
Lauren Taylor is returning from Maternity Leave and will be returning in the Poppies room.



### Visual Screening

Our visual screening will be taking place on the Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September and Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

There is a poster displaying the event happening around the nursery. The dates displayed are wrong as the Thursday session has changed to the Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016.



### Payment of Fees

Please could all parents ensure their child's fees are paid at the start of the month and any vouchers can be sent as soon as possible?

If you have any queries regarding fees please come into the nursery and speak to Selina OR Hazel.



### Curriculum Open Evening for Pre-school and Anti Pre-school (3-5 Room)

On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016 we will be holding our annual Parents Curriculum Evening. This is an opportunity for you to come in and learn more about the importance Early Years holds in the preparation for moving from Nursery in to Primary.

The staff will talk you through the activities and the value they hold in the children's development and scaffolding their lifelong learning.

Please note this is not a Parents evening and your child's individual progress will not be discussed at this evening.

### Halloween Party

Our annual Halloween Party will be held on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October Hillhouse Community Centre 10am-12pm.

Family Tickets will be £3.00 each and can be bought from the office.

Fancy dress is optional and we do ask if scary masks can be avoided.

