

## **LANGUAGE AND LISTENING GROUPS**

Over the next few weeks the children will have the opportunity to take part in small group sessions to develop listening and talking skills. Heather, Bernadette, Agnes and Yvonne who work in the Language Centre at the nursery have some time available over the next few weeks and will be working with small groups once a week.

## **MACMILLAN "WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING" WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER**

Please come along and support our MacMillan coffee morning in aid of MacMillan Cancer Care and help us raise money for a good cause. Parents and relatives are all welcome to come along. Donations of home baking will be gratefully received.

### **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 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. This is a means of registration and lets us know when your child arrives at nursery. Please make sure you give your badge back at the end of the session so the register can be kept up to date.

## **BLAIRMORE NURSERY SCHOOL**



Some children from our Eco Committee went along to Cappielow to take part in an award ceremony for our Green Flag. Find out more inside.

**Newsletter  
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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 for you to use when settling your child.

### **STAFF NEWS**

Miss Anne McArthur has been with us for the last six months. Her post has now been made permanent and we would like to welcome her to the staff team on a full-time basis.

### **HOURS OF ATTENDANCE**

A wee reminder of the hours that children should attend.

Children who attend in the mornings should attend 8.45-11.55.

Afternoon children should attend 12.30-3.40.

Children who attend all day Monday/Tuesday and Wednesday morning should attend 8.45-3.30 on Monday/Tuesday and 8.45-11.55 on Wednesday.

Children who attend Wednesday afternoon, all day

Thursday/Friday should attend 12.30-3.40 on Wednesday and 8.45-2.45 on Thursday/Friday.

We would be grateful if children could be collected promptly at the end of the session. Children should be collected and out of the cloakroom by 11.55 and 3.40. This allows staff time to tidy up for the next group of children arriving. We appreciate your help in this matter.

### **MEETINGS FOR PARENTS - WEDNESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER**

**9.00AM AND 12.30PM**

Please come along to our first Parents' meeting of the new term. You will have the opportunity to find out more about our literacy and physical activity bags and how you can use them at home to help your child learn.

We will show you the resources we use at the Forest and chat about how the visits are organised.

We will also show you our programme for helping children to understand their emotions. It is called Paths (Promoting alternative thinking strategies.)

### **GYM**

The children will be using the school gym hall on a Tuesday afternoon and a Thursday morning. 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.

### **LITERACY PROJECT**

The literacy project will start again on Wednesday 2 September. Books will go out every second Wednesday and should be kept at home for one week. Last session we also introduced physical activity bags that can be taken home. They will also start again on the following week.

### **FOREST SCHOOLS**

Our Forest visits will start again after the September weekend. The visits will continue to take place on Monday mornings and Friday afternoons. We will continue to use Ardgowan Forest at Inverkip. The children have really enjoyed the visits. Please come along to our Parents' meeting on 9 September to find out more about the activities the children take part in.

### **ECO SCHOOLS SCOTLAND**

We were delighted to be invited to Cappielow Football Club on Wednesday to be presented with our Green Flag by the Minister for Sport, Jamie Hepburn MSP. A letter is included with your newsletter giving information about our award.