



Armadale Early Learning & Childcare Setting Newsletter - (April 2019)



Welcome back to our summer term. We are looking forward to another busy and fun filled term.

Please pay particular attention to the dates attached.

Twitter – we're live!

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Website:

<https://armadaleprimary.westlothian.org.uk/>



Individual & Family Photos

ALL orders and monies must be handed in to nursery by Monday 29th April. Unfortunately, no orders can be accepted after this date.

Online Learning Journals



Parent sessions coming soon!

Summer weather:



With the recent good weather please remember to apply suncream to your child before coming to nursery. Please also consider dressing them in a long sleeved, lightweight top and bringing a hat labelled with their name.

School lunches (full day children only)

Please note that from Monday 6th May school lunches should be ordered and paid for online using Ipay-Impact.

Please see Ms Philip or Mrs Brown for login details.



Armadale Nursery Class Session Times

Can we remind parents and carers of our nursery session times.

Please ensure children are collected on time to allow staff to set up for the next session.

- **Morning Nursery Sessions are available:**
Monday - Friday - 8am - 11.08am
- **Afternoon Nursery Sessions are available:**
Monday - Thursday - 12.10pm - 4.07pm
- **Full Day Nursery Sessions are available:**
Monday - Thursday - 8am - 6pm
(2 Days as identified by Pupil Placement)



Wherever possible, we would appreciate for registration purposes if all morning children could be signed in for 8.45am and afternoon children by 12.20pm. If you require greater flexibility, please don't hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

- In the interests of Health and Safety, please do not enter the school car parks as it is strictly out of bounds for parents to park or walk through the car park with children.

Safe routes paths are available through the playgrounds.

Please use safe routes to teach your child good road sense and keep them safe from the many cars, bin lorries and delivery vehicles which arrive and leave the school, throughout the school day.

Many thanks for your cooperation!



Word Boost and Box Clever

- What are these initiatives?
- How are they used in nursery?
- How do they help my child be ready to read?

Over the course of 2 short sessions parents and carers can find out more about these literacy initiatives and how they are used in our nursery.

Find out how to use the ideas at home to help your child expand their vocabulary and learn how these simple activities prepare your child for reading and writing.

Parents and carers who attend both sessions will be given a gift bag with resources to keep and use with your child at home.

Sessions will be held in the Family Learning Zone, enter through the main entrance of school and refreshments will be provided.

Session 1:

Wednesday 1st May

10.15 - 11.00 OR 12.20 - 1.00

Session 2:

Wednesday 8th May

10.15 - 11.00 OR 12.20 - 1.00

Please see Ms Philip for further info.

Families Connect

Mrs Brown (Early Years Officer) and Sharlene (Family Support Worker) will be offering a Families Connect programme this term.

Sessions will run for 2 hours, once a week for 8 weeks.

This programme will give you new ideas to support your children's learning in

- Literacy and language development
- Numeracy
- Emotional development

Each activity encourages parents and children to spend quality time together by talking about specific topics and reflecting on what you already do to support your child's learning.

The programme is designed for children aged 4 to 6 years of age and is particularly useful for children moving into Primary 1 after the summer.

If your child is moving on to school after the summer and you are interested to find out more, please attend our informal coffee morning on Thursday 25th April at 9am in the Family Learning Zone, or speak to Mrs Brown in the nursery.

Lost Property

We have gathered quite a lot of lost items over the last few weeks; please check the lost property box in the cloakroom for any items belonging to your child.

To help make sure items are returned to the correct child, please mark your child's name on ALL items of clothing including jackets, shoes and jumpers.

****Please place indoor shoes in your child's drawstring bag at the end of each session.**



Dates for your diary!

Wednesday 1st May/8th May

10.15 - 11.00 OR 12.20 - 1.00

Word Boost/Box Clever session for Parents/Carers

Monday 6th May/Tuesday 7th May

School and Nursery Holiday

Monday 20th May

School and Nursery Holiday

Tuesday 4th June

Stay and Play - Outdoor Fun

10.45 am - 11.00 am/ 2.45 pm - 3.00pm

Thursday 20th/Friday 21st June

Nursery Pre-School Reports due out

Last week of Term:

Event times to be confirmed

Monday 24th June

Nursery Graduation

Tuesday 25th June

Nursery Sports Day

Thursday 27th June

School and Nursery Fun Day

Friday 28th June - Last day of Term for Summer Holidays

Tuesday 20th August - Start of new Term

**** Transition to Primary 1 - dates to follow in a separate letter.**