

Welcome back to a new term where adventure awaits!





It has been a fabulous summer and all our staff, children and families have had some wonderful adventures here at the Family Centre. Festivals, visits to ABC Park, A Fire Engine visited us and a trip to Norwood Nursing Home to name but a few. As we welcome our term time staff and families back to nursery we have also enjoyed meeting our new children and their families into the playrooms. We hope to continue to build relationships with you all and welcome you into the centre for a variety of events, workshops and meetings where we can work together again!





Sir Harry Burns

We were delighted to receive an extremely generous donation from Sir Harry Burns and his wife of £5000 to contribute to our development of our outdoor learning area including the wilderness area



Outdoor Learning



Our Notice Board

We are very excited about our current plans for the wilderness garden. This includes a fabulous outdoor classroom which will enhance our outdoor learning.

Having asked staff and children what they would like to be included we are interested in our parent and cares thoughts also. Please email your thoughts to

schoolmail@arthurlie.e-renfrew.sch.uk

Ideas have included chickens, rabbits, calm quiet spaces and storybooks.

We have applied for a grant from East Renfrewshire Renewable Energy fund and are hoping to be successful.

Depute Head of Centre

While Rosalind Robertson is on secondment we are happy to appoint Zoe McNeill who will be our Acting Depute Head of Centre.



Staff changes throughout the centre

Baloo Baleerie

Purple Group Laura McAleer and Amy Bilham

Amy has joined our team during the Summer break.

Yellow Group Lauren Young, Alison McGinley (Job Share) and Lauryn Bell (Job Share),

(Lauren has joined BB from Zickety Dickety Dock)

Aiken Drum

Blue Group Janet Walker and Frankie McCann

Green Group Louise Fisher and Victoria Fernan

Red Group Zoe Freeman and Kayleigh Fernan

(Zoe has joined AD from Baloo Baleerie)

Yellow Group Andrew Pollock and Cheryl Anderson

(Cheryl has joined AD from Baloo Baleerie)

Ally Bally Bee Playroom

Blue Group Laura Moffat and Michael McCann

Green Group Derek Scott and Emma Collins

Pink Group Gill Egan and another CDO, TBC

Until this appointment Gill will be supported by Deborah Christie

Purple Group Sana Iqbal and Catriona (Tina) Maloney

Yellow Group — Jennifer Adams and Cloe McLeish

Zickety Dickety Dock Playroom

Blue Group Abbie MacAlister and Gail Clark

(Gail has joined ZDD from Aiken Drum)

Green Group Sara Duffy and Kimberly O'Donnell

Pink Group Elaine Rowand, Natalie Tracey (Job Share)

Purple Group Stephanie Harkins and Karen Lindsay

(Karen has joined ZDD from Aiken Drum)

Yellow Group Clare Logue and Stewart Watson

Please label all personal items!

It is extremely important that **all items**, including spare clothing, footwear, outdoor suits and wellies, bags and boxes are able to be identified. Staff will write names on any items that are not labelled. This avoids confusion and loss of items in busy playrooms. Soft shoes for indoors are required to ensure our soft furnishings remain clean and tactile for the comfort of the children.

Toyfund



All new parents will shortly be receiving their ParentPay letters, this allows you to pay the suggested weekly donation of £3.00 online. This donation allows us to provide extracurricular activities for the children e.g. baking, gardening and sensory activities. It also helps us to fund occasions such as Easter, Halloween and Christmas.

Come and Join us!

We have some great opportunities for families to come into the centre and get involved.

Stay and Play - where you can play alongside your child in their playroom and get an idea of what they get up to at nursery! Look out for the dates on Seesaw!

Learning for Sustainability - Join us for litter picking, gardening, cooking and baking at a day and time that suits you. You might also wish to contribute to our Eco Committee and RRSA - Rights Respecting Schools Award group. Please contact us to find out more!

Family Events - Eco fashion show, Pumpkin Picking, Dough Disco, Christmas present wrapping, Enterprise work, Toy Swap, Community Day, Play Talk Read, Crafts, and much, much more! Look out for more information on Seesaw!

Please let us know what you would be interested in and if you have a talent that you would be willing to share with us please do. In the past we have enjoyed Storytelling, music workshops, traditional recipes, short talks about your profession and grandparents please join in too!

Arthurlie Family Explorers



Tuesday 10th September 2024 930am - 1030am Thursday 12th September 2024 2pm - 3pm

Join us for a literacy workshop and the launch of our Lending Library.

Singing and Junk Model Instruments





Book on parent booking group.



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International Cookbook

We are very interested in receiving your traditional home recipes which we hope to collate into a cook book to be part of our enterprise topic.

The more exotic the better!

Write down or email your recipe to us and we will try to include as many as we can, feel free to include a photo of the dish too and we can illustrate the book.



Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 10th September Thursday 12th September Monday 16th September

Monday 23rd to 26th September

Friday 27th September
Monday 30th September
Tuesday 1st to 3rd October
Monday 7th to 11th October
Friday 11th October
Monday 14th to 18th October
Monday 28th to 31st October
Monday 11th to 22nd November
Monday 18th -22nd November
Monday 16th to 20th December
Friday 20th December
Tuesday, 24th December

Literacy Workshop am Literacy Workshop pm MART and Parental Employability Information Session Maths Week Scotland Find lots of ideas on Seesaw this week September Weekend Centre Closed September Weekend Centre Closed Photographer Eco Fashion Show In Service Day Centre Closed Term time October week Centre open **Pumpkin Picking** Parent Consultations Book Week Christmas Activities Close for Christmas (Term Time) Close for Christmas (48 Wk Children)

Outdoor Suits and Wellies

- Despite the weather, we do go outside every day so please ensure your child has their own named outdoor suit and wellies.
- Thank you!



Playroom Fun







Ally Bally Bee

We have been loving getting to know our new friends and finding out all about them at together time!

We don't let the rain stop us having fun!

Team games in the hall help us with our co-ordination and listening skills.



Zickety Dickety Dock

We have been exploring the playroom and working together to build amazing towers and taking care of the babies.

We have had fun outdoors in between showers exploring the slides and our new rowing boat!





Aiken Drum

Despite the weather the boys and girls have been working together building obstacle courses outdoors and splashing in muddy puddles!

They have also been learning about the importance of brushing their teeth regularly.









Baloo Baleerie

Our youngest children are getting to know each other and have been discovering the joy of bubbles in the garden