

# Meldrum Nursery Newsletter

Issued Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016



Dear Parents and Carers

Term 4 is here already and we've got another busy term ahead of us, with the pre-school children taking part in a range of different transition activities in preparation for Primary 1. With hopefully better weather on the way, we're also looking forward to a variety of outdoor learning experiences.

## **Home Learning Packs**

As part of the Nursery - Primary 1 transition process, this term the pre-school children who will be joining P1 at Meldrum School will receive a series of Learning Packs to take home and try out. These themed packs contain a range of activities covering a variety of topics and generally include: a fiction and non-fiction book, game or jigsaw puzzle and activity sheet. With the first pack the children will also receive a booklet to complete each week, to review the activities they have completed and this should be returned each week.

Learning packs will be issued each **Thursday (starting on 12<sup>th</sup> May)** and should be returned on the following **Wednesday**. This will last for a period of 6 weeks. We will be unable to hand out a new pack unless the previous one has been returned.

Each Learning Pack needs to be checked after being returned and it would be most appreciated if any parent helpers would be able to assist with this. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the nursery notice board if you would be able to help.

We hope you enjoy spending time sharing the Home learning activities with your child. Due to the Learning Packs being issued, there will be no Library this term.

## **Parent Helpers**

There will also be an opportunity to join your child's class for a nursery session as a parent helper, especially if you didn't get the opportunity last term. A sign-up sheet will be available on the nursery notice board shortly.

## **Primary 1 Trial Lunches**

If you have not already signed up to try a P1 lunch during the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> June, the sign-up sheets will be available on the Otter Room notice board this week and the Rainbow Room notice board next week. Please add your name and your child's name along with your menu choice.

## **Home – Nursery Bears**

We will continue our Home-Nursery bear program this term. The Home-Nursery Bear provides a focus to promote and support listening and talking skills. Thank you to everyone who has cared for their class bear, dog or monkey and shared their weekend adventures with us.

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## **Bikes, Trikes and Scooters**

Due to health and safety regulations we are unable to store any bikes, scooters, prams etc. during the Nursery session. If you wish to bring them to Nursery they can be stored in the cycle racks located in the Meadowbank or Upper stages playground.

## **Outdoor Clothing**

During this term we will continue to be outdoors as much as possible in all kinds of weather. Please ensure your child has appropriate footwear and a waterproof jacket with them each day. Hopefully we will also see more of the sun this term; sun cream should be applied by a parent/carer at the start of the nursery session. The children will also be encouraged to wear a sun hat if they have one.

## **Diary Dates**

- Nursery Profiles emailed to parents/carers – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May
- ‘Stay & Play’ Outdoor Learning session – Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May (further details to follow)
- Occasional Holiday (School and Nursery closed) – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June
- Nursery Parent Interviews (for children who started Nursery in January) Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June
- Child Smile team visiting Nursery for fluoride varnishing – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June
- Nursery Sports Day – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June alternatively Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June depending on weather (details to follow)
- We are also making plans for a Nursery Outing, details will follow in due course.

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to speak to a member of your child’s Nursery team.

Yours sincerely

Hazel Fraser  
Nursery Principal Teacher

Please use the space below to make any comments or suggestions and return to the Nursery Team