



Carlibar Family Centre News

NOVEMBER 2014

Nights drawing in for winter at Carlibar

Dear Parents/Carers,

Autumn is well and truly here and now with the clocks changing we will be into the dark and frosty mornings as we head into winter.

Many of you will know that I had a fall in September which resulted in a short absence from work until after the October holiday. I missed all the children very much and I cannot believe how settled all our new children are since I last saw them. I am enjoying catching up on the children's progress and development.

Our Curriculum Evening is on Monday 10th November. I hope to be able to have a chat with parents that night when you will have an opportunity to see how we lead and support your children's learning through play.

We have such a busy month in December as we head towards Christmas. Please can you note down the dates in your diary for all the events we hope we can share with you.

I always like to hear if you have particularly enjoyed an event, or, your child expressed a real excitement in their learning. Similarly, if you have a concern or wish to know further information about any aspect of the work of the Family Centre, please use any of the suggested ways to contact us. We will get back to you and help in any way we can.

As always, thank you for your on-going support.

Kind regards,
Stephanie MacIntyre
HEADTEACHER

Care Inspectorate

Last week we had an unannounced visit from the Care Inspectorate. This audit is routine for all agencies that provide care to children to children, young people and the elderly.

Our last inspection by the Care Inspectorate was in October 2011 which was a joint inspection with HMLe. May I thank all the parents who took the time to complete the questionnaires in September and the parents who gave up their time to come in and be interviewed during the inspection.

When the report is published we will let parents know that it has gone "live". In the meantime, further information about the Care Inspectorate can be found on the following website link.

<http://www.careinspectorate.com/>

Coming to Nursery

We encourage children to attend nursery every day so that they get used to the routine, form strong relationships with their friends and make good progress in their learning.

We monitor children's attendance very closely and ask for your support in making sure your child comes to nursery every day that they can.

From time to time your child may be unwell and have to stay at home so that you can take care of them, when they have sickness or diarrhoea they need to stay at home for 48 hours after their last bout to prevent the spread of infection in the nursery.

Morrisons Collect and Grow

If you have any Morrisons 'Collect and Grow' vouchers (see below) please post in the collection box in the foyer.



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Children in Need 2014

Children In Need is on Friday 14th November and this always proves a great opportunity for the children to learn about the lives of others.

This year we will have a "Pudsey Pot" in the foyer where we would appreciate any of your spare change.

The children are also going to be working hard creating something special for you which we will be selling for a small donation.



Parking

The Family Centre morning session now starts at 8.35am. This should mean that there may be less congestion in the car park at 8.50am.

We will continue to monitor the situation, but, in the meantime may I ask you all to observe road markings and to travel carefully when driving in the car park.

The safety of all our children is of paramount importance to us all.

Wrap Around Care

Early morning, lunch, evening and holiday wrap around service is available to everyone to purchase.

If you are interested please speak to Miss Wright

How well is your child progressing?

All of our staff in each playroom work with all of the children to support their learning across the curriculum.

Each week, staff meet to talk about children's learning and this information is compiled in your child's personal learning profile folder which will be sent home three times each year but is always available in the playroom for you to look at. You will also have the chance to look at it when you come in for play and learn together sessions.

We are looking at new methods of reporting to you about your child's learning and would welcome any ideas or suggestions you might have. Parents often tell us the children do not share information about their day in nursery therefore we are going to introduce "ask me about" stickers.

The aim is to encourage discussion at home with a prompt from nursery related to an activity your child has been actively involved in. As always, we would welcome your feedback.

CARLIBAR FAMILY CENTRE DIARY

Play and Learn Together

Monday 3rd November - purple, blue and pink groups
Wednesday 5th November - green, silver and red groups
Friday 7th November - orange, white and yellow groups

Parent/carer consultations

Monday 17th November - purple, blue and pink groups
Wednesday 19th November - green, silver and red groups
Friday 21st November - orange, white and yellow groups
Monday 3rd November - 2.30pm parent council meeting
Monday 10th November - 6pm-7.30pm parent/carer's event
Friday 28th November - Christmas Fayre (6pm until 8pm)
Wednesday 10th December - Nativity
Tuesday 16th December - Christmas party
Friday 19th December - Close for Christmas holidays
Monday 5th January 2015 - Nursery re-opens

If the suggested date for play and learn together or the consultation is not suitable please speak to your child's keyworker and we will find a date that suits.

LET US KNOW...



If you have any suggestions, complaints or particularly liked anything your child has been learning about at Carlibar, please let us know.

Alternatively, you could email us at schoolmail@carlibar.e-renfrew.sch.uk

If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, could you complete your email address and return this to us, or, e-mail the school.

Your child's name: _____ Class _____

Contact email: _____