



Crookfur

August 2014 Newsletter

Project Manager: Elaine Croll **Depute Manager:** Carly Dunn

Playcarers ; Pamela, Joan, Sidra and new staff member Laura

We would like to wish everyone back to MACS as well as our new children starting.

Our Staff

You will see we have Laura joining us this term who will be getting to know the children and yourselves. Elaine and Carly will be working on some new systems we will be introducing this term as ways of streamlining our administration.

Breakfast Club

We have a number of new children who have started in our Breakfast Club this new term. Just to keep everyone right with the setup of our Breakfast club, we open from 7.45am and breakfast is served from 8.00am until 8.30am when we turn off the toaster and start to tidy breakfast equipment away. The children are escorted out to the playground around 8.45am where the staff wait in the playground until the children go into school. For children who are Primary 4 upwards, if you are happy for your child to go into the playground from after 8.30am then please advise Carly who will ask you to complete a permission form. If we have bad weather then the children usually stay in the breakfast club until the school bell rings and they then head to their classrooms.

New Activities for the New Term

Over our last term our P5+ have been to Costa Coffee Shop or the Harvie Avenue Shops as part of the older childrens plans. We would like to continue this for the new term as well as a number of other local trips. We will be consulting with the children for their thoughts and ideas again this term, and to find out if they would like to continue using the swimming pool at Eastwood High School. If your child has turned 8 during the holidays and is able to swim 2 lengths unaided then they will be able to go swimming by you signing a permission form.

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Diary Dates

18th September - Referendum – MACS offer a holiday service on Thursday 18th September from Mearns Parish Church. There are limited places therefore if you require care on this day please contact Head Office.

After-School Care We have a number of our children moving up to High School who will still be joining us. For parents of children who are moving up to Primary 7 this year, please remember we still offer care for your child in High School.

Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC)

Each year at the Board AGM the new plans for the Company are considered. These take into account current legislation and new ideas and feedback from our stakeholders, as well as current research on the play and care sector.

This new term we will be embedding the values around GIRFEC. This means we will be working on individual plans for each child which considers how we meet the SHANARRI Values which are Safe, Healthy, Achieving, Nurtured, Active, Respected, Responsible and Included. We will be chatting to the children to find out what areas they would like us to do more activities on. We have a copy of our GIRFEC Strategy Plan on the Parents Desk which please have a browse through.

Our Floor Books will continue this term as these have proved to be a great way of the children displaying their activities and feedback. Please feel free as parents to make any comments in the monthly floor books as your feedback helps us to reflect on practice.

Getting in touch with us

If your child is not attending MACS as they are off school sick or otherwise, or if someone else is collecting your child, please contact Carly on her mobile and leave a message for her.

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