



Bellsquarry ELC Weekly Newsletter.

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This week we have been exploring People Who Help Us in our daily lives such as Doctors and Fire Fighters. We have enjoyed using small world play, outdoor resources and a range of books and online tools to explore this topic.



1 - Fire fighter Autumn wont let the rain stop her.



2 - Doctor Harris reporting for duty "can I check your heart?"



3 - "Oh no the Den is on fire, quick put it out!!"

Autumn and Loose Parts Play



With the arrival of Autumn there is no better time to look at our Loose Parts resources and how we can add to this throughout our nursery.

Introducing simple, everyday objects can improve creativity, boost social and problem-solving skills and support inclusion. "A 'loose parts' toy, is open-ended; children may use it in many ways and combine with other loose-parts through imagination and creativity. Nature, which excites all the senses, remains the richest source of loose parts." *Richard Louv, Author (Play Scotland)*

Please click the link below to view some examples of Loose Parts resource.

<https://www.playscotland.org/resources/loose-parts-play-updated/>

If you come across anything you no longer needs or want at home which is listed above or that you believe would be a great addition to our Loose Parts collection please do not hesitate to bring it along to Nursery, we are always grateful for your wonderful donations. We will then quarantine these and follow our cleaning procedures to make sure these are safe for use in nursery.

Below are some amazing examples of how the children have been using the Loose parts in nursery since returning in August.



4 - Construction worker Brodie - "It's a house!"



5 - Three brilliant chefs making soup together!



6 - Team work makes the dream work

Snack Ordering



Every week the children help the ladies at nursery create a snack menu for the next week and are great at coming up with yummy ideas that keep us Harry Healthy too. This week the children worked together to ordering our snack online using the smart board. This will be continued each week going forward, a big thank you for all your help.





We have had a misplaced jumper in nursery this week. This is a brand new blue nursery jumper with the nursery logo stitched on the front and a child's name ironed on the inside. We are calling for your help to keep an eye out for the jumper at home and if you come across this if you could please return the jumper to nursery so it can be returned to its owner, thank you for all your help in advance!

People Who Help Us!



As there is a continued interest in People Who Help Us within nursery, we will continue to explore a number of different professions and the people who help us in our community.



7 - This week our tidy up song was chosen by Ailish who "loves to listen to this song in the car!"

We hope you enjoy!!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v_B3qkp4nO4



8 - At Bellsquarry we value our partnership with parents/carers. We would like to invite you all to join our ELC Parent Support Group. As part of this support group we would ask you to help with things such as fundraising for new resources, our Weekly Woodland walks and other activities within and outwith the setting (when restrictions allow). If this is something you would be interested in and feel you have some time to spare, it doesn't have to be a lot of time, then please speak to a member of staff. Thank you.



9 - We like to keep you up to date in many ways with all the exciting things we do in nursery. One way of doing this is twitter. If you don't already follow us, go on and take a look at what the ELC and school are doing.

Have a lovely weekend, from all the Staff at Bellsquarry ELC!