

Real Radio

Last week we were lucky enough to have been contacted by Emma York from Real Radio as she was sourcing information regarding outdoor learning in order to cover this on their show. Yesterday Emma attended the Nursery and carried out an interview with Christina where the nursery highlighted the importance of outdoor learning for our children. This interview will be played on Real Radio today for anyone wishing to hear it, unfortunately Emma was unable to provide a time of when it will be aired.

Parents as Partners and Planning

As you are aware the nursery recently had an In-Service Training Day in order to address our new planning style for next year as the nursery will now be following 'A Curriculum for Excellence' as opposed to the '3-5 Framework' Guidelines, which staff are extremely excited about, as we are sure this new document will offer the children the opportunity to receive a broad and balanced curriculum as well as a smoother transition from nursery to school.

Staff will continue to plan in floorbooks with a topic of interest to the children. This topic will remain the same until the children decide otherwise. Children will be given the opportunity daily to add ideas/suggestions to their floorbook during meetings with their own groups and keyworker; however will still have the opportunity to decide which experiences they would like to participate in.

The children will still have their own folder; however the format of these will also be changing as currently the children have a profile with the 3-5 curriculum within it, however now the children will have Learning Stories which will tie in with the new Curriculum for Excellence and will be more personal to each individual child. This will also allow for the folders to go home on a more regular basis, giving parents the opportunity to be more involved in your child's learning as you will have the opportunity to add to your child's Learning Story with achievements they may make at home.

This will be discussed further at the Parents Evenings being held during September, however if you have any queries before then please feel free to speak with your child's keyworker who will be happy to assist.