

FEBRUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER

Project Manager- Carly Martin

Practitioners- Fiona & Diane

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Staff – We are delighted to announce that Carly has been successful in her application to take over the management of Crookfur. Elaine is stepping down from Crookfur to concentrate on Head Office strategic matters.

Crookfur Primary Renovation We continue to communicate with East Renfrewshire Council regarding the construction works. As we had notified parents last year, we do not envisage moving back to Crookfur in August 2017, however should we be able to move back before the end of term we will notify all parents.

Breakfast Club - Can we ask that parents of breakfast club children continue to either drop their child/ren with a member of staff waiting at **7.45am** at the bottom of the hill entrance to the school, or use the car park in Eastwood High School.

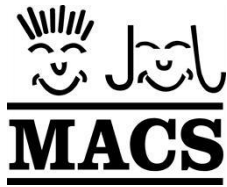
For after school club, we continue to make good use of our local area around Fairweather hall. The children have been enjoying trips to Costa and the library and of course local walks and to the swing park. Please read our **Activity Planners** for dates your child will be going out and let Carly know if you do not wish your child to attend.

Badgework - Last term we were working on risky play badge. We invited parents/ carers along to a prize giving ceremony. This was a great success and I would like to thank you all for attending im sure your child/ren appreciate you coming along to see what they have been working on.

Our next badge we are working towards is Creative play we hope to complete these challenges before we break for the Easter holidays and would love if even more parents / carers came along to our next Badge Ceremony. We will advise everyone of the date in due course.

August 2017 Parents of children currently in Primary 7 and High School have been given letters to confirm whether they require care from August 2017 or not. Can you please ensure these are returned asap to help us forecast how many places we have available to allocate to new primary 1s.

Primary 1 letters of offer will be going out next week so please speak to Carly if you are unsure whether your child's details are on our waiting list.



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Swimming - We are looking to recommence swimming again after the February break at Eastwood high school pool on a Monday. If you are now 8 years of age and can swim 2 lengths unaided please speak to Carly if you would like to take part. Provisional dates are 27th February, 13th March and 20th March, but these will be confirmed once you let us know if your child will be taking up this activity.

Fundraising - We would like to thank all the parents and children of Crookfur, St Cadoc's and Cross Arthurlie projects who helped raise £90.00 through buying raffles to win the big Pink Elephant. Monies raised will be shared between the Bluebell Foundation and the Neurology ward in the Queen Elizabeth Hospital. The lucky winner was Piper Lang from St Cadoc's. Well Done Piper.

MACS were also fundraising for Muscular Dystrophy UK. We put together a calendar for 2017 featuring some of the children from all of the projects. Calendars are for sale at £5 with £2 from each sale being donated to Muscular Dystrophy UK. Thanks to all who purchased one and we still have some available to purchase if you are interested. Grand total raised will be available once all monies are collected.

P5+ Cooking Class - This has really taken off this term with the children eager to learn new recipes and giving us feedback on how their dishes have tasted. Parents will be advised what their children are cooking to ensure they supply the necessary container to take home. We are also organising a trip to ASDA for our P5 + group to discuss healthy eating and food tasting and will advise of the date.

We have been working hard at MACS HQ working towards an updated healthy menu. The guidelines we are working towards are NHS Scotland "Setting the Table". This guide book is available on the parents table of anyone would like to view. At this time our senior team are meeting to discuss healthy balanced breakfast and snacks.

A reminder of contact details at MACS Crookfur, **PLEASE** remember to let MACS know if your child/ren are not attending, or also if different person will be collecting your child. Thanks.



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