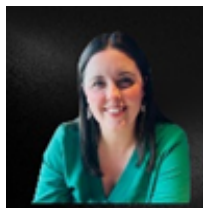


St John's Early Years Class

Dear Parents and Carers,



For those I haven't had the opportunity to meet yet my name is Mrs Boyle and I am the Depute Head Teacher within the school. For the last six months I have been on secondment and I am delighted to be back with our wee stars.

The staff are thrilled to welcome you back for another exciting term. This newsletter includes updates, reminders, and details about our plans.

As always please don't hesitate to get in touch should have you any concerns or questions.

Kind regards

Joanne Boyle

Child Protection

As we start this new term I would like to remind you that within our nursery the safety and wellbeing of our children is our highest priority. We are committed to providing a secure, nurturing and supportive environment for every child in our care. If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing please speak with Mrs McAllister, Head Teacher who is the Child Protection Officer within the school. Should she not be available any concerns can be discussed with myself.



Our Improvement Plan

Within St John's Early Years Class we strive to enhance the quality of our provision to meet the needs of every child and family.

This year we are focusing on:

Helpful Hints

- Children do not need to bring drinks to nursery; water and milk are available throughout the day
- Please ensure your child is dressed for the cold weather with a coat, hat and gloves
- We would be grateful if all children could have a spare change of clothing with them each day (please label clothing 😊)
- If you have any new contact details please ensure that these are updated with the nursery staff



*Children's Rights (Working towards our Gold Award)

*Developing our learning environments (improving the indoor and outdoor areas with new resources suggested by the children)

*Young Leaders of Learning (This is a brand new concept in Early Years. Castlepark Early Years and our Early Years Class are working together to pilot this). More information about this will be sent out soon.



Right of the Month

Each month, we focus on a child's right as part of our commitment to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).

This month's focus is: a right to an education

Lost Property

We have a healthy collection of items within our lost property basket. Please have a look next time you are in the EYC to see if any of the items belong to your child.



Key Dates:

*We are delighted to be taking part in an intergenerational project with the Three Towns Care Home every Wednesday.

*Our stay and play dates are Monday 24th February, Tuesday 25th March, Wednesday 23rd April, Thursday 29th May and Friday 20th June. All session time are from 9.15am-10.45am or 1.15pm until 2.45pm.

*Holidays

17th & 18th February

7th - 21st April (Children should return to nursery on 22nd April)

5th May

23rd May

26th May

30th June - 19th August (children should return on 20th August)

