

**St Josephs  
March 2016 Parents Newsletter**



**Hi Parents**

Hope everyone's had a great spring break.

As you are aware the lighter nights and hopefully nicer weather are here, this gives us the perfect opportunity to get outside, and play for longer periods of time in the afternoon, please ensure your children have the adequate clothing for varying weather conditions.

When the weather gets better we can start going off site to the local library, the Local Park, pet shop and coffee shops again. We will also have the children's committee and eco committee back on track during April. I hope you have all noticed the beautiful flowers in the macs garden, these were planted by P1 and P2 children last year.

The staff workshop will also be starting back up again. The children really enjoyed carrying out their own workshops, evaluation sheet from the children proved this. And we will carry on with children led workshops for as long as the children require us to do so. Please ask your child/children how their day at macs was, hopefully they can give you loads of great information about their day.



Activities and workshops planned by Staff will include, Dance, Drama, Painting, Baking, Healthy eating, Learning about different countries, Science experiments, Competitions and Quizzes.

These were requested by the children.

May I take this opportunity to inform you of training staff have recently undertaken and promotions they have received from January 2016.

Elaine-Undertaking B.A childhood practice (Glasgow University), Post Natal Depression training from Bluebell organization, Child protection Case Conference report, Wellbeing indicators (GIRFEC).

Ashley, Lauren and Judith have all been promoted to Practitioners

Ashley is currently undertaking SVQ 3 Play work

Judith is currently undertaking SVQ 2 Play work

Lauren has her SVQ 3 childcare

Hollie-Jo is a new member of staff, who will hopefully be carrying out her SVQ in September.

Staff have also attended Child protection training, food hygiene, first aid, mediation Disciplinary and Grievance procedures.

If you have any old dressing up clothes, newspapers and magazines, glass jars and recycling materials at home that you want to donate to us, we could make use of them at the project for lots of fun activities

Please ensure that you inform macs if your child **will not be attending** the project on their specific allocated days.

Children are getting their clothing mixed up or lost, please ensure your child's name is on their own clothing, this will help us at macs to easily identify clothing.

If you have any queries don't hesitate to contact  
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**St Joseph's landline - 0141 5707399**. You can also contact  
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**Thank You**  
**Elaine and Team**