

Kintore School Nursery

Term 2

Dear Parents/Guardians

November 2018

Parent Helpers

We would like to offer you the opportunity if you so wish to come along on a Wednesday to help out in the Nursery. We aim to have two parents for each session. A sheet will be up for both sessions on the notice board for you to place your name against the Wednesday of your choice on a first come basis. This will be offered in the coming terms as well and on different days to allow you every opportunity to participate.



Cafes

The children have been working hard in Nursery this term and we are hosting Cafes to celebrate and share their work with you. Family and friends are welcome to come along to the Cafes and the children will be happy to help serve their guests.

Our Cafes this term are as follows:

- Tuesday 20th November - Red, Yellow and Green Session 1 at 9:30am - 10:30am
- Tuesday 20th November - Red and Yellow Session 2 at 2:00pm - 2:45pm
- Wednesday 21st November - Blue and Purple Session 2 at 2:00pm - 2:45pm



Talking Boxes

As discussed at the workshop, this is a project that we started in the Nursery to further develop listening and talking skills. By now you will have received your Talking Box letter. If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff.

We will be starting Talking Boxes week commencing Monday 5th November

- Week of Monday 5th November - Red and Yellow Groups
- Week of Monday 19th November - Green and Blue Groups
- Week of Monday 26th November - Purple Group

Please don't worry if you don't have it ready on the first day as you can imagine we might only do a couple a day with each group.

World of Work

Thank you to the Parents who have offered to come in and give a talk. A member of staff will confirm suitable dates with you.

Children In Need

After last years success, we have decided to raise money for Children in Need again. On Friday 16th November, the children are invited to wear spotty clothes or their pyjamas for a £1 donation. We will also have various stalls set up in the cloakroom, for example, guess how many sweets in the jar, guess Pudsey's birthday, leading up to the day.

We hope to have a hamper to raffle and we would welcome any donations. Donations can be dropped off and placed in the box provided outside the Nursery.



St Andrew's Day



We are going to have a St Andrew's Ceilidh on Friday 30th November and if the children want to, they can dress up in something tartan to help us celebrate this day in the Nursery. We will be taking part in various Scottish themed activities such as dancing, singing and stories as well as having a Scottish snack. We are also pleased to welcome Laura Duncan in to play the bagpipes at our Ceilidh.

Christmas Concert

Our Nursery Christmas Concert will be on Thursday 13th December in the School Gym Hall in the afternoon for Session 1 and Session 2 will be on Friday 14th December in the morning. More information will follow nearer the time.

Cold Weather Clothes

Please can we remind you to make sure your child has a coat and any other warm clothing as needed. This would allow us to be able to go outside to play or on our walks around the school.



Profiles

The children are very excited to share their profiles with you and are available to view on a daily basis in our cloakroom area. Please feel free to take time to sit and look at them and please sign and date once you have finished. We would love to share any comments you have made with your child.

There is also a place within the profile where you can share and record an achievement that you and your child are proud of from home, family or their wider community (e.g. scoring a goal at football, sleeping in their bed for the first time, counting the objects in their toy box etc.) Please feel free to write in what they have achieved yourself or help them to record their own news.

Get Together Cafes

These are held in the Rainbow Room on the first Wednesday of each month where you will have the opportunity to meet other Parents. Should you have any requests for guest speakers we will try and facilitate this. In the past we had a Parent who is a dietician who gave an informal talk on healthy eating.

Margaret Bennett Workshops

Our Early Years Development Worker, Margaret Bennett has offered to meet with Parents and their child to sing songs and play games. This is a great opportunity to promote literacy within the Early Years. Please confirm your attendance by completing the form attached.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 7th November ~ Parent Coffee Get Together, 10:15am and 2:00pm

Monday 12th November ~ In Service day

Tuesday 13th November ~ In Service Day

Wednesday 5th December ~ Parent Coffee Get Together, 10:15am and 2:00pm

Friday 21st December ~ Christmas Party

Monday 24th December to Friday 4th January ~ Christmas Holidays (inclusive)

Thanks again for all your support
The Nursery Staff

Margaret Bennett Workshop (Songs and Games)

I will attend Wednesday 14th November at 11:00am or 12:15pm

I will attend Friday 23rd November at 11:00am or 12:15pm

I will attend Thursday 29th November at 11:00am or 12:15pm

I will attend Tuesday 4th December at 11:00am or 12:15pm

I am unable to attend

Child's Name: _____ Session: _____

Parent Name: _____ Date: _____

Guest Speaker Suggestions

Please write down any suggestions you may have for a professional to meet with you informally at the coffee get togethers.

Thank You