Dear Parent/Carer

Here is some important information on what is happening in St. Hilary's Nursery this month.

School and Nursery Inspection
HM Inspectors will visit our school and nursery week beginning 3rd June. We are looking forward to showing them all the great work that we do.

Policy of the Month
Each month we will be sending home a different Nursery Policy. We would be grateful if you could read it and give us your thoughts, views and any information you feel could be added. Our policy this month is Confidentiality.

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)
The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) is a legally binding international agreement setting out the civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights of every child regardless of their race, religion or abilities and is made up of 54 articles. As we are a Rights Respecting School, we will be displaying a different Article on our notice board every month. This month’s article is Article 26 - You should have a proper house, food and clothing.

Loose Parts Play
We are still trying to source resources to enable us to introduce loose parts play to the children and could really use your help. Loose parts are a vast range of materials that can be given to children in order for them to create absolutely anything they want. These materials have no directions, instructions or “right way” to use them which allows children to make their own decisions and develop their curiosity and imagination. If you have anything at home or are able to get any of the following materials we would be more than grateful to have them: tyres, pipes, guttering, funnels, crates, tarpaulin, cable reels, cable ties, wheels from old bikes/scooters etc, buckets, baskets, bags, suitcases, cardboard boxes, chunky cardboard tubes, pots, pans, kitchen utensils, teapots, planks of wood, logs, cds, material. If you have anything that is not on the list but you think we could use, please let us know. Thank you in advance!
Nursery Phone Calls
Parents/Carers are advised that it is very difficult for nursery staff to answer the telephone between 8:30am and 3pm due to children being on the playroom floor. To report child absences or to pass on any other information could you please leave a message on the answering machine or with a member of our school office staff. Alternatively, you can speak to a member of nursery staff by calling after 3pm. Thank you.

Car Safety
Can we remind you that it is a legal obligation that children are travelling to nursery in an appropriate car seat or booster seat. Children should not be sitting on an adults knee in the passenger seat of a car.

Welly Walk
Thank you to everyone who sponsored our children for our Welly Walk. We raised a grand total of £608.50. We really appreciate your generosity and value your continued support.

Children's Clothing
Can we remind you to please ensure that your child's jacket, jumper, shoes etc have their name written on them in order to avoid mix-ups. Can we also ask that all children have a change of clothes and are dressed appropriately for the weather (I know this can be difficult with our weather!) Thank you for your co-operation.

Lunch Time Pick-ups
After the children have all had lunch, the go out to play in our Butterfly Room garden. If you have to pick your child up at this time, please be aware that as the staff will be outside with the children there may be no one inside to hear the buzzer. If you have been pressing the buzzer for some time with no reply please walk round to our garden (past Jack and Jill's, towards the back of the school) and a member of staff will let you in. Thank you.

European Elections
St. Hilary's Primary School is being used as a polling station for the European Elections on Thursday 23rd May so we will be closed for Staff In-Service.

Healthy Children
The children in the Butterfly Room are going to be involved in a Healthy Children Workshop provided by our Active School's Team. This will begin on Thursday 30th May and each group will receive a 2 week block.

Bumblebee Room Together Time
Our termly together time for children in the Bumblebee room will be on Tuesday 4th June at 1.45pm. We hope you can come along and join us.
Nursery Trip
Our children in both the Bumblebee Room and the Butterfly Room will be going on a trip to Calderglen on Thursday 12th June. This will be an all day trip so morning and afternoon children are invited to spend the full day with us. Children who don’t normally attend on this day are also welcome to join us. We ask that all children are accompanied by an adult in order to ensure that our child safety ratios are met. If an adult is unable to attend please speak to your child’s Keyworker. More information will be available soon with regards to leaving times etc.

Keyworker Appointments
We will be having Keyworker Appointments between 3pm and 5pm on Tuesday 4th June to give you the opportunity to discuss your child’s progress. There will soon be sheets outside your child’s playroom for you to pick a suitable time. If you are unable to make this date or time please speak to your child’s Keyworker who will arrange a suitable appointment for you.

Butterfly Room Summer Show
The children in the Butterfly Room will be having their Summer Show on Thursday 20th June at 10 am.

Sports Day
Sports Day will be on Monday 24th June for the children in both the Bumblebee Room and the Butterfly Room at the following times:
- Bumblebee Room 10:30am
- Red/Green/Yellow Groups 10am
- Blue/Orange/Orange Purple 2pm

Nursery Closure
We will be closed on the following days:
- Monday 6th May - May Day
- Tuesday 7th May - In-Service Day
- Thursday 23rd May - In-service Day
- Friday 24th and Monday 27th May - May Holiday
- Friday 28th June - close at 1pm for Summer Holidays

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Karen Summers
Early Years Team Leader
**Dates For Your Diary**

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