

Welcome to Term 2

We hope you all had a lovely October holiday and are looking forward to a busy Term 2. Children have settled into nursery well and are being busy learners who are having lots of fun. We have several events coming up this month including stay and play sessions, a visit to the pet shop and to the library. In December, the afternoon nursery will be visiting Invercarron resource centre. We will be planning our Christmas extravaganza and will also join up with the school for the Christmas Church Service.

Goodbye Mrs Wood

We are really sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Wood this term. We wish her all the best with her university studies.

What are we learning this term?

We have been busy exploring the calendar and the days, months, seasons and weather. This has led us onto learning about maps and weather presenting! We will now be looking at road safety in a bit more detail and see how the children wish to take this interest further. Please keep checking our floorbooks to see what the children have been learning about.

We have also created a new display situated on the noticeboard next to the main nursery door. Here you will find photos of the children playing in the nursery and a short description of what the learning was that took place during that activity. We will be updating the photos termly. Please take a look!

Nursery Session Timings

(from 20.11.17)

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| Morning Nursery | 8.40am—11.50am |
| Afternoon Nursery | 12.30pm—3.40pm |

Question on the month

At Dunnottar nursery we strive to include parents in all we do. Therefore we would like to introduce our 'Question of the month.' We understand parents are very busy so we have made this straightforward and a simple yes or no answer is appreciated. If you wish to comment further though, please do! This will be situated next to the register.

Reminders

The weather is definitely getting colder in the mornings. Please ensure children have warm coats, hats, scarves and gloves for the colder weather. It is also quite damp and muddy in our outside area so wellies and old clothes that can get dirty are ideal. Feel free to leave wellies at nursery which the children will be able to access themselves.

And finally...

We love to hear from you.

Please let us know your child's achievements to celebrate and add to our Achievement wall.

Also if you have any comments or suggestions, then please let us know your thoughts by using the suggestion box, sited by the Achievement wall or by speaking to a member of staff.

Can you help?

We are hoping to make the nursery a bit more homely and are looking for any house plants you no longer want.

Dates for the Diary

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Event</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Helpers required</u> |
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| Monday 6 th November - Thursday 9 th November | 11.15pm - Morning Class 2.45pm - Afternoon Class | Stay and Play Sessions Focus - we would love for you to share what you do for a career or your hobbies with the children. We would like to have small groups of children listening to each adult discussing their career/hobbies/talents. | Based at Dunnottar Nursery - Carronhill. | N/A |
| Friday 10 th November | 10.30am - Morning Class 1.30pm - Afternoon Class | Stonehaven Library Visit | Based at Dunnottar School and will walk to Stonehaven library and back. | |
| Monday 13 th November | All Day | Nursery closed for In Service Days | | N/A |
| Tuesday 14 th November | All Day | Nursery closed for In Service Days | | N/A |
| Wednesday 15 th November | Times to be confirmed | Visit to the Pet shop | Based at Dunnottar School and will walk to the Pet Shop and back. | |
| Monday 20 th November | During session | Tempest Photographer in nursery for both sessions to take photographs on children. | Based at Dunnottar Nursery - Carronhill. | N/A |
| Friday 8 th December | 1.15pm | Invercarron Resource Centre | Based at Dunnottar Nursery - Carronhill. | Helpers required for afternoon session please. |
| Saturday 9 th December | 10am | PTA Christmas Coffee Morning | St Bridget's Hall | http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a44acae29a6fd0-christmas |
| Thursday 21 st December | 9.45am | Christmas Church Service in South Church | Based at Dunnottar School | TBC |
| Friday 22 nd December | N/A | Last day of term | | N/A |