



CAIRNDOW COMMUNITY CHILDCARE SPRING NEWSLETTER



★ Mini Movers

★ We are delighted to have the opportunity to offer the very popular *Mini Movers* sessions at our Centre. Established for approx 2 years, the sessions are suitable for children aged 2 and over. They are run by Paddy from Argyll and Bute Leisure Services who ran a taster session here last year and the children loved it! Many children from Cairndow have attended his groups in Strachur and Dunoon and regularly go back for more!



★ Running the sessions here means that children whose parents work and are unable to go along to after-school groups can now take advantage of this fantastic opportunity, promoting key areas of health and Wellbeing whilst being tremendous fun!

★ The sessions will start on Wednesday 21st April 3.30–4.15 and will run for a block of 6 weeks. There will be a charge of an introductory rate of £12 for the first child and £6 for subsequent children for the block of 6. Please remember to complete a consent slip if you wish your child to join in.



Easter event

A great time was had by all on a beautiful Sunday afternoon at our family fun day! Many thanks to David Sumsion and Ardkinglas estate for allowing us to use the land. Also thanks go to those who helped clear the site.

Look out for our summer Olympics and BBQ !!!!!!!



Loch Fyne Food Fair 15th and 16th May



This is our biggest fundraiser of the year so we need donations of jars and bottles for our tombola please—we need to make it a good one this year given the recent funding cuts so your support is much needed and appreciated.

Many hands make light work, so please sign up to help run our tombola and coconut shy for just an hour or 2 over the weekend!



since the sun has decided to appear ! please can you ensure your child brings sunscreen and a hat to Nursery.—make sure you mark their names clearly on them.

Dates For your Diary

MONDAY 3RD May Nursery Closed
Public holiday

Thursday 6th May Nursery closed
General Election

Friday 7th May spring Visit to Sox
and Slides Dumbarton.

Staff News

On 29th April Dasha had a beautiful Baby Boy called Maksim, he weighed 8Lb 10oz! All are settling well into home life.



Congratulations to her and Andrew!

Welcome back to Jess who has returned from her Maternity Leave—It's great to have her back and working with our ever expanding pre-school!

Staff have attended some exciting training sessions this term. Janet attended a food handling course and website design—we look forward to seeing some exciting results!

Lisa and Mhairi L attended 'I can' early language training and Kathryn, Helen and Jess and a fun day at the Science and social studies Festival focussing on experiential play, Drama and Language.

Many thanks to Heidi's Mum, Heather, who comes in weekly to do gardening with the children!



NEWS FROM THE FLOOR

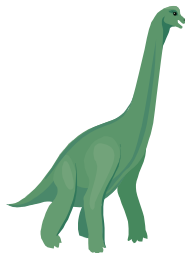
PRE SCHOOL NEWS

We are welcoming Jess back to pre school, with the new intake of pre school we will both be working in the pre school area.

We are delighted to see Finlay back from his travels to Gambia! Welcome also to Alfie!

For the next few weeks our theme is Dinosaurs and we have all enjoyed learning together! If anyone has any information about Dinosaurs or fossils please bring them in.

Don't forget to bring in sun cream and a hat whilst the weather is so gorgeous remember to clearly mark their names on them too.



TWEENIE NEWS

In March we were discussing different gardens that people have. Some have fruit and veg and flowers. Now that April is here we are thinking about all the different things that we see and smell in Spring time.

The children have been making butterflies and Lady birds as well as caterpillars. They also made different kinds of flowers. We have been thinking about how the weather is changing and how we should always use sunscreen and wear a hat when we are outside and it is hot and sunny

Welcome to Jack who has joined us this term!



BABY NEWS

March was a busy month for us as we celebrated St Patricks day and Mothers day. Our theme was "in the Garden" and we looked at mini beasts. We did lots of colourful activities making fluttery butterflies, busy bumble bees and a hungry caterpillar. Our colour for March was green.

Our new theme for April is Spring and our colour will be yellow. The children will be making woolly spring lambs and daffodils.

We are delighted to have some new additions to the baby end it is lovely to have them with us .

Welcome to Remy and Feorlin!

