

Nursery Newsletter



**November/December
2017**

Our topic

We have been looking at light and dark, the stars and sky, along with the current seasons. The children have been learning why we have night and day, what differences we see in the sky during the day and at night and have loved playing in our observatory. Our new focus for learning is Christmas and the Christmas story. We will be asking the children for their ideas for learning experiences, which will be displayed in the cloakroom. Please feel free to use the post-it notes available if you have any ideas that you would like to add.

Twitter/Blog

Our twitter and nursery blog is updated on a regular basis and has lots of pictures of the learning. Please see the end of the newsletter for information on how to access and follow us.

Staff

Our staff members' pictures are displayed on the notice board in the cloakroom, but here is a wee reminder who the key workers for your child's group are.

Red Group: Mrs Luba Monday to Friday.

Blue Group: Mrs Macdonald Monday and Tuesday.
Mrs Love Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Yellow Group: Mrs Gallagher Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday AM.
Mrs Winchester Wednesday PM, Thursday and Friday.

Green Group: Mrs Hynd Monday to Friday AM.

Miss Shepherd will be providing overall support in the daily running of the nursery.

Please remember that if you wish to speak to a member of staff out with parents appointments, we are always available to discuss concerns and we can arrange a suitable time with you.

Parent Group

We have a group who are a sub group of the School Parent Council. The group welcomes any new parents/carers and meet on a regular basis to help in a variety of ways including fundraising, feedback from parent council meetings and policy review, everyone is welcome.

Pamper/Christmas Shopping Night

A big thank you to all the helpers who organised the pamper/shopping night, as it was a great success. I think everyone who attended had a great night. A thank you for all the kind donations for our raffle, tombola and home baking stalls. Also to everyone who came along on the night to help. The night raised a total of £1070.84 after expenses, which is a fantastic amount!



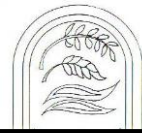
| <u>Dates for your Diary</u> | |
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| Tue 12 th Dec | Nursery Nativity |
| Wed 20 th Dec | Christmas jumper day |
| Thur 21 st Dec | Nursery party |
| Friday 22 nd Dec | school closes 2.30 |
| | Nursery times TBC |
| Mon 8 th Jan | Nursery re-opens |
| Jan 15 th | Come play week |
| Jan 15 th -19 th | Infant registration for school |



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Dress up days

The Children in Need dress up day in the nursery raised £49.20 for a worthy cause. During Africa Week, the nursery raised a total of £26.35 and we had some fantastic costumes. Thank you for all your donations.

Nativity

The children are practising hard for their Nativity and I am sure you have probably heard them singing some of the songs. There will be a letter and tickets going out nearer the time. The children will all be working very hard over the next few weeks, to make some items to sell at the Nativity as part of their enterprise.

Helpers

We are still looking for more helpers to sort and allocate the fun bags and books, without the help from yourselves we would not be able to give out this valuable resource to the children. If you are able to spare a few hours every few weeks, please speak to a member of staff. Everyone is welcome.

Parent workshops

Mrs Gallagher will be running a 3 read workshop in January, more details will follow when we return after the Christmas break.

Reminders

Please could you make sure that your child has a change of clothes in their cream bag in case of an accident or after playing in the water, as we have very limited spare clothes.

Please note the exclusion periods for various illnesses displayed in the cloakroom. With sickness and diarrhoea of any kind, children must be excluded for 48 hours from the last bout to stop cross infection.

A reminder that the £3 for the snack fund helps to pay for resources, snack, treats for the children and special events. The envelopes and box is located opposite the signing in sheets.

Drop off and pick up times

We ask that you please be patient at drop off and pick up times, as staff members are setting up or working with children and may not be available to open the door out with drop off times listed below. Thank you

| <u>Drop off</u> | <u>Pick up</u> |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| AM 8.40-8.50 9.05-9.15 | 11.40-11.50 |
| PM 12.30-12.40 | 3.05-3.10 3.35-3.40 |

Reminder

Remember to check your child's information pocket for important information and letters on a regular basis. Also check our Nursery Blog for regular updates and Nursery News ☺

Blog - <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/nl/EastfieldNurseryClass/>

website - www.eastfield.n-lanark.sch.uk

🐦 twitter - @eastfieldschool

*Kind regards,
The Nursery Team*

