

Molendinar Family Learning Centre

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Home Learning

Please remember you are not in this alone, stay positive!

This is completely uncharted territory for us all and we want you to know that as a nursery we are here for you throughout these difficult times. We want to work closely with you whilst you are at home with your child.

It's a scary thought to have been tasked with home learning during this unsettling time and not knowing for how long, we really do understand your anxieties and want to do everything we can to help you.

We know from research into what has been the most successful for parents recently in isolation in other countries, that the best way we can support you is to have an open line of communication, keep you updated with activities, give you clear instructions and provide loads of ideas of additional activities so you have lots of choice.

At present you will receive an email from your child's keyworker with home learning that is suitable for your child's age and stage of development.

We are also updating our Facebook and Twitter page regularly.

Your child's keyworker will reply to your emails (however do be aware they are also supporting the nursery opening and have other jobs to complete in the day) so sometimes you may need to give them some time! They will always aim to email you back by the end of the day.

We welcome your feedback and encourage your interaction with us.

During the term-time holidays our Facebook and Twitter page will still be live however some keyworkers will all be taking a break so will get back to you after the holidays. The keyworkers won't be replying to emails during this time either as they'll be taking a well-deserved rest. Your child's keyworker will keep you informed how the holidays will affect you.

Please remember the nursery is still open and if you really need us or just want to chat please contact us on: 0141 770 7692.



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Dear Parent/Carer

EARLY YEARS' UPDATE

I wrote to you before the Christmas holidays to update you on the school and nursery arrangements following the Scottish Government's updated guidance to help suppress the spread of the virus and promised that I would keep in touch.

As you will be aware the delay to a return to face to face early learning and childcare for many of our children has now been extended to the middle of February at the earliest with the next update announcement from the government due on Tuesday 2 February.

I would like to take this opportunity once again to thank you all for your continued support of our nurseries while dealing with the daily anxieties and challenges that I know we are all facing now.

Our nurseries will continue to communicate with you and support families as best they can but please do let them know if you need any additional help during these difficult and uncertain times.

Remember we publish all updated information and news on dealing with the pandemic on our website:

<https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/article/26214/Coronavirus-COVID-19-advice-and-guidance-for-schools>

Hopefully I will be back in touch soon with more positive news about when our children and young people can get back to face to face learning in our nurseries.

Yours sincerely

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Executive Director of Education

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GET IN TOUCH

This was recommended to us. It will support
parent/carers who have a G21 postcode.

You pay £2.50



and this is an example of what you can get.

Some of the COVID 19 questions that we have been asked recently and answered.

We thought we would put them together and everyone could benefit from them.

Can children take home artwork?

Yes they can. We do minimise the number of people that touch the art work, and parent and child are advised to have strict handwashing.

Do we have visitors to the nursery?

Only essential visitors are admitted to the nursery. We always complete a track and trace form with them, and before entering the nursery they are asked to read our current guidance from the Scottish Government on safe working practices. Visits are limited.

What is our advice around wearing face coverings?

Updated ELC guidance on face coverings:

Adults should wear a face covering when moving about the nursery in corridors and confined communal areas (including toilets), staff rooms, (except when dining), office, and any area where physical distancing is particularly difficult, except for those who are exempt from wearing face coverings.

Adults must maintain a 2 metre distance from other adults when working together with groups of children.

We kindly ask for our parents, carers and other visitors to the nursery (whether entering the building or otherwise to wear a face covering, including parents at drop-off and pick-up.

Face coverings are not advisable for children under the age of five, particularly babies and toddlers.

Adults- Staff, parents, carers, visitors.



Can my child take part in baking activities?

Our latest guidance states: Children can still participate in baking activities at nursery, provided that we ensure they do not share baking utensils or equipment. Any baking that we do should only be eaten by the child or taken home. We follow strict enhanced hygiene procedures.

Up and coming holidays and in service days



What you said

I do not always know what my child has eaten for lunch

What we did

We have create a display in reception area outdoors which lets parent and carers know what was offered for lunch each day.

What you said

Can we have regular newsletters?

What we did

Yes we will make every effort to improve our communication through our newsletters, starting with this one.

What you said

Can we have more dolls? (Child)

What we did

These are ordered and will arrive soon.