

Dingwall Ducklings Newsletter October 2014

Welcome

We will be doing various topics over the year, but during the first term, we mainly encourage your child to play with the others (and us) and just get used to playroom routine so they may come home singing some songs, (tidy-up, snack, and home time song) do join in! We also do Makaton with them, days of the week, thankyou, please etc.

Parents Questionnaire

This year the annual parental questionnaire is being completed online. Please take the time to do this as it ensures our continuous improvement. If you do not have access to go online please ask and we will arrange for a paper copy. The link is below.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ParentsSay2014>



Absence from Nursery

If your child is going to be off nursery you **MUST** let us know before 9am of that day.

You can do this by -

Txt or Phone to: - 07512 698 194

(You can Phone: - 01349 865698

You can Email: -

dingwallducklings@gmail.com

If your child is absent for more than 2-3 days and we have not heard from you, we have to contact the Health Visitor so please let us know.

Changing Bags

Please ensure that during cold weather your child is provided with suitable clothing such as gloves, hats, tights as we go out for walks or play in the garden nearly every day.

Could you also make sure that your child has a change of clothing in their bags. If your child is still in nappies/pull-ups please make sure you have nappies/pull-ups, wipes and cream in their bag as **WE DO NOT SUPPLY THESE**.

Please do not put croc's on your children as they are unsuitable when running about, playing in the park and going for walks.



Running Late

If you are going to be running late picking up your child, please let us know or you will be charged £2.00 for the half hour! Could you also think of a password so that if you are unable to collect your child, you can give it to whoever is picking them up so we know it has been arranged by you.



**RETURNING TO COLLECT YOUR CHILD
IF YOU SEE US OUT IN THE GARDEN OR
PARK, PLEASE DON'T LET YOUR CHILD SEE
YOU AS THIS UPSETS SOME OF THEM.**

ECO SCHOOLS

We would like to get our **GREEN** flag status by December 14. We are looking for more helpers to join our Eco committee, so please let us know if you are interested.



Security

Could you please make sure that you close the gate after entering and leaving the playgroup to stop children escaping! Please discourage your child from opening the gate themselves. Also there is **NO SMOKING** permitted on playgroup premises, this includes the garden.

On Friday 31st October we will be holding a Halloween Party, Please do not have masks on the children as some are scared of them.



PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN YOUR CHILD IN ON THE SHEET ON THE WALL and PLEASE COULD YOU TRY AND PREVENT YOUR CHILD FROM BRINGING TOYS INTO NURSERY.

Thank you

On Wednesday 12th November we will be holding a night session where your child will come to nursery from 4pm - 7.10pm instead of the morning.

EZRA

On Saturday 06th December we will be holding our Christmas Ball in the Legion where Ezra will be playing (is our main Fundraiser of the year), this would be a good night for Christmas Parties. Tickets £10 Over 18's only

PARENTS AFTERNOONS WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY 25TH NOV FROM 1.15PM-3.15PM & THURESDAY 27TH FROM 6PM-8PM. APPOINTMENT TIMES WILL BE AVAILABLE NEARER THE TIME.

Dates for Calendar

	Close	Open
October Holidays	10 th Oct 14	27 th Oct 14
Night Session	12 th Nov 14	
Parents Afternoon	25 th Nov 14	
Parents Evening	27 th Nov 14	
Christmas	19 th Dec 14	05 th Jan 15
Half term	16 th Feb 15	18 th Feb 15
Easter	2 nd April 15	20 th April 15
MayDay	4 th May 15	
In-service Day	1 st June 15	
Summer	2 nd July 15	Aug 15



RAGBAG

We are collecting unwanted textiles including adults and children's clothes, paired shoes, hats, bags, belts, curtains, towels and bed linen etc. for recycling.

This is a fundraiser so get your cupboards cleared out now, to make space for the new things for Christmas!

It you wish to discuss anything with the manager please get in touch with Lisa. She is a peripatetic manager and manages other centers including other pre-school centers within Highland. Lisa visits the center one day per week and should you have any queries or would like to arrange a meeting, please do not hesitate to contact her on Tel: 01463 222115 Email: wecc1cala@gmail.com

Rhona, Lorraine & Kelly

