

Balmalloch Nursery Newsletter
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" Children are not things to be MOULDED, but PEOPLE to be UNFOLDED"
Jess Lair

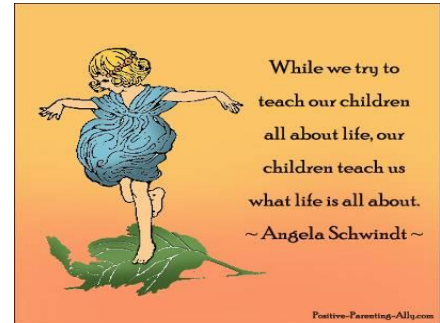
OUR NURSERY COMMUNITY

This month's discussion

What do you think children are learning about when they play?

Last month's discussion....

We asked you if you are aware of professional learning undertaken by staff and about the impact it has had. Thank you for all your comments regarding this. The main topic discussed was the implementation of the Woodwork bench. Wood work is an ongoing opportunity and will be part of our continuous provision in nursery.



LEARNING ABOUT...



The children have had a really busy month, they have really enjoyed trying out all our new furniture, especially cuddling up together on the sofas reading stories. This has been lovely for the staff to see and has sparked a new interest in sharing books, telling each other stories and writing their own stories.

World Book Day

We will celebrate World Book Day on Friday 6th March. Children are invited to come to nursery in EITHER of the following ways.

- Wearing Pyjamas
- As a favourite story character
- With a favourite book
- With an item which reminds them of a favourite story.

Please DO NOT feel under pressure to buy a new outfit for this event, World Book Day is predominately to introduce children to the wonderful world of literature.

NURSERY PHOTOS

The photographer will be in nursery on Thursday 5th March. Children will get individual and a group photograph taken.

LOTS OF SOCKS DAY

We invite everyone to celebrate this year's World Down Syndrome Day. We are joining Down Syndrome International's Lots of Socks campaign to get everyone to wear lots of socks. This day is celebrated on a Saturday so as a nursery we are celebrating it on Friday 20th March. Let's see how many socks we can see in one day. #LOTSOFSOCKS



Spring Party:

The Nursery Spring party is on Thursday 2nd April 2020. Parents are invited to join us at the end of the party in the nursery. Children can make their own Bonnets and parents can come along at 11.20am and 2.40pm to see the children parade around in their Easter Bonnets and to see the Easter Bunny delivering his gifts!



Woodland Adventures

Letters will be distributed soon to the group of children invited to attend the next block of Woodland Adventures, beginning on Wednesday 25th March.

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



BLUE GROUP learning Day

On Thursday 5th March. The Blue group parents are invited to join them for a small presentation. The morning children will present at 10:30AM and the Afternoon will present at 2:40 PM.

March Transition Activity



Monthly Transition to School Activity

The nursery children will visit the school and take photographs. We will then create a book all about the staff and places we will see in Balmalloch Primary.

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

Blue Group Learning Day	Thursday 5 th March 2020
NURSERY PHOTGRAPHS	Thursday 5 th March 2020
World Book Day	Friday 6 th March 2020
LOTS OF SOCKS DAY	Friday 20 th March 2020
Woodland Adventures	Wednesday 25 th March- Wednesday 13 th May 2020
Spring Party	Thursday 2 nd April
Spring Holiday	Friday 3 rd April Nursery closes at 2:30pm
Nursery Re opens	Monday 20 th APRIL 2020
RED Group STAY & PLAY	Tuesday 28 th April 2020

