

# St Joseph's Nursery Newsletter

January-March 2018

Welcome back to a new term at St. Joseph's. We are looking forward to the new year and the events coming up, which will help us learn new things.



Before the holidays we enjoyed our Nursery Nativity Concert and were so pleased to see so many parents come along. Our Christmas parties were great fun and we enjoyed our visit from a very special guest. We hope you all had a good winter break and it is lovely to see everyone in Nursery again. As always at this time of year, winter weather conditions can impact schools and journeys. We advise parents to check West Lothian Council's website for information about the impact of the weather and to use this to make decisions about safe travel to and from Nursery.

## Nursery Times

### Morning Mon-Thu

Breakfast/ Soft Start: 8:10 - 8:45am (optional)

Core Time: 8:45 - 11:15am

Pick up: 11 - 11:15am

### Friday\*

Breakfast/ Soft Start: 8:10 - 8:45am (optional)

Core Time: 8:45 - 11:15am

Pick up: 11:00 - 11:15am

Soft End: 11.15-11.35am



### Afternoon Mon-Thu

Core Time: 12:10 - 3:15pm

Snack/Soft End: 3:15 - 4:05pm (optional)

Pick up: 3:00 - 4:05pm

*Please ensure that children are dropped off and picked up on time and that you use the sign-in/sign-out sheet.*

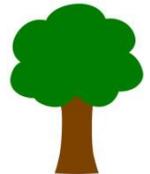
## Forest Nursery

Our Forest Nursery sessions have started up again and will run each Tuesday again this term. **Children should come to Nursery dressed for their outdoor session** as we will be leaving sharply to maximise time in the woods.

Please make sure children are appropriately dressed, as sessions take place in all weathers.

During Autumn/Winter children should wear:

- *Jumper/Sweatshirt*
- *Waterproof Trousers*
- *Waterproof Jacket*
- *Woolly hat*
- *Gloves*
- *Wellington Boots*



## Clothing and Footwear



Just a reminder that all children need a pair of indoor shoes/gym rubbers, a change of clothing and a pair of wellies for muddy days. The spare clothes can be kept in their bags on their pegs.

**We are working hard to promote independence again this year with coats and shoes, so please encourage your child to put their shoes and coats on/take them off by themselves.**

Please try not to send children to nursery wearing laced shoes, jeans with tight buttons or clothes that they are unable to unfasten by themselves,

Thank you.

## Stay and Play

Stay and Play sessions will again take place on the first Monday of every month, starting on the 5<sup>th</sup> February. This is a great opportunity to engage with your child and for them to show you what they enjoy doing at Nursery. *This is limited to one person per child due to space restrictions and we are sorry but we are not able to accommodate siblings during these sessions.* We hope you are able to join us at some point throughout the year to see all of the activities your child likes to take part in.

## Library Books



We are continuing our lending library again this term. Please remember to return books on a Wednesday, so that children can choose a new book to take home. We have a few books that have not been returned previously. Please hand in any library books you have at home as soon as possible.

## Online Learning Journals

We will be using Online Learning Journals again this year to show what children have been learning and will be adding to these soon. We hope you enjoy checking your child's profile to see some of the things they have been doing in Nursery.

We also like to read parents' comments, as it's great to hear how activities have been followed up at home and find out about what children have enjoyed doing in Nursery.

## Can you help?



We are always looking at new things in nursery and ways we can develop children's experiences. In the near future we are going to be developing our outdoor area and we are looking for volunteers to help us with this. Do you have skills you could contribute to this? (e.g. joinery, landscaping, DIY etc) If you are able to help us with this initiative, or know someone who can, please let us know. Thank you for your continuing support.

## Snack



Snack payments are currently £1.50 per week and can be paid weekly or termly.

***Once a week, take a peek!***

*Please check your child's hair regularly.*

*Treatment can be prescribed by your doctor or purchased at the pharmacy.*



## Dates for your Diary



**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February** – Stay and Play

- am session – 8.45 – 9.45am
- pm session – 12.10 – 1.10pm

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February** – February Break – school closed

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March** – Stay and Play

- am session – 8.45 – 9.45am
- pm session – 12.10 – 1.10pm

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March** – Mothers' Day Event – further information to follow

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March** – Parents' Consultations – times to follow

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** – Last Day of Term

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April** – Easter Break – school closed

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April** – Pupils Resume

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April** – Garden Gourmet

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