# Forgewood Family Learning Centre January/February 2017

Newsletter

# Forgewood Family

# Nursery BLOG

Please remember to check our BLOG for an update on the learning and teaching as well as updates on what's happening the week ahead. Type in the link below https://blogsdownlead.org.uk/nl/forgewood



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## Sponsor a Fence Slat

Within the 3-5 building of the nursery we are planning to develop an area of school ground within Braidhurst High School to support our children having more access to green space during their nursery Session. This will involve building a secure fence around the identified area.

#### WE NEED YOUR HELP

Why not **SPONSOR** a fence slat and we will scribe your child's name on it for just £2.00.

If you know anyone who could help us erect the fence please speak to you child's key worker.



# **Diary Dates**

Mid-term break:

Monday 13 February and Tuesday 14 February 2017 In-service day: Wednesday 15 February

Children do not attend nursery on this day.



If you wish to contact the nursery details below:

Fife Drive: 01698 274909

01698 522706 Annexe:



Have you moved home or changed your telephone number please ensure we have your up to date contact details.

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### It's everybody's responsibility to make sure I'm alright

Protecting children from harm and abuse is everybody's responsibility. Within the centre we have very clear Child Protection roles and responsibilities, with the Child Protection coordinator being Gillian Horne. However, if you see or hear anything which you are concerned about regarding a young person's wellbeing in or around the nursery, please speak to Gillian or Jackie in her absence in the first instance or indeed contact the local Children and Families Team, Scott House, 73/77 Merry Street, Motherwell, 01698 332100

### 600hrs Early Learning & Childcare for 2 year olds

From August 2015 the criteria for free places changed to benefit more families. You or a family member's child could be entitled to almost 600 hours per year free early learning and childcare under the new criteria. Your 2 year old may be eligible if one of the following apply. You are in receipt of one of these benefits:

- **Income Support**
- Income based job seekers allowance
- Any income related element of the Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit but not Working Tax Credit and your income is less than £16,010 per year
- Maximum Child Tax Credit and maximum Working Tax Credit and your income is less than £6,240
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Or they are:
- Looked after
- Under a kinship care order
- Live with a Parent Appointed Guardian

For more information on how to apply speak to Gillian, Jackie or you can speak with NLC support staff on 01236 812281 For more information visit:

northlan.gov.uk/familyinformationservice or earlylearningandchildcare.scot



For your child's safety please ensure that you close the 3-5 garden gate when entering and leaving the nursery.

Thank You



# Can you help!!

We need a fridge moved from Fife Drive to the Annexe. If you have access to a van we would love to hear from you.





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Thank you for raising £50.00 in support of

Could we please remind parents/carers to label their child's belongings in order to ease confusion.





Can we remind parents to ensure their child has soft indoor shoes to wear while in the playrooms? Can parents of children who attend the 2-3 room ensure that they use the shoe covers provided before entering the playroom? This will support us in keeping the environment for children clean.

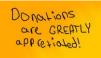


We value your opinion and would love to hear your thoughts and ideas on how the nursery environment looks and how we can make it even better. Please share your thoughts by writing your ideas down on the *thinking bubble* s which are available in the playroom foyer. We will then hang then on our thinking trees.





Children in the 3-5 playroom take part in the Three Read Programme which promotes their early literacy skills. This takes place at every day at 9am-9.20am & 1.20pm - 1. Please ensure your child arrives on time at the start of the nursery session (8.40am & 1pm) as late arrivals disturb your child's Three Read Groups.



To ensure compliance with NLC money audit procedures we are changing the way we collect snack/toy fund donations as from week beginning Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February. We will now be collecting donations only on a Tuesday and Wednesday morning and afternoon. Anne Daly and Heather Hemmings our Clerical staff will be in our 3-5 playroom collecting donations. Parents of children in the 2-3 room of the nursery are asked to pay donations to Anne or Heather in the nursery office.