

A FEW REMINDERS

PARKING

Please do not park in the bus bay in front of the nursery. There is a designated car park for parents to use at the bottom of Blairmore Road

CLOTHING

Please change your child's shoes when you come into nursery.

Please also ensure that coats, sweatshirts etc are all labelled with your child's name.

SNACK FUND

We ask for a voluntary contribution of £2 per week. This helps us to provide daily snacks and also helps us to purchase resources and provide treats for the children that our nursery budget does not cover.

SIGNING IN AND BADGES

Please sign your child in and out of nursery using the sheets that are in the corridor beside the cloakroom.

Also, please come into the playroom with your child at the start of the session and bring your child to get their badge from their Group Lady and order lunch.

Please make sure you give your badge back at the end of the session so the register can be kept up to date.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 3 September

Nursery closed for holiday

Tuesday 4 September

Nursery closed for in-service training



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Welcome back to all of our pre-school children who are returning to nursery and a big welcome to all new children and parents who will be starting with us over the next few weeks. The Parents' Room is available to use when settling your child. We are delighted that our new 2-3 room is now up and running and our new children are settling well.

STAFF NEWS

We are delighted to welcome three new members of staff this session. Esther Smith and Arleen Ptolomey are both experienced Early Education and Childcare Officers who will be working in our 3-5 room. Alison Renton has also joined our staff team. Alison is employed as our Early Years graduate and will be working with all of the children in the nursery. Jade Rocks is currently off on maternity leave until next summer. Jade had a beautiful baby girl in July.

GYM HALL

The children in the 3-5 room will be using the school gym hall on Tuesday mornings and Wednesday afternoons. Children in the 2-3 room will also be using the hall on these days. Please ensure that your child is not wearing earrings or any other jewellery on our gym days. Inverclyde Council policy states that children who are wearing earrings are not permitted to take part in physical activity.

FOREST SCHOOLS

Our Forest visits for children in the 3-5 room will start again after the September weekend. The visits will take place on Monday and Wednesday mornings. We will continue to use Ardgowan Forest at Inverkip. The children love their trips to the forest. You will find out all about the trips when you come along to our Parents' days (see below)

LUNCHES

All children are entitled to free school meals as part of the pilot project giving all children full-time nursery places. A menu is included with your newsletter. Menus are displayed in playroom every week and you will also find them on our nursery Twitter.

MEET YOUR CHILD'S KEYWORKER

Please come along and meet your child's keyworker and find out about all of the exciting activities that your child will be taking part in during their time at nursery. All of the meetings will last for an hour. Come along at **9.00am** and have cup of tea and a chat. Mrs Chalmers and Miss Martin's parents: **Monday 10 September**
Miss McConaghy and Mrs Wines' parents: **Tuesday 11 September**
Mrs Arnold, Mrs Ptolomey and Miss Smith's parents: **Thursday 13 September**.

TWITTER

Follow us on Twitter @blairmore1. We regularly add lots of lovely photos and keep you up-to-date with everything that is happening in the nursery.

BLAIRMORE BLETHER

Come along at **9.00am on Thursday 30 August** for a cup of tea and roll. Jacqui, the Family Support Worker will have a chat about classes and courses that will be starting and information about the home lending library. Please return your questionnaires as soon as possible.

ECO SCHOOLS SCOTLAND - MEETING FOR PARENTS

Our first meeting of the session will be held on **Monday 24 September at 9.00am**. Please come along and join us. We will be looking at ways in which we can further involve our children and parents in our current Eco action plans.