



Newsletter April/May 2015

To All Parent/Carers

We are now in our last term of this year, it has really flown and hard to believe that there is only 10 weeks left of this academic year.

We sadly said goodbye to Maja and her family on Friday, they have moved to Tough. We wish them well and will keep in touch.



Trip to MacDuff

I hope you agree that our trip to the Aquarium was a successful one and enjoyed by all, especially the story telling!



Development Plan – Garden Area

A HUGE thank you to everyone who has helped reconstruct the garden and a special thanks to Callum Hunter's dad who has attach the ladder, pipes and old heater to the fences and Cullen's dad who has created a fantastic double mud kitchen. The children love it and we have had comments saying 'I thought you said we could play here all day!' 'Can we play in the garden today?'

We intend to give the children a daily choice to be in the garden as we still have jobs that need to be done. Can you please ensure that they have appropriate footwear (wellies) daily to allow them to join in?

2's Group

Sinead and Kathleen would also like to use the outdoor area with the 2's group. Could parents please insure that the children wear old clothes, sunhats and wellies. Waterproof jackets and trousers will be provided by playgroup. This will be weather depending and suncream must be applied by parents before arriving.

Development Plan - Provision Inventory

As previously mentioned Chloe and her family assisted us with this task. It has already been put to good use, with the children choosing the quiet area provision. This task will be completed before the end of term, anyone able to assist during the session please let Yvonne know.

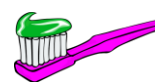


Old Rayne School have invited us along to their book fair this Friday. The books are reasonably priced and normally £5-£10 is sufficient to buy 1-2 books. If you wish your child to buy any books please bring money in an envelope with their name on it and amount. Again if anyone wishes to walk with us up/down to school your help is appreciated.



Vision Tests

Pre-school children will be receiving a vision test on Friday 15th May, consent forms will be handed out once we received them.



Childsmile

Please see separate Childsmile letter re tooth brushing. A tooth brush and paste pack will be handed out to funded children after the May holiday.

Reports

Due to Yvonne's hospital visit and absence over March/April, we are now scheduling that your child's report will be out by the end of May followed by Parents meetings.

Term 4 Playgroup Timetable

The group timetable has been adjusted to allow staff members to develop their skills in different areas. (please see attached)

Show & Tell

Summer Term Ends: 3rd July

As this was very popular with the children we would like to invite the children to bring in any treasures to share with us on a Monday or a Friday.

Thanks

Yvonne, Sinead, Kathleen, Heather P, Susie and Heather K.

Tuesday/Wednesday Pick up

Can we please request that you pick up your child sharp on Tuesdays/Wednesdays? This is to allow staff to make a quick change over for the 2's group and have their lunch.

Transition to Primary One

For the children moving on to Primary one, we will be liaising with your child's school re transition over the next 2 weeks. We also ask if you can keep us up-to-date of any days your child will be visiting their new school.

To support them in this transition we will be asking the children to change into gym kits (shorts and t-shirts) for the gym sessions on Wednesdays. Please keep a spare t-shirt and shorts in their bags.

Only applies to children going to school

Fund Raising

Please remember to give Katrina Wilson any goodies to sell at the car boot sale on the 31st May. All items excepted and can be dropped off at playgroup by 20th May.



In the month of June we planned to organise the following events:

- 40th Birthday Coffee Morning
- Sports Day/Picnic at the Park
- End of Term Show/Certificate Presentation



Dates for your Diary

May Day Holiday – Monday 4th May

Polling Day - Thursday 7th May

Holiday - Monday 1st June

(There will be no Playgroup on the above days)