



## Head Teacher's Message

Families,

I can hardly believe we are already in May! The nursery is full of excitement and energy as the children continue to grow, learn, and amaze us each day. It's such a joy to see their confidence blossom as we move towards the final part of our nursery year together.

As we look ahead, I would like to remind you about two special events coming up. Firstly, we are looking forward to celebrating our Preschool Tie Ceremony. This is always such a memorable occasion, as we mark an important step in the children's journey as they get ready to move on to primary school. The Tie Ceremony is a wonderful way to recognise their achievements and all the friendships, learning, and fun they have shared during their time with us.

I'm also delighted to share that a Wellbeing Event is being organised in partnership with our associated primary schools. This event will be an informative evening focused on supporting your child's wellbeing and learning. It will be a fantastic opportunity for families to come together across Mearns Castle Cluster, explore new ideas, and enjoy an evening of information centred on children's wellbeing. Registration information and QR code is contained in this month's newsletter.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It's a privilege to work alongside you as we help the children prepare for their next exciting chapter. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or if there's anything we can do to support your child. Wishing you all a happy and sunny May!



# Sun Safe Policy

We hope you've all been enjoying the better weather recently. At Hazeldene, we have used this opportunity to annually review our Sun Safety Policy. Should anyone wish to see the policy in its entirety please speak to Justin but please review all pertinent information below:



## Shade

- The nursery gardens have shade provided either by outdoor play room, canopy, trees and we use temporary 'den' canopies etc, particularly important for use during outdoor play during hot and sunny conditions.
- Children will be encouraged to use the shaded areas during outdoor play as appropriate.



## Clothing

- The children will be encouraged to wear clothes that provide good sun protection.
- Parents/guardians will be duly informed of the importance that children come to nursery with appropriate sun hats and wearing sunscreen.
- The nursery will provide spare appropriate sun hats and **at least** Factor 30+ on site at all times. The preferred sun lotion the Family Centre uses is Nivea Sun Factor 50+, providing immediate 5 star UVA protection.



## Drinking Water

- Children are encouraged to increase their water intake in hot weather and are encouraged to drink water provided outside during outdoor play in hot weather.
- Fresh drinking water and glasses will be available for children to access freely at all times.
- Staff will refill the water jugs after each nursery session and ensure there is an adequate supply of glasses



## Sun Cream

- Parents should apply sun cream to their child **prior** to them coming to nursery.
- On enrolling their child at Hazeldene Family Centre parents must complete a Sun Cream permission form that gives consent for staff to reapply sun cream.
- When parents provide sun cream it **must** be labelled with **the name of child, date the cream was bought and expiry date**. Without all of this information, staff will be unable to reapply personal suncream.

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- Sun cream must be applied 15 minutes before going outside and reapplied as required. The preferred sun lotion the Family Centre uses is Nivea Sun Factor 50+, which provides immediate 5 star UVA protection.
- Staff will make day-to-day decisions about the length of time spent outside dependant on the strength of the sun on a daily basis.
- It is important that every child in the nursery has access to a suitable sun hat. Should a child not arrive at nursery with a sun hat then they are free to borrow a nursery sun hat.
- If children are playing in water outdoors then sun cream must be reapplied when they have finished playing.

## Hazeldene's Nursery

### Sun Cream is Nivea Sun

#### Factor 50+



if you're providing  
your own sunscreen:



child's full  
name



date of  
purchase



expiration  
date



## Sponsored Water Carry

**Massive Thank You** for your active involvement in our sponsored 'Safari Extravaganza' water carry this week. So far, we have managed to raise a staggering £750!!

This will make a phenomenal difference to WaterAid who will now be able to purchase:

- **a well and a rope pump for 120 people**
- **five life-saving toilets**

WaterAid is an international not-for-profit, determined to make clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene normal for everyone, everywhere within a generation. Since 1981, they've directly reached 27 million people with clean water, 27 million people with decent toilets, and 21 million people with good hygiene.

Also, a huge 'Thank You' to Emily, Gillian and Robert for their organisation of a superb Safari Extravaganza and being great Safari Guides!





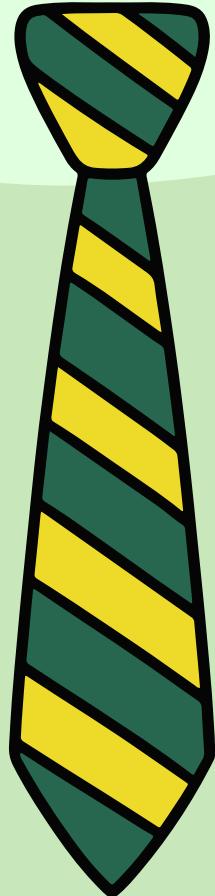


# PreSchool Tie Ceremony

Due to the way we have organised our keyworker groups this session, we only need to have one Tie Ceremony - which means we can really focus on celebrating our Preschool Children and wishing them all the best for their move to Primary One!

This year's Tie Ceremony will take place on

**Thursday 19th June @ 1:30pm**



*Hankies at the ready!!*

# Wellbeing Matters



## Event



The Mearns Castle Cluster is hosting an evening dedicated to exploring various ways to support your child's wellbeing and learning.

The event will begin with a registration period featuring a variety of stalls for you to browse. This will be followed by a presentation from the Educational Psychology Team of East Renfrewshire Council (ERC), offering valuable insights into supporting children's development.

After the presentation, you will have the opportunity to participate in two interactive workshops, each lasting 30 minutes, allowing you to engage in hands-on learning and discussions.



### SAVE THE DATE

More details on registration to follow ...



Monday

19th May 2025

6-8.30PM

Mearns Castle High School

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### Event Details:

**Registration:** Browse a variety of informative stalls.

**Presentation:** Insights from the Educational Psychology Team of East Renfrewshire Council (ERC).

**Workshops:** Participate in two interactive workshops, each lasting 30 minutes.

### Registration Information:

**Secure Your Place:** Complete the registration form below and indicate your preferred workshops.

**Limited Availability:** Spaces are limited and will be allocated through a ballot system.

**Register Now**



<https://forms.office.com/e/qzNnHp1G6K>

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# Dates for your Diary

## Hazeldene Family Centre Holiday Dates 2024-25 (48 Week Model)

In-Service	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> August 2024
In-Service	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2024
September Weekend	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
September Weekend	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
In-Service	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
Last Day of Nursery - Christmas	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> December 2024 (Early closure)
Children Return	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2025
In-Service	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
Good Friday	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Easter Monday	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
May Day	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025
In-Service	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2025
May Weekend	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025
May Weekend	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2025
Glasgow Fair	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2025

## Hazeldene Family Centre Holiday Dates 2024-25 (Core School Term Model)

Event	Date
Re-open	Tuesday 22 April
Last day of school	Friday 2 May
May Day	Monday 5 May
In-service	Tuesday 6 May
Re-open	Wednesday 7 May
Last day of school	Thursday 22 May
May weekend	Friday 23 May
May weekend	Monday 26 May
Re-open	Tuesday 27 May
Last day of school	Wednesday 25 June