



September Newsletter



Many thanks for your patience with the upgrading work that is being carried out. We will keep you informed about time scales when we have more information.



Toy fund and gymnastic payments

Please remember that these are collected on a Tuesday - at 11.30 for morning children and 1 o'clock for afternoon children.

The toy fund is a voluntary contribution - however, we do rely heavily on it to fund the snack, party foods, outings, birthday and graduation gifts for the children and it does allow us to renew aging resources.

The gym fund is not voluntary once you have decided you would like your child to participate. We have to pay the gym teacher each week and must therefore request that these payments are made on time. We found that last session a lot of staff time was spent chasing gymnastic money. Mrs Fleming has worked out how much it would cost to pay until the end of term - if you would like to do this please speak to her on Tuesday.

Child protection and complaints procedure

A copy of our child protection policy and our complaints procedure are displayed on the wall beside the play room, and are also contained in our handbook. Please take time to read these

Planning

Our planning will start on Monday of this week. This will be a short and relatively simple plan as we are still settling our new children. The plans will be displayed on the cloakroom wall. If you feel able to help with the plan in any way please speak to a member of the nursery staff. A home link letter will be sent home each plan - this contains some ideas for you to do with you child to support the plan.

At the end of each planning block, you will be invited to come to nursery and to look through your child's folder. Please be aware that this is not an individual appointment to discuss progress - it is a time to share with your child their learning - they should be able to look through their folder with you and tell you what they have been learning. If you have any concerns we will always make time to speak to you, but this is better done at a different time.

These are the proposed times for this plan - but of course if these do not suit you then just ask your child's key worker and we will make an alternative arrangement. (Please return at 11.20 for morning children and any time before 3.45 for afternoon children)

Tuesday 25th September- red group / green group

Wednesday 26th September - purple group

Thursday 27th September- blue group

Friday 28th September- green group



Art Work

The children's art work will be placed in a tray in the cloakroom - colour coded for each group. Please take time to look for any work your child may have done and take it home with you. These trays will be emptied each week.

Well done wall

Our well done wall was really successful last year - thank you for your support with this. If your child achieves something special outwith nursery - swimming,

climbing a hill, learning to ride a bike, baking something amazing etc- please bring in photo or certificate and we will display it on our well done wall.

Newsletters

We are still missing some parents - again, afternoon parents in particular, possibly because there is a less defined picking up time. We will leave uncollected news letters on the desk beside the nursery - please check this table routinely and if there is letter with your child's name on it - take it! Also we do sometimes write information on the white board outside the play room - please check this each time you drop your child off.

You can also find a copy of the newsletter and handbook on our website:

www.thornwood-pri.glasgow.sch.uk

Follow the link to the nursery.

Students

We have a number of students who will be joining us during September - hopefully two on a Monday/ Tuesday and two on a Thursday/ Friday. We will let you know their names in the October newsletter when we have final confirmation.

Garden

Please remember that we are always looking for helpers to maintain our constantly over grown garden. We are very grateful to the parents (and grandparents!) who gave so much of their time last year - we really could not have done this without you - our celery crop is magnificent! The children very much enjoyed growing, picking and even eating the vegetables.

Toys in nursery

Please do not allow your child to bring their own toys into nursery. So many get lost or broken and children get upset. We have a lost property box beside our information station - please check this. We will not be able to hold onto things in this box indefinitely....