# Balmalloch Nursery Newsletter February 2020



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Thought for the month "A child whose behaviour pushes you away is a child who need a connection before anything else"

Kelly Bartlett

#### OUR NURSERY COMMUNITY

### This month's discussion

Are you aware of any professional learning that staff have undertaken and can you see an impact of this learning in the nursery?

#### Last month's discussion....

We you asked for feedback regarding the delivery of lunches. Thank you for all your comments and suggestions, they have been passed on to the Early Years Team in Kildonan street.



### LEARNING ABOUT...



The children have been really interested in learning about a variety of animals and their habitats, they have shown a particular interest in Artic animals, perhaps they could watch some nature programmes at home to support this learning. They have also been finding about the Sikh religion.

#### FAMILY FUN BAGS & LENDING LIBRARY

The children's lending library and fun bags has restarted and will. Children will get to choose either a library book, A family fun bag or a SHANARRI bag every second Thursday. Please speak to Mr Cairns if you need any further information regarding this.

#### KILSYTH FOODBANK

The collection point for the Kilsyth Community Food bank remains in the cloakroom throughout the year. The staff collect the donations periodically throughout the year. As always donations are greatly appreciated.



### Parent Conferences: Mon 3rd Feb to Fri 7th Feb

Staff should now have approached parents and organised a meeting to discuss progress and set children's next SHANARRI targets. These meetings will take place during the week beginning Monday 4th February. As a staff we are always flexible so, if the given date doesn't suit please speak to your child's key worker.

### Woodland Adventures

Letters will be distributed soon to the group of children invited to attend the next block of Woodland Adventures, beginning on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March



There are more 6-week blocks planned for later in the year.

### YELLOW GROUP Stay & Play Day

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>February the yellow group parents are invited to join their children for a fun filled day in Nursery. If this day is not suitable please speak to Mrs Ross who will be happy to arrange an alternative day with you.

## February Transition Activity



Monthly Transition to School Activity

Primary One will make a video to show the Nursery children. The video will be a typical school day for a Primary One pupil. We look forward to watching it together.

### SOLIHULL PARENTING COURSE

Our Solihull Session 'Understanding Your Child' is well under way and we are enjoying it greatly. The Solihull approach is at the heart of the nursery ethos which is about attachment and professional love. If anybody would like more information on the Solihull approach please speak to a member of staff. North Lanarkshire continue to fund an online course which staff have further details on.



### Snack, Activity & Toy Fund

The cost of this per week is £2 and is collected by Mrs Stark every Tuesday in the nursery. If you wish you may instead choose to pay per term or for the whole year.

If you have an amount outstanding it would be good if this could be paid as soon as possible.

Please speak to Mrs Stark for Amounts. Thank you

Dates for your Diary	
Solihull Course	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> January - Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
February Holiday	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
In Service Day	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Parent Meetings	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February- Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Yellow Group Stay & Play	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Blue Group Learning Day	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
Woodland Adventures	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March- Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
Spring Party	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April
Spring Holiday	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April Nursery closes at 2:30pm
Nursery Re opens	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> APRIL 2020