

Safety



The safety of our pupils is of paramount importance to us. When dropping your child off please ensure you enter using our secure entry doors at the side of the nursery garden. All children must be signed in and out of the nursery by the recognised guardian. Should another adult be collecting your child please inform the nursery staff know upon drop off; at this point a password will be shared with you and this should be stated upon pick up.

Care Plans

Each child in our Nursery has a personal care plan which will be kept in their pupil profile. The plan outlines the child's current target that we will work on achieving through learning and play during the nursery sessions. These will be agreed in consultation with carers and must be signed and dated by both teacher and carer. As part of developing a care plan we take into consideration any changes in a child's life such as the loss of a pet that may impact on their wellbeing. Please let us know of any changes or circumstances and these will be noted on your child's individual care plan - we are aware that these may often be of a sensitive nature and are happy to keep these in a personal file rather than in the pupil folder which will be on an accessible shelf in the nursery.

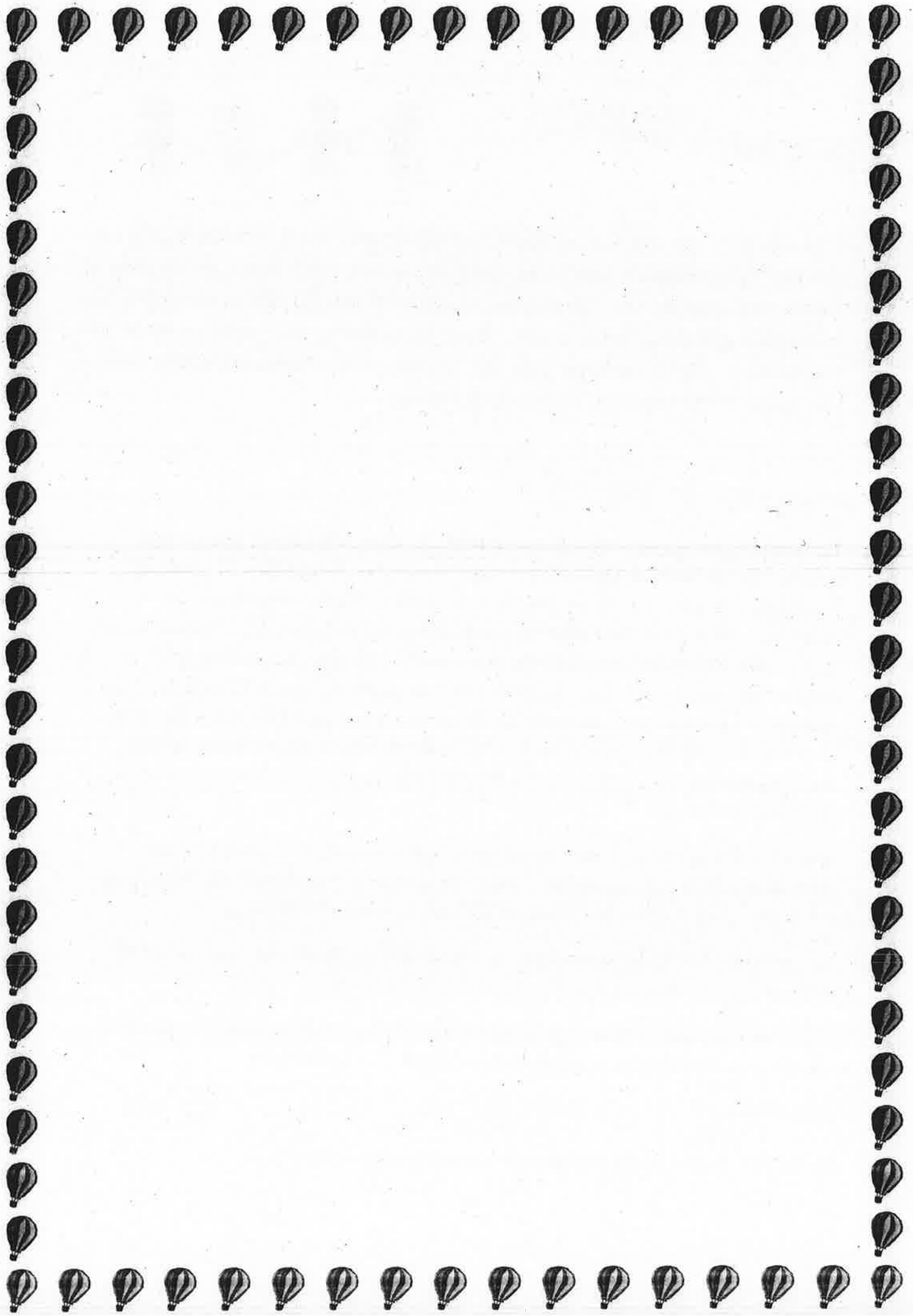
When a child has met a current target we will set a meeting to discuss progress, changes and set a new appropriate target for each child. Please feel free to share any child's interests at these sessions that will help to inform our planning.

For further information please refer to the nursery handbook available in school or online at: <http://www.struthers.sayr.sch.uk/nursery.html>

If you have any questions or queries do not hesitate to ask at the beginning/end of a session when collecting or dropping off we are always happy to help!

Many thanks,

Kirsty Neil, Pauline Galloway, Alison MacKenzie and Karen Kerr ☺





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Date: Academic Year 2016/2017

Dear Parent or Guardian

Childsmile Toothbrushing Programme

Childsmile is a national programme designed to improve the oral health of children in Scotland. Research tells us that brushing at least twice a day with fluoride toothpaste can help prevent tooth decay. To support this, Childsmile has developed a national daily supervised toothbrushing programme to take place in the nursery or school setting, **in addition** to brushing at home.

What does the toothbrushing programme involve?

- Children are given their own toothbrush showing a symbol which matches a corresponding symbol on a storage system and wall chart.
- Every day they will be supervised brushing their teeth with their own toothbrush and fluoride toothpaste supplied by the programme.
- All nurseries and schools participating in the toothbrushing programme will follow the National Standards for Toothbrushing.
- We monitor the toothbrushing programme to ensure we provide a good level of service.

For more information about the toothbrushing programme and its standards visit www.child-smile.org

Supervised toothbrushing

Children are supervised in the programme because young children need help with toothbrushing on a daily basis. At home, children should be encouraged to toothbrush themselves, but they will still need help and should be supervised with daily toothbrushing. This will help to ensure that they brush well and do not swallow toothpaste. Children who swallow too much toothpaste over a long period of time can develop white spots on their teeth. This is not tooth decay. The risk of developing white spots as a result of the toothbrushing programme is very small.

What do I need to do next?

Your child will be enrolled in the toothbrushing programme automatically at their nursery or school. You do not need to do anything. However, **if you do not want your child to take part** in the Childsmile toothbrushing programme please write to your child's nursery or school **within two weeks** of receiving this letter. You can of course change your mind at any time. If you have any questions please contact Lynda Wilde on 01292 513 998.

Yours sincerely

Lynda Wilde, Childsmile Co-ordinator, NHS Ayrshire & Arran

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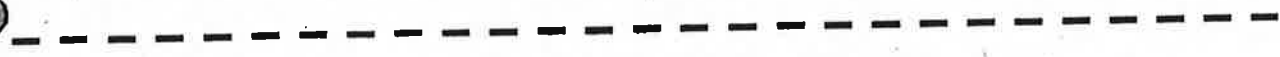


Please find below various consent forms relating to nursery routines.

Nursery E-mail Consent

I _____ (name) give permission for Struthers Nursery to contact me via e-mail regarding nursery events and updates.

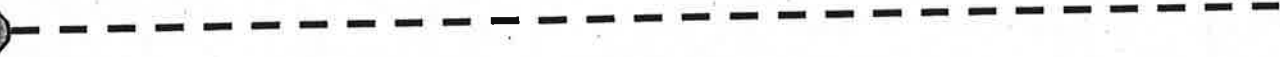
Sign: _____ Date: _____



Nursery Sun Screen Consent

I _____ (name) give permission for the staff at Struthers Nursery to apply sun protection to my child _____ (child's name) as deemed necessary.

Sign: _____ Date: _____



Edmodo

In our nursery we communicate with carers through edmodo.

Edmodo is an online networking application for teachers and students. Think Facebook, but a safe and controlled environment appropriate for school."

Edmodo can be accessed on both a computer and/or downloaded as an app for android or apple devices.

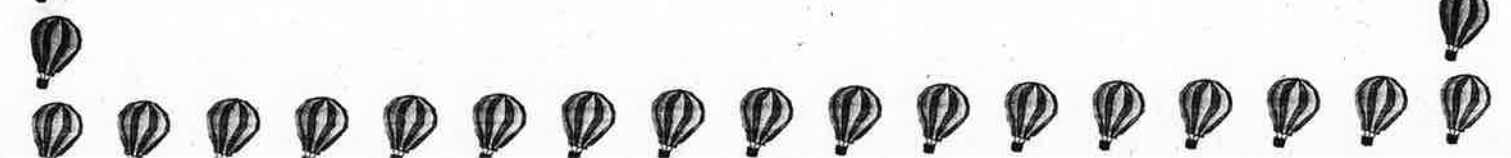
If you would be interested in accessing edmodo for updates and information about the nursery then please pop your e-mail address below and I will 'invite' you as a student to the private group. You will then receive a link to sign up as a student - follow the prompts and I will accept your request to join. Once you have been accepted to the group you can like and comment on posts.

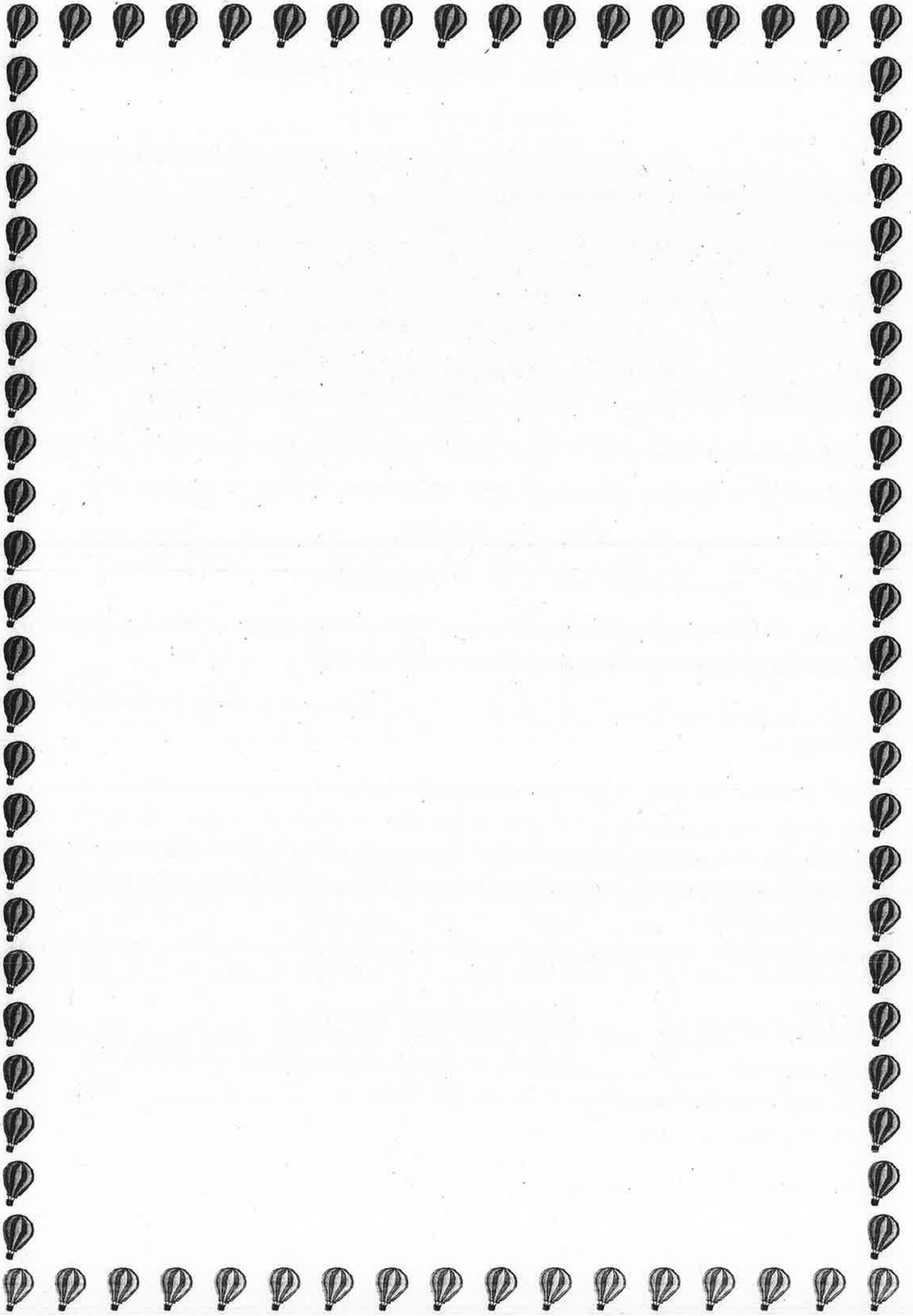


Nursery Edmodo Consent

(carers name) _____ would like to join the edmodo nursery group and give permission for photos and videos of my child (child's name) _____ to be shared in this private group.

mail(s): _____





SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Educational Services

Approved School Holiday Arrangements : 2016/2017

Term	Break	Dates of Attendance		Cumulative Holiday Total	Cumulative Working Days
First	Mid Term	Teachers (Inservice)	Tues	16 Aug 2016	
		Teachers (Inservice)	Wed	17 Aug 2016	
		Pupils return	Thurs	18 Aug 2016	
		<i>local holiday</i>	Fri	16 Sept 2016	1
		<i>local holiday</i>	Mon	19 Sept 2016	2
		Close	Fri	7 Oct 2016	
		Teachers (Inservice)	Mon	17 Oct 2016	
		Re-open (Pupils)	Tues	18 Oct 2016	
		Close	Fri	23 Dec 2016	7
Second	Mid Term	Re-open	Mon	9 Jan 2017	17
		Close	Thurs	9 Feb 2017	
		<i>local holiday</i>	Fri	10 Feb 2017	18
		<i>local holiday</i>	Mon	13 Feb 2017	19
		Teachers (Inservice)	Tues	14 Feb 2017	
		Re-open (Pupils)	Wed	15 Feb 2017	
		Close	Fri	31 Mar 2017	
Third	May Day	Re-open	Tue	18 Apr 2017	30
			Mon	1 May 2017	31
		Teachers (Inservice)	Thurs	4 May 2017	
		<i>local holiday</i>	Mon	29 May 2017	32
		Re-open (Pupils)	Tues	30 May 2017	
		Close	Wed	28 Jun 2017	
					66
					195
	Session 2017/18	Teachers (Inservice) Pupils return	Wed Thu	16 Aug 2017 17 Aug 2017	

NB Good Friday: 14th April 2017

Pupil's attendance will be 190 days after deducting 5 in-service days.



Wandering Wednesday's

Each Wednesday we will take half the nursery children out to the local environment, sometimes with a planned focussed and other times to simply enjoy exploring their local environment and some good old fresh air! The second half will take part in the same trip the following week.

Although we will often be visiting shops/services and the surrounding area in close proximity to the nursery, on some occasions we will venture further afield and may use public transport to get into town. We will always inform you of our Wandering Wednesday plan in our weekly bulletin. If you are happy for your child to take part in 'Wandering Wednesday's' please fill in the permission slip below and return to nursery as soon as possible

To ensure we have an appropriate ratio of adults to children for our outings we will require two helpers on a Wednesday morning (9-11:30) and two helpers on a Wednesday afternoon (1:00-3:30) if you are available and would like to help please let your child's key worker know either by popping in, on edmodo or fill in the timetable in our Foyer.

Wandering Wednesday's Consent

I _____(carer's name) give permission for my child
_____(child's name) to attend trips to the local environment,
including local shops and services and using public transport on a weekly basis.

Signed: _____

Print name: _____

Other notable events

Friday 2nd December School Christmas Fayre

Friday 16th December Nursery Christmas Concert

Monday 19th December Nursery Christmas Party

Thursday 2nd March School Show

Friday 31st March Easter Service - Pre School children attend

Friday 9th June Sports Day

Friday 23rd June Nursery Pre School Graduation

Monday 26th June Summer Church Service - whole nursery attend



School Closure - Holidays

Friday 16th September and Monday 19th September - Local Holidays

Friday 7th October - School Closes for October break reopens Tuesday 18th
October

Friday 23rd December School closes for Christmas break reopens Monday 9th
January

Friday 10th Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th February - Local Holidays

Friday 31st March - School closes for Easter break reopens Tuesday 18th
April

Monday 1st May - Mayday holiday

Thursday 4 May - closed for in service training

Monday 29th May - local holiday

Wednesday 28th June - School closes for summer break reopens 17th August

Struthers Nursery

Dates for the Diary 2016/17

There will be lots on at nursery and we will keep you informed of upcoming events in our weekly bulletins. However, we have outlined some dates below for key events throughout the year. If any of these change we will inform you as soon as possible

Stay n Play

We will be offering two Stay n Play dates each month balancing them out between the beginning and end of our week to ensure all children and parents have the opportunity to participate. Where only one date is offered it is due to it being a busy period in the nursery e.g. Christmas/May and June transition time. Times are most often 10:50-11:50am and 2:40-3:40pm we sometimes change these to suit our needs, for example if we wanted to use the gym hall, and would notify you before the date if this was the case.

Tuesday 6th September

Thursday 22nd September

Monday 3rd October

Friday 28th October

Thursday 17th November

Tuesday 29th November

Wednesday 14th December

Wednesday 25th January

Friday 17th February

Monday 27th February

Tuesday 20th March

Thursday 30th March

Monday 24th April

Thursday 18th May



We will offer additional Stay n Play dates for our children starting later in the year. These dates are as follows:

Friday 21st October

Monday 21st November

Wednesday 7th December

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