



CAMBUSBARRON VILLAGE NURSERY

Our Service

We provide high quality early learning experiences for children from 2½ to school age. We operate in partnership with Stirling Council to offer fully funded (free) places to eligible* children. We welcome younger children on a fee paying basis. We place a high value on the benefits of outdoor learning particularly on learning in a natural environment and provide regular Woodland Play Session held in the local woodlands.

We offer 6 hour sessions between 0845-1515 Monday-Friday during school term times.

* Eligibility criteria can be found in Stirling Council's Nursery Admissions and Charging Policy.

We are a Community Interest Company

We are a nonprofit making organisation and any surplus is invested back into our service for the benefit of our community.

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As we approach the festive season I have the following information to pass along to you.

Christmas Kindnesses

Our usual acts of Christmas Kindness are necessarily curtailed this year because of COVID-19. We are nonetheless hoping to spread a little Christmas cheer around the village albeit in a more limited fashion.

Christmas Lunch

We will be celebrating Christmas with a special lunch provided by the school catering service on Wednesday December 16th. This lunch is free to children attending on a funded basis and can be purchased by others at a cost of £2.20. The menu is available on our [website](#). The school require numbers by Monday 7th December so please confirm attendance by then.



Christmas Party

We will be having our Christmas party on the morning of Wednesday December 23rd. All of our children are welcome to attend. Party clothes are optional. Please let us know in advance if your children will be coming to the party so that we have numbers for catering. We regret that we cannot invite parents to join us for the party and, more importantly, that Santa will be unable to come. He has been in discussion with our staff however and we hope that he might be able to take the time out his busy schedule to send us a Christmas message 🙏



Calendar and Cards

We have created an amazing [2021 calendar](#) containing some of the photos taken in Gillies Hill Community Woodland during our woodland play sessions. Calendars cost just £6 each and would make a great Christmas present. Email us (Jane@CambusbarronVillageNursery.com) to order.

We want to say a big thank you to Laura for organising our lovely Christmas cards and also to those of you who bought them.



School Enrolment

Stirling Council have provided us with the following information for parents of children starting school in August 2021 :

"If your child is starting their primary school education in August 2021 you must enrol him/her at their catchment school by 29 January 2021. Details of school catchment areas and further information on our enrolment procedures can be found by visiting our website www.stirling.gov.uk or by contacting us on 01786 233185".

Woods in the Winter



Our children have been enjoying our regular visits to the woods, and particularly they have enjoyed playing in the burn and the mud. We helped Amos, the woodland manager, to put up bird and squirrel feeders and have been keeping them topped up with seed. This has prompted some of our children to show an interest in identifying and naming birds and learning more about what they eat.

We have purchased a rucksack for each of our children and they are looking forwards to taking them to the woods. These bags will stay in nursery. Please supply a change of clothes for us to keep in these bags so that we can change any wet clothing before children get cold. A reminder again that wearing the right clothes makes a

real difference to the play and learning that happens in the woods - information about what to wear can be found in our [Woodland Play Handbook](#) (available on our website) and also our [YouTube channel](#).



Staff Team

We are pleased to be supporting Rebecca, a student from Forth Valley College, as she works towards an HNC in Early Learning and Childcare. We are also pleased to welcome Helen formally to the staff team in the role of Support Worker. Helen has been helping us for some time in a relief role and we are delighted that she is now more officially part of our staff team.

Spare Clothing

If your child has come home in nursery clothing we would be very grateful if it could be returned to us. We are again getting low on pants and socks as well as nursery puddle suits.

COVID-19



I do hope this may be the last time I have to make an announcement about COVID-19 (👉) but I do need to remind you that face coverings *must* be worn when in the community centre and that parents should "sign in" and out using our Test and Protect QR code (or use venue code 9905).

We are currently monitoring our pick up/collection procedures as we may need to introduce a one way system through the centre at collection as well as drop off time in the new year when there is the

potential for other users to be in the centre. Meantime, please remember to use a face covering if you need to enter the community centre via the Sports Hall and to keep 2m distant from other adults.

End of Term

Nursery will close for the Christmas holidays at 12:30 on Wednesday December 23rd. This will be after both the party in the morning and lunch which will be served at 12noon.

Reopening

Nursery will re-open at 8:45am on Thursday January 7th 2021.



The staff team and directors at CVN wish you all a Merry Christmas and we have high hopes for a less eventful 2021.

Kind regards

Jane

