

Newsletter July 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Covid-19 information

This is to inform you that we have had a few confirmed cases of Covid-19 in the nursery.

We sent this information out last week in the June Newsletter

Our latest Care Inspectorate and Local Council advice is that face coverings, remain encouraged, but are no longer routinely required in well ventilated spaces and / or where you are not mixing with people you would not normally meet. Risk assessments are carried out, by individual settings, to clarify guidance mitigations for when staff are; in crowded spaces, in close contact with external visitors, or where it is particularly difficult to maintain appropriate ventilation or distance. We would be grateful if you can continue to be mindful and use the hand sanitisers when arriving and leaving nursery. The main corridor can become busy at certain times, therefore, we would you please ask you to continue to socially distance where possible when arriving and leaving. We take safeguarding our children and families very seriously, therefore, we respectfully ask you **NOT** to hold the door open for other people to ensure safety for all. <https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19/test-and-protect/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-infection>

Anyone with symptoms of a new and persistent cough, fever, altered or absent sense of taste or smell should stay at home and get a PCR test.

Fees for unfunded sessions

Fees for unfunded sessions are subject to an annual increase every year in August. A ½ day session is £19.50 and a full day session is £39.00. The next increase will be at the start of the new academic term August 2022.

Gifting of the Book Bug Explorer Bags

Every 3 year old child in Scotland receives a free Bookbug Explorer Bag. Your child will have an Explorer Bag on their pegs if they are 3.

Sun cream

Can you please make sure that you bring in Sun cream for your child over the summer holidays? We do have emergency cream however due to allergies it is important we use their own individual cream on them.

Family Room (Beech Room)

We now have a new Family Room (Beech Room) in the nursery. We have already had Make and Taste sessions in the room but are looking forward to using the room for lots of different family sessions throughout the year.

Growing our Cornton Community

We are interested in parents/carers views on how to improve the nursery. So with this in mind we have put a 'Growing our Cornton Community' information board in the corridor for your convenience. Please take a look and let us know what you think? Comments or suggestions help us get it right for every child. Please let us know what your views are.

Staffing Changes.

There are some changes in staffing as Hannah McGinley who is our supply pool supply ECE is moving to Allan's Nursery at the end of July. Caroline Martin, ECE, is off long term sick, and Steph Cochrane ECE, will be moving from the Acorn Room to the Oak Room during the summer holidays. The Equity and Excellence Lead SECE post is currently being advertised and should hopefully be in place in the new term.

My Year of Learning

My Year of Learning reports will be completed and sent out to you by the end of July.

End of term

The nursery will be closed for In-service on Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th August. Nursery will re-open on Wednesday 17th August.

Finally, we want to wish all our leavers a massive good luck in their Primary Ones and to all our other children moving on to other nurseries. Have a lovely summer.

Yours sincerely
Samantha Smith

Head of Nursery

