

Glenburn Pre 5 Centre Newsletter
September 2017



Welcome

The staff at Glenburn pre 5 centre would like to take this opportunity to welcome any new children and their families. We can see that everyone is settling in well and getting to know their new environment and new friends.

Playroom Updates

Tiny Tots and Sunbeams

The staff in the sunbeam room are Caroline, Rosemary, Jacqui and Pat.

The staff members within the Tiny Tots and Sunbeams room are working closely with children to develop positive relationships with all the children and their families. To encourage positive relationships the staff would like to create a small book with photographs from home including parents, carers, grandparents, siblings, pets and any other important family members. Please speak to your child's key worker about this. We would be happy to give you our email address to email the photographs and we can print them here.

The tiny tot staff are Toria, Cathy and Danielle.

Tiny tots song of the month is Humpty dumpty.

The sunbeam room will be introducing self registration with the children and will speak to parents as this is being rolled out in the next month.

Some children are learning to use the toilet in the sunbeams room and staff are supporting with this, please remember to provide plenty of changes for your child if they are learning to use the toilet/ potty.

Can you please ensure that your child has nappies, wipes and nappy sacks if you are unsure please see staff in your child's room.

Butterflies

The butterfly staff are Jillian, Clare, Jennifer, Lorna and Carolyn.

The staff are eager to greet you and your child at the beginning of the sessions, you will find your child's keyworker in the following.

Jillian and the purple group will be at the snack table.

Clare/ Carolyn and the red group will be at the puzzle table.

Lorna and the green group will be in the block area.

Jennifer and the blue group will be in the creative area.

If you could wait till the end of your child's session 11.30 or 3.30 before collecting your child, as we carry out recall time at the end of the session, this time encourages children to reflect on learning and play each day.

The children are continuing to develop the outdoor area and are in need of your help, if you have any of the following items and are throwing them out please donate them to the nursery: Wellie boots, pots, pans and cooking utensils.

Please can we remind all parents and carers to provide their child with a change of clothes and if possible a pair of wellies to leave at nursery?

The children are being supported to use their self-help skills, this allows the children to practice their large and small motor skills, gaining confidence in their ability and building self-esteem and pride in their independence, I'm sure you will have noticed the development of your child with their independence skills at home, this is enabling them to be confident individuals on their learning journey.

Forrest Adventure

Forrest adventure workshops for parents are being organised and more information will follow.

Sharing the Learning Sessions

Invitations will be extended to parents to come along to coffee and chat sessions, look out for your invitation. These sessions allow an opportunity to speak to your child key worker to share your child's learning. The coffee and chat sessions will include information about routines within the playroom and how learning will be delivered to your child.

Our Improvement Journey

Butterflies

Staff are consulting with children in the planning process and observing them closely to ensure that your child's learning is being supported. Some of the skill your child is developing are displayed outside the butterflies room please take a few minutes to take a look and find out about all the learning and skills the children are developing.

Sunbeams

As the children in the Sunbeams room settle the snack routine will be reintroduced; the snack bar will be in operation, promoting good independence, literacy and numeracy skills for children at snack time. The children will be posting their own names and helping to select and prepare their own snack.

Tiny Tots

The children within the room are enjoying having a rest and sleep on beds now, the sleeping routine is now more cosy, nurturing and peaceful.

As you may have noticed the Tiny Tots are learning a Greek word of the month, see staff for more information. The children are also selecting their own mats at snack and lunch times, as part of our focus to raise attainment through promoting literacy.

Outdoor learning

As you may have noticed this area is developing. The nursery has been involved with stronger communities involve the local community and schools within the project, as you will have noticed we have had a mural painted on the outside of the nursery created by stronger communities the and the young people from go zone.

Nursery email address

Can we please ask if you have any need to email the nursery for any reason that you **only use the nursery's email address** which is glenburnprefiveenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk

Please make sure that you keep the nursery up to date with your email address to allow updates and newsletters etc to be emailed to you.

Cooking group

Maureen is keen to get the cooking group back up and running. The cooking group will run on Monday. In the first week it will be a morning and then next week in the afternoon, this will then continue to alternate. At the cooking group Maureen will help parents to gain new skills in the kitchens to help prepare wholesome home cooked meals for their families. If you would like to be involved in this group please speak to Maureen.

Parents group

We are very keen to get our parents group up and running again this term. Our first meeting of the new term will be Wednesday 4th October at 10am. The parents group is a great opportunity to become involved with the life of the centre and contribute towards our ongoing improvement journey here at Glenburn. If you are interested in joining this group please speak to staff.



★ **Happy Halloween**

★ On Tuesday 31st October children are welcome to dress up for Halloween. The playrooms will have a fun filled Halloween themed day for the children who attend on a Tuesday.

★ **Spooky night**

★ We are having a psychic night to raise funds for the nursery on Friday 10th November, we are looking for donations of bottles. More information will follow.

★ **Dates for your diary**

- ★ September weekend – Nursery closed on 22nd and 25th September
- ★ In service – Nursery closed Friday 13th October
- ★ October week – Monday 16th - Friday 20th All term time children should not attend this week
- ★ Halloween Fun day – Tuesday 31st Halloween
- ★ Spooky night – Friday 10th November – more information to follow
- ★ Christmas concert – Friday 15th December – more information to follow
- ★ Christmas parties – Thursday 21st December – more information to follow

