

Royal Mile Early Years 2018-19 Newsletter 5

Welcome back from the Christmas holiday everyone and Happy New Year to all of our families. We hope you had a relaxed and happy time off and are ready for another busy and exciting term ahead.

You will have noticed some changes to our morning registration procedure, with children now self-registering on our smartboard. We ask that parents continue to bring their child into the nursery room, help them to register and then settle them at a task before saying goodbye. We hope that by moving children's trays into the parents' room you will have more time and space to get children ready and we welcome you using this room throughout the week. Juice, tea, coffee and biscuits are always available to parents - just ask a member of staff if you require milk.

We will be celebrating Chinese New Year with special snacks and lots of singing and dancing! Outdoor play and exploring our local community will also be a big focus for us this term. We will continue to take part in daily outdoor play and will be out and about in the community at least once every week, from exploring the local services like the library and shops to learning in the parks and forest spaces. We are looking forward to some colder weather so we can explore the properties of water and ice.

Last term we began a more personalised approach to our planning. Many of you completed 'planning for your child's learning' sheets and we were able to plan experiences especially for your child and share these with you via the online learning journals. We will be doing another round of these focus weeks for each of our children between now and the February holiday and will be taking this opportunity to ask parents and carers to feedback to us on how you find this process and how it is working for you and your child, please do respond as it really does help us.

Mrs Peoples and the Early Years Team

Important Dates:

Tuesday 5th February: Stay and Play - 9.00 - 9.45AM, complete an activity with your child at the start of the nursery session, Chinese New Year Theme!

Friday 8th February - 11.15AM - Art Gallery in school, details to follow.

Friday 8th February - Finish for Half Term Break.

Monday 18th February - All children return, 9AM.



**£25 snack and funds money now due for January-April,
Please pay via parent pay as soon as possible.*