



Newsletter



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'Children at Oasis are learners for life'

Dear families,

It has been a great start to the new academic year, and we are looking forward to the new year ahead.

Opportunities that your child is experiencing on a daily basis during their time at Oasis

Planned activities, such as key person circle time, physical focus, story time and personalised planning, provide babies and children with opportunities to develop a range of secure and positive relationships.

- **Talk Time:** All key persons plan daily talk time activities to support the development of their key children with a focus on communication and language development. These small circle times provide opportunities for your child to actively communicate, listen to others, respond to each other's thoughts and ideas and work in small groups. This enables your child to grow in confidence, develop their self-esteem and become more independent in a range of situations.
- **Phonics Time:** Pre-School staff follow the Read Write Inc phonics programme to support the children with their developing their early reading and writing skills. Pre-School children are currently working on their first 5 sounds (m/a/s/d/t). Please ask at the office if you would like further information.
- **Physical Focus:** We plan a daily physical focus for children and staff to join in together and encourage physical play in all aspects of learning. Babies and toddlers learn by being active and physical development takes place across all areas of learning and development. Physical activities enable your child to feel the positive benefits of being healthy and active and help them to develop a positive sense of well-being.
- **Free-Flow:** The inside and outside environments are separated into the 7 areas of learning. This helps your child's key person to plan a wide range of activities to help your child progress towards the early learning goals. There is a balance of communication friendly spaces both inside and outside which provides many learning opportunities for the children. We are not only taking the 'learning environment' outdoors but bringing the outdoors in to the indoor 'learning environment' using natural objects.



- **Personalised Planning:** Your child's key person plans daily next steps for your child, tailored to meet his/her individual needs, cultural background and interests. Key persons make observations of these activities which then help them to plan future next steps for your child's learning, development and interests. You will receive an update on your child's progress during parent telephone consultations in November.
- **Free-Play:** Your child has access to all the resources in their room so if there is something specific, they would like they are free to make their own choices.

- **Café Snack/Lunch:** Café snack encourages your child to make their own healthy choices about what they would like to eat and drink. Café snack and lunch times encourage children and adults to actively communicate, listen and respond to each other's ideas.
- **Circle time:** Each day the pre-school children join in with 'Circle Time' at the end of the morning and afternoon session. This activity includes topic discussions, stories, singing, puppets and games to encourage children's social interaction, encourage listening and attention skills and promote self-confidence.

Role Play Areas

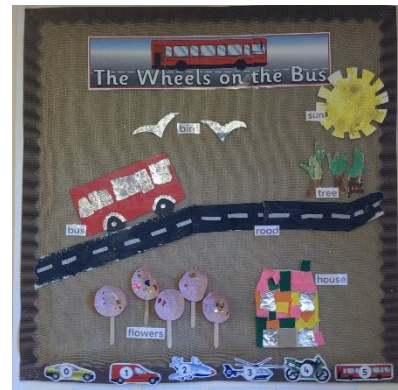
Every term the staff and children create a new and exciting role-play area based on our termly themes and the interests expressed by the children.

This term the toddlers and pre-school have created a **Garden Centre** to support the children with developing their understanding of growth, decay and caring for the natural world around us.

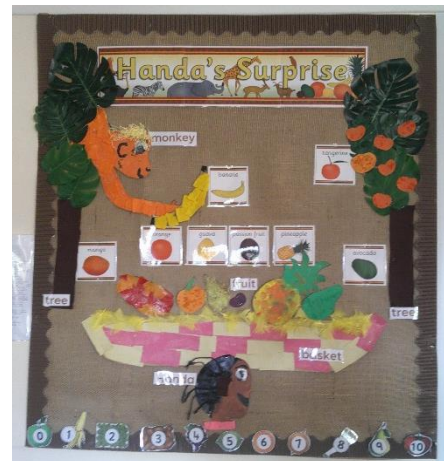
Story and Song Boards

Every term each room creates a new and exciting story/song board based on our termly themes and the interests expressed by the children.

The baby room at Marazion Oasis are following the song of **"Wheels on the bus"**. This interactive song is supporting the babies with developing coordination skills when exploring different movements and actions, exploring sounds, develop their listening and attention, and creating musical masterpieces.



The toddler and pre-school children at Marazion Oasis are reading the story of **"Handa's surprise"**. This story is supporting the children to learn about different fruits and vegetables, prompts discussions about healthy eating and staying fit and healthy, encourages listening and attention skills, and promotes British Values such as celebrating similarities and differences and being kind to others. It also provides opportunities to count and sort story sack items such as animals and fruits.



Contact Details

If you have recently had changes with regards to your contact details, i.e. change of address, contact telephone numbers including your work, please could you complete the contact details form attached and return to the office. This helps us to ensure that we have up-to-date contact details in case of emergencies. Thank you.

Parents' Policy Board

This month the staff have reviewed the Child Protection Policy, Emergency Contingency Plan and Manual Handling Policy. If you would like to receive an emailed copy of these policies, please email or speak to a member of staff. Alternatively, you can access these on our website. Your feedback would be gratefully appreciated.

Funded Sessions/Hot Lunches - Half Term

The last funded day before the October half term is Friday 21.10.22. Funded sessions resume on Monday 31.10.22.

Marazion Oasis will be closed for the school holidays from Monday 24.10.22 to Friday 28.10.22 inclusive. As stated previously, your child is guaranteed a space at Ludgvan Oasis.

Hot lunches will not be available from Monday 24.10.22 to Friday 28.10.22 inclusive, as Ludgvan School will be closed for the half term. Hot lunches will resume on Monday 31.10.22.

Hot Lunches

Please note that there will be no hot lunches on Thursday 20.10.22 and Friday 21.10.22 as Marazion School will be closed for inset days. If your child attends on these days, please could they bring a packed lunch. Thank you for your continued support.

Parent Consultations

We will be undertaking parent consultations via telephone during the 07.11.22 with your child's room leader. This is due to the logistics of giving staff access to the setting's phone system.

If you would like to request an appointment please complete and return the attached form via email or to a member of staff during drop off/collection, as soon as possible indicating your preferred date/time and we will endeavour to accommodate you. Time slots will be allocated by Friday 4th November and the slip will be returned to you with your confirmed time.

Telephone consultation appointments will be used to discuss your child's progress. We will have to limit these calls to a maximum of 10 minutes, however if there is something you feel you need to discuss in more detail the room leader will happily make a further appointment for you at a later date.

Headlice - Treatment and Prevention

Please can we ask that you regularly check your child's hair for headlice. This is important in order to make sure that the source of infection is always managed. Local expert advice supports treatment with the Wet Combing Method - at least a weekly check of wet hair at hair wash time to detect headlice using a good quality detection comb and any conditioner. If live lice are detected this method should be used every 3 days for 2-3 weeks in order to prevent re-infection. If you find someone in your family has headlice, it is important to inform all close contacts. Thanks.

Designated Safeguarding Team

As part of our safeguarding procedures we have a Designated Safeguarding Lead who is **Lorna Trudgeon**, Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads who are **Juliette George and Briony Sedgeman** and Assistant Designated Safeguarding Leads who are **Emily Wallis and Lindsay Roberts**.

Mark Fletcher is currently the Designated Safeguarding Lead on the Management Committee.

More information is available in our policies and procedures, which are displayed in the reception area or on our website.

Diary Dates

Half Term / No hot lunches / Marazion Oasis Closed

Monday 24.10.22 - Friday 28.10.22 inclusive

Funded Sessions

Last funded day - Friday 21.10.22

Funded sessions resume - Monday 31.10.22

Parent Consultations - Telephone appointments

Monday 7.11.22

Annual Staff Christmas Fundraiser 26th November 2022 - More information to follow.

Saturday 26.11.22

Christmas Music and Dance session with MADE - Babies and Toddlers

Thursday 08.12.22

Christmas Nativity Sing Song - Pre-School Children - More information to follow

Tuesday 13.12.22

Christmas Closure

Monday 19.12.22 to Monday 02.01.23 inclusive. First day back Tuesday 03.01.23

Thank you for your continued support.

Lorna Trudgeon

Senior Centre Manager

