

## Dalbeattie Nursery Class Newsletter: 6<sup>th</sup> February 2013

### Holidays

The children will be on holiday on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February (Holiday) and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February (In-set days).

### Absences

If your child is absent from Nursery, please phone or send a message to let us know why your child is off (e.g. illness, tiredness, day out, family holiday).

### Care Plans

As you are aware, we have updated our procedures to include care plan interviews with parents. Thank you for participating in the care plan interviews. If you have been unable to attend your appointment, please make an alternative time with Mrs Mackenzie. Care plans now need to be reviewed every six months with parents while a child is attending Nursery. Please remember to keep us up to date regarding any new phone numbers, allergies, medical details, etc. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

### Pre-School Enrolment

\*Parents of children who will be attending Dalbeattie Nursery next year for their Year 2 provision will receive a form on the week commencing Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February to complete and return to the Nursery.

\*Parents of children who are due to attend in August 2013, January 2014 and April 2014 need to attend pre-school registration on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February. New enrolments require proof of birth (e.g. birth certificate) and proof of address (e.g. electricity bill).

### Planning

Following a survey in the last newsletter, most parents have asked for term plans to be sent home. The plan for this term has been sent out with this newsletter. There is also a parent planning sheet to complete as an optional activity with your child for some of the topics coming up this term.

### Research Project- "Plan, Do, Review"

Thank you to all parents who have returned the permission slips. We will be implementing the "plan, do, review" format in all the key worker groups at Nursery on several days a week from next week. We are hoping this approach will help children to be more involved in planning their learning and promote thinking skills. If you have any questions about the "plan, do, review" approach, please speak to Mrs Mackenzie.

### Visitors/ Special Events

\*On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February (Afternoon session) and Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February (Morning session), we are delighted to have visitors who will come to the Nursery to talk to the children about visiting the Arctic and Antarctica and the animals that are found in polar regions as part of the children's current topic about polar animals.

\*On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February, Tony Bonning will be presenting a Chinese New Year show for the children in the Nursery in both the morning and afternoon sessions. The playgroup children will be attending too as part of our transition programme of events and visits. The Nursery and Playgroup are covering the cost of this and there is no charge for parents to pay for this. We are looking forward to this fabulous opportunity for the children!

