#### Staffing

Ilaria, Emma, and Holly have joined our fantastic team at Viewpark Montessori. They have settled in well and are enjoying learning all about the nursery from both children and staff.

Congratulations to Siobhan and Kirstin who have been promoted to playroom managers in the Rainbow and Little Stars playrooms. We wish them every success in their new role!

More congratulations to Leanne who is expecting a baby next year. She will be leaving the nursery on the  $25^{\text{th}}$  of October to join the council. Aimee will be joining our team and brings with her a wealth of experience from her previous nursery – I am sure you will all welcome her with open arms.

#### **Christmas Fayre**

We are excited to be organising our annual Christmas Fayre, which will take place on the  $24^{\text{th}}$  November from 10am - 12pm. The tickets will be on sale very soon with adults being £1 and children 50p (this includes a visit to santa and a small gift)

All are welcome and we cannot wait to have a fun filled day with you all! A lot more information on this will follow at a later date.

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## Halloween Week

We will be having a spooktacular Halloween week once again at Viewpark Montessori.

Our Halloween week will commence on the 29<sup>th</sup> of October and during this week, children are welcome to dress up on their nursery days. The staff will dress up on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October to celebrate the event.

All three playrooms have organised a funfilled week for all of the children, which can be found on your monthly activity page.

We cannot wait to see all of your amazing costumes!

#### **Donations**

Our Christmas fayre is fast approaching, and we would be ever so grateful for donations to our raffle and / or tombola.

We will be looking for prizes and bottles for these – any help is much appreciated. Some of the parent committee and staff have been emailing companies asking for donations for our fayre. If you know any companies that would be happy to donate, please get in touch with senior management and we can organise a letter to be sent out.

Thank you all for your continued support – we really do appreciate everything you do for us!





#### **Cauliflower Cards**

The children have all been extremely busy creating masterpieces for Cauliflower Cards.

Staff will be asking you all if you would like to order any items such as cards, labels or mugs.

This is a lovely way to share your child's art work with loved ones during this seasonal time.

This is also another way for the nursery to fundraise. We receive some money from the order placed which is organized to benefit the children's learning through resources and experiences.



## **Parents Meetings**

We will be holding our parents meetings in November this year. We hope you can join us in sharing your child's learning and achievements.

The staff are preparing for the upcoming event, and will let you know very soon what your appointment times will be.

The playrooms will have their own individual day for parents night, and any siblings will be able to have their appointments on the same nights.

- 6th November The Sunshine Playroom
- 7th November The Rainbow Playroom
- 8th November The Little Stars Playroom

## **Pudsey Time**

Pudsey Bear will once again be visiting the nursery and we are super excited for this! On the 1<sup>st</sup> of November Pudsey will visit the children across the nursery. The children are welcome to dress in something Pudsey bear related. A special thank you to Maxine Smedley for organising this again for us.

We will also have a Pudsey week on the week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> November. The children can wear something Pudsey related on their nursery days.

The staff may have some exciting experiences that week for everyone. More information will soon follow.





## **Christmas Parties**

Christmas parties will be the week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> December. All of the children are invited to attend the party in the afternoon. Invitations will be with you all in due time;

- 11<sup>th</sup> December: Sunshine Playroom
- 12th December: Rainbow Playroom
- 13th December: Little Stars Playroom

## **Christmas Closure**

The nursery will close on the 20<sup>th</sup> of December 2018 at 4pm for the holidays.

We will re-open on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of January 2019.



#### **Parents Workshops**

We will be having a parent workshop each term, with focus on one playroom at a time.

We have asked the Sunshine playroom parents if they would like to attend a parent workshop during the first term, and we have received some response.

As we have many events scheduled for this term i.e. parents meetings, pudsey day, halloween, Christmas fayre and so on we have decided to hold the parent workshop in December.

We are hoping to organise a date soon, and we will let you know when this will be. Plans for the next workshops are;

Term 2 – Little Stars Playroom

Term 3 – Rainbow Playroom

## Lost and Found

There are many items looking for a home – remember to check the basket in the hallway for any items you may have lost.

## **Thank You**

Special thanks must be given to our recent visitors of the nursery. CM Dance Academy had the Sunshine and Rainbow playrooms moving with fabulous dance moves. Thank you, Victoria Murray, for organising this for the children.

Many thanks to Gail Graham for taking time out of her busy role as a midwife to teach the children about premature babies – they children learned so much and had lots fun with you!



# "Children spread joy in every season."

## **Nursery Website**

The nursery website is full of information, reminders and blog posts about what is happening within the nursery.

Please make sure to check the website, when you can, and if you have any ideas for the website please get in touch.

#### **Learning Journals**

The children have been learning all about Autumn across all three playrooms. The experiences that are being provided range from discovering textures to discussing hibernation and changes to weather. Remember to check your child's online journal to find out what they have been learning about. You can also share magic moments from home too – a great way to share home experiences with staff!



#### **The Little Stars Playroom**

**Playroom Manager** 

Kirstin Dickie

#### **Early Years Practitioners**

Kirstin Fitzsimmons

Emma Rhinds

Aimee Bett

## **The Sunshine Playroom**

## **Playroom Manager**

Kaylie Easton

#### **Early Years Practitioners**

Margaret Ferguson

Holly Muldoon



**Nursery Cook** 

**Tricia Munro** 

**Evening Housekeeper** 

Agnieslka Pietrzyk

Senior Management

Kirsten Brady: Nursery Principal Jennifer Brady: Financial Manager Sarah Crawford: Head of Centre



#### **The Rainbow Playroom**

**Playroom Manager** 

Siobhan Muir

## **Early Years Practitioners**

Ceri McCluskey Kirsten Carpenter Ilaria Rinaldi