

Hi everyone,

What a week of crazy weather we've had, let's hope we have many more of the crisp, sunny autumn days.

Parent Lending Library

We are wanting to start a lending library for parents and carers with books to support you as your child develops. Have you got any books at home about helping your toddler to eat or sleep that may help others? Maybe you have books about pregnancy and birth that you're finished with? Perhaps you have toilet training books that others would find really helpful?

If you have some books to donate to help with our new Parent Lending Library, please see Eilidh.

Annual Calendar

Are you unsure of term dates? Wondering about Stay and Play dates? Wanting to attend Bookbug? Please click the link for our [Annual Calendar](#)

Fostering Independence

What a week we've had with children happily walking into Cart Mill taking responsibility for their own bags and jackets. Thank you for your support with this.

This week we are going to be working on children finding their peg and hanging their jacket up. Perhaps at home you could encourage your child to hang their jacket up if you have coat hooks or put it away in the correct place. We have lots of children who love to hang their jacket on the floor or on the bench under their peg!

Food and Nutrition for Healthy Teeth

Do you sometimes run out of ideas when making a healthy lunch box? Are you looking for healthy snack ideas for your family? Do you worry about portion sizes for your children?

We've been asked to share this really informative Sway: [Food and Nutrition](#)

Holidays

Our term-time children and staff finish today for the October holiday. As Val and I are on holiday over the next week Sarah-Jane, our Senior CDO, is the member of our Senior Leadership Team to contact during the next week. I'm very confident that Cart Mill is in very safe hands when we're on holiday.

In-service Day

I would like to remind you that Cart Mill is closed to all children on **Monday 23rd October**.

Staff will be in the centre learning about food handling, reviewing how we use Learning Journals to show progress over time and working together to make Cart Mill the best place to play and learn.

Have a lovely weekend with your family.

Many thanks

Angela Kerr

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