

# APRIL NEWSLETTER 2017

Hello lovely parents and carers,

We've only been back a fortnight but busy, busy, busy.

The Scouts have been out with Mrs Bryce, Mr Steele and Mrs McLaughlin at Asda bag packing in order to help raise money for Guide Dogs. They raised £238. Not bad for half an hours work!

Details and photos are on our website. Their good manners and behaviour were commented on by everyone they met. Mrs Binks, our good friend at Asda gave the lads a goody bag for their hard work.

The lovely Mrs McIntosh has left for her maternity "break" and the Pentland Providers surprised her at Golden time with a Baby shower organised by the pupils.

The classes all worked to put on a party, one responsible for games, one for decorations etc.

The Baby bingo was taken very seriously. Calum was an excellent Bingo Caller. We also had a 'Wrap the mummy' where unsuspecting "volunteer" staff were wrapped in toilet tissue by the pupils to make 'The Best Mummy'. It was a huge hit. And yes it was embarrassing.

Our staff are constantly updating their skills. This month it's been CEM testing (an online diagnostic assessment for reading and maths skills) and Calms training. Our In-service day on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May is all about evaluating our progress so far and planning for next session. The staff are also busy writing the end of term reports which will come to you at the end of May.

We will be welcoming a new play specialist on Friday who will work with children to supplement our nurture room work and our art therapy work.

A new team of mechanics is off to Lagta for their work experience as well.

May already.

Speak soon

Carla