Kilbarchan Community Nursery



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Check out our website at: https://kilbarchancn.com/

Hi All,

Christmas madness is upon us! It is lovely to be having all the usual Christmas events again after the disruption of the pandemic. This will be our first Christmas fayre in the building since it was extended. The trustees, staff and children have been very busy planning the event. There is still time to donate anything for the tombola, raffle, craft stall or home baking. Every donation is very much appreciated. We also hope for a good turnout on the day. So come along, bring friends and family and enjoy a lovely lunch of homemade soup and hotdogs or relax with a coffee and shortbread. Santa has even booked us in for the day tool

The children have also been working hard on their Christmas show. As ever, this event is unique with a story created by our very own production team. Make sure you get your tickets ordered early!

Please take note of all the information in this newsletter so as not to miss out. Email updates will also be issued so keep an eye on your in box.

Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year everyone! Take care, Mairi

MEET OUR TRUSTEES: Year 2022/2023

Chair: Alison Tourish (Iona's Mum)
Vice Chair: Jill Humphries (Hope's Mum)

Secretary: Catherine Macklon (Michael's Mum)
Treasurer: Claire Hunter (Cali & Rowan's Mum)

Social and Kira Keaney (Noah's Mum)

Fundraising: Andrea Hields (Alexander's Mum)

Anne Anderson (Scott's Mum)

Keyworker Groups and Contact Details

□ Blue Group – Victoria and Lydia
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☐ Yellow Group - Rebecca

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☐ Green Group – Elaine elaine.porteous@kilbarchancn.com

☐ Orange Group - Danielle
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☐ Red Group – Janice janice.mcfadden@kilbarchancn.com

☐ Purple Group – Chloe chloe.poole@kilbarchancn.com

If you wish to speak to your child's keyworker you can ask to see them at your child's drop off or collection time, contact them by email (see above), or by telephoning the nursery.

Keyworkers will aim to keep you up to date with your child's progress, particularly during the first few weeks while settling. More formal arrangements will take place throughout the year. For general enquiries, you can speak to Mairi, Victoria or Sarah at any time using the contact details above.

All absences must be reported to the office rather than the keyworker.

Please telephone the office or email enquiries or admin.

Check out our new FACEBOOK page: Go to Kilbarchan Community Nursery SCIO and hit the like button!











CHRISTMAS



Personalised Tea Towels

Tea towels are available to order for £7 each or 3 for £20.

Orders must be placed by Friday 2nd December.

Unfortunately orders after this time will not be fulfilled.

Clydebuilt Puppet Theatre Presents:

Jack and Billy

Friday 9th December at 9.30am

All children are invited to attend and wear their Christmas jumper.

If your child does not attend nursery on a Friday, please speak to your child's keyworker.

Donations will be collected for SIMBA.

Christmas Show

Santa's Space adventure



Tickets

Two tickets per family will be allocated free of charge. Please see below for dates. If you do not require the two tickets, please indicate on the slip given out and **return by Friday 2**nd **December** at the latest.

If you require extra tickets, please let us know and they will be issued on a first come first served basis.

There will be a collection on the day for SIMBA (Simpson's Memory Box Appeal).

Dress Rehearsal

The dress rehearsal will take place on Monday 12th December at 10am. Children who attend on a Monday morning should be brought to nursery at their normal time and all other children should be brought to nursery for 9.30am and collected at 11.00am.

On Show Day - Tuesday 13th December

The show will be held in the nursery. Children who attend on a Tuesday morning should be brought to nursery at their usual time. All other children should be brought to nursery for 10.30am and collected at 12pm.

Parents should arrive at the nursery to see the show no earlier than 10.50am.

On Show Day – Thursday 15th December

The show will be held in the nursery. Children who attend on a Thursday morning only can stay for lunch and should be collected at 3pm. Children who don't normally attend on a Thursday should be brought to nursery at **1.30pm and collected at 3pm**.

Parents should arrive at the nursery to see the show no earlier than 1.50pm.

After the show you are invited to join us for tea/coffee and shortbread while the children are being changed.

A parent has kindly offered to film the show an emailed link can be purchased at a suggested donation of £5. Please indicate below if you would like to receive a copy of the show.

If anyone has any objection to their child appearing in the recording, please let us know in advance.

Nursery Sessions 2023 - 2024

We will shortly be allocating places for session 2023 – 2024. You will receive a letter in the new year asking if you wish your child to continue with the same sessions as this year or if you wish anything different. It would be helpful to allow us to allocate new starts if you could return the form as soon as possible.

All children are entitled to up to 1140 hours of Early Learning and Childcare each year. For term-time establishments such as ourselves, this equates to 30 hours per week. The most popular option is 9AM – 3PM, equivalent to a school day. You can also have 3 long days from 8AM – 6PM or 4 x 7.5hour days starting at 8, 8.30 or 9AM and finishing at 3.30, 4 or 4.30PM. If you require more flexible sessions, please contact us to discuss your requirements. Additional hours can also be purchased for an hourly fee. Rates have still to be set for next session.

I am aware that some families have issues around childcare over school holidays. I would like to make you aware that your early learning and childcare funding can be split between two different childcare providers. This would allow you to share a place with ourselves and a registered childminder or all year-round children's centre. If you would like more information on this option, please give me a call.

Children due to start nursery in 2023 - 2024

Children who will reach their 2nd birthday by 28th February 2023 will be eligible to start nursery during the next academic year. Applications should be submitted to the nursery by the end of January.

If anyone is aware of any families with children in this category, can you please share this information with them. Nursery staff will be visiting local toddler groups in January to share information and answer any questions around early learning and childcare entitlement.

Thank you.



Our Christmas Fayre has been planned for

Saturday 3rd December

11am to 2pm.

Entry Free!

We are all really excited as this will be the first time we have been able to have the Christmas Fayre in our new nursery building.

Came along for a great day, there will be home baking, crafts, raffle and much more!

Christmas Party!!

Tuesday 20th December

9.30am to 11.30am

If your child does not attend on a Tuesday, please speak to a member of staff or you child's key worker.

AMAZON SMILE

You can support Kilbarchan Community Nursery while you do your Christmas shopping by signing up to Amazon Smile. Once you have signed up and registered Kilbarchan Community Nursery SCIO as your chosen charity, all you need to do is download the app and a small percentage of your purchases will be donated to the nursery every time you shop with Amazon. It won't cost you a thing and the nursery will receive regular payments. Thank You.

DIARY DATES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Saturday 3 rd December 11am to 2pm	Christmas Fayre
Friday 9 th December at 9.30am	Clydebuilt Puppet Show/Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 12 th December at 10am	Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Show
Tuesday 13 th December at 11am	Christmas Show Performance 1
Thursday 15 th December at 2pm	Christmas Show Performance 2
Friday 16 th December NEW D	ATE ADDED! Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 20th December 9.30 to 11.30am	Christmas Party
Wednesday 21st December	Early Close – 2.30pm
Thursday 22 nd December to Wednesday 4 th January 23	Nursery Closed – Christmas Holidays
Monday 13 th and Tuesday 14 th February Wednesday 15 th February	Nursery Closed – February Weekend Nursery Closed for children – Staff in-service day
Thursday 2 nd March NEW DAT	E ADDED! World Book Day
Monday 3 rd to Friday 14 th April	Nursery Closed – Spring holiday
Tuesday 25 th April NEW DATE ADDED! Nursery Group Photos with Stark Images	
Monday 1 st May	Nursery closed – May day holiday
Friday 26 th and Monday 29 th May Tuesday 30 th May	Nursery Closed – May bank holiday weekend Nursery Closed for children – Staff in-service day
Monday 26 th June	Last day for returning children
Tuesday 27 th June	Pre-school presentations, nursery closes at 1pm – no lunch, late session or afterschool