

Lilliput Nursery Newsletter



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Welcome to our Newsletter

Nursery Update

Staff Update

We would like to welcome Kelly Ann Lindsay to our team. Kelly Ann was successful in our July interview, we held for a qualified member of staff. Kelly Ann brings a wealth of experience in the Curriculum for Excellence and is currently working alongside Eve in the Pre-school room. Kelly Ann also has a degree in Mathematics.

Kirsty is currently having a stint in the baby room.

Dean McKean was unsuccessful in his probationary period and has since left the Lilliput Team. Jade Webster and Rosie Bailey are progressing well with their SVQ 3 and hope to qualify by the end of the year.

Staff Training

Future training booked includes Challenging behaviour, First Aid and Food Hygiene. We will also be doing an update on Child Protection.

Eco Schools Venture

Emailing Invoices

We currently issue all monthly childcare invoices to parents by paper copy. Following discussion with our software provider, we are now able to distribute these by email each month, thus reducing our impact on the environment by saving paper and ink. Please ensure we have the appropriate email address you would like us to send your invoice to. In the next few days we will send out an email from the emails we hold asking you to contact us if you would like us to send invoices to an alternative email. Please be reassured our software provider confirm the integrity and confidentiality of this service.

We will continue to issue monthly invoices on the 1st of each month. Direct Debit payments will be taken between 7th and 10th of each month.

Please note that going forward if you have provided us with an email address on your child's enrolment form, we will now send future newsletters via email.

Please also help us by recycling your old ink cartridges!

Reminders & Diary Dates

Our Parents Forum will now take place on Wednesday 14th September at 6.30pm. If anyone wishes to join please speak with Michelle or Kirsty. Look out for our Parents Focus wall over the coming days – we will be making these displays interactive to ensure that we receive feedback from all service users.

Thank you to all parents who submitted recent questionnaires. The feedback is located on the main stair well wall.

Upcoming Events –

13 September – Roald Dahl day

17 September – 2nd October – British Food Fortnight

25 September – Harvest festival

30 September – St Andrews Day

You can help your child extend their learning at home by doing activities. Please let us know if you would like to contribute any ideas.

We have submitted our application for Pre-school funded places and are currently awaiting to hear back. I will keep parents update with any progress.

Welcome	Good Luck/Farewell	Happy Birthday
Ross Pritchard	Ryan Bendowski	Abbie McDermott (4)
Mahi Das	Lewis Campbell	Harrison Brown (2)
Andrew Fleming	Kailin Davids	Jude Swan (2)
Issac Wilson	Jack Carlisle	Ross Pritchard (3)
Corey Tabb		Megan Beveridge (1)
Caiden Holder		Sean Ray Nicolson (4)

OUR BABY AND TWEENIE ROOM NEWS

In Babies, we have made a black and white sensory area which is looking good. We have lots of black and white resources such as necklaces, hats, bags, bangles beads, trinkets etc. All the children have had great fun playing with these and making hand and footprints using black and white paints.

We are in the process of updating our birthday display and are asking for some photos when we were tiny babies – thanks to all parents who have handed this in.

We have also had great fun playing in our sandpit and water tubs – making lots of splashes!

Some of us have started crawling and are almost walking now! We have been using the push along toys to help us move.

In Tweenies we have been busy learning our colours, shapes and numbers and have made a display.

We have been on lots of walks and outings with the babies and have been watching the flowers and animals while out in the Glen.

Our latest theme is transport and we have been naming all the different types of transport while outside. This has helped us with our colour and number recognition.

We have also been doing hairdressers as part of our role play. Many thanks to the parents who gave us resources from their shops and homes.

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PRE-SCHOOL ROOM NEWS

Pre-school have recently been talking about My Family and people who are special to them. We would appreciate if you could supply us with some family photos for a display.

We have also been discussing foods and our favourite foods to eat. We have been drawing these on paper plates and they look good! This will be ongoing through British Food Fortnight. You can help us by visiting local supermarkets and Farmers markets to look at all the different foods available. There is a Farmers Market at Crossgate in Cupar on Saturday 17th September and one in Kirkcaldy Town Square on Saturday 24th September. Both markets run from 9.00am-1.00pm.

We have been doing lots of music and drama and our favourite at the moment is the wiggle and jiggle cd by sticky kids. Eve will also be helping teach us some dance moves. Some of our Pre-schoolers have been showing us moves from their dance classes.

Sadly, we said goodbye to our hamster Truffle who became unwell. The children have been discussing going to the vet and what happens when we die. We have a lot of feedback from the children who have been discussing this at home with their parents. If any parents would like help with this subject, please do not hesitate to speak to staff who will help.

We will be talking about Scotland for St Andrews Day on 30th September – If you have any resources at home please allow your child to bring to nursery for a show and tell.

We are looking for some recycling from home for our junk modelling. We would greatly appreciate any old rolls of wallpaper or dress ups that you no longer need.

Nursery Photographer

The photographer will be at nursery on Tuesday 25th October. Please look out for details coming soon on the notice board.