DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Bring Mum or Dad to Nursery Days – Tuesday 21st and Friday 24th March 2017.

St. Andrew’s Hospice Spring Tea Fundraiser – Friday 31st March 2017.

Easter School Holidays - Monday 3rd – Thursday 13th April 2017.

**Please note only children booked in may attend.**

Easter Public Holidays - Friday 14th April and Monday 17th April 2017.

**Nursery closed to all children.**

May Public Holiday – Monday 1st May 2017.

**Nursery closed to all children.**

In-Service Day – Thursday 4th May 2017.

**Nursery closed to all children.**

May Public Holidays – Friday 26th May and Monday 29th May 2017.

**Nursery closed to all children.**

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MANAGING CHILDREN’S BEHAVIOUR WORKSHOP

A reminder that a workshop on managing your child’s behaviour will begin on Friday 24th March with Louise McLean (Community Learning and Development). This will run during the AM session. You are encouraged to come along and gain some strategies or advice on how best to support your child. Sign-up sheets for the workshop can be found beside your child’s register, so pop you name down during drop-off and collection times if you are interested.

KODALY SESSIONS

As mentioned in our last newsletter, the children have been offered to participate in Kodaly, an exciting approach to music which will support them in developing their beat, rhythm and movement skills. These sessions will begin on Monday 20th March and Sally Wilkinson will be supporting the children along with the staff during these times.

BRING MUM AND DAD TO NURSERY DAY (3-5)

On Tuesday 21st and Friday 24th March our doors in the 3-5 playroom will open and you are kindly invited to come along on one of these days between 1000-1130 or 1330-1500 and see for yourself what your child is currently learning in nursery. We advise that you wear sensible clothing however, as you will be offered to take part in experiences outdoors and/or in our art area!

FOREST SCHOOL

Preschool children from the Red and Green groups continue to visit the forest school each Friday, this finishing on Friday 24th March. It will then be the turn of the preschool children from the Yellow and Pink groups, beginning on 21st April. Please remember that parental support is necessary for this to continue and that your child must be accompanied on these days or unfortunately we cannot allow them to attend due to the ratios involved in this.

PERSONAL CARE

If your child requires to be changed during the session could we ask that you ensure that nappies and wipes are provided, as we only have a limited supply of each of these at nursery?

VISION SCREENING

The orthoptist from NHS Lanarkshire will visit the nursery on Monday 27th March and carry out vision screenings on all of the preschool children. Information leaflets on this have been passed out previously, however if you have any queries please speak to a member of staff.

STAY AND PLAY SESSIONS

Unfortunately the Stay and Play Sessions that have been taking place on a Thursday AM will not continue after the Easter break. Therefore, the last session will be on Thursday 30th March. These sessions have been extremely popular and we take this opportunity to thank you for attending. Our best wishes and gratitude go to Amanda who has been leading these sessions.

OUTDOOR PLAY

The children are encouraged to participate in physical play outdoors throughout their session and in all weather conditions. Could you please ensure your child dresses appropriate for the climate, e.g. providing jackets and wellies? Again we have only a limited supply of spare jackets and boots within the nursery.

ST. ANDREW’S SPRING TEA FUNDRAISER

The children and staff warmly invite you to come along and take part in our Spring Tea Fundraiser in aid of St. Andrew’s Hospice. On the day you can enjoy being creative with your child as you undertake a craft experience with them, and afterwards enjoy a sweet treat as your reward for all your hard work! St. Andrew’s Hospice is a charity close to the hearts of all within the Centre and we ask that you give as little or as much as you can on the day to raise funds for this great cause.

UPDATING INFORMATION

If you have recently moved address, changed your mobile phone number, email address or your child’s medical or allergy information is different could you update this information with your child’s keyworker? It is important this information is current in the event of letters or info needing to be passed on.

PARENTS EVENING

All staff will be completing reports for your children in the coming weeks. You will be invited to make an appointment to come along and discuss these with your child’s keyworker on Tuesday 9th May between 1630 and 1850. Time slots will be made available in the next few weeks, so please look out for these when signing in/out to make an appointment.