



SPELL

Support for Play & Early Learning in Lanarkshire

SPELL have been extremely busy over the last few weeks taking a lot of bookings for training, play activities and Little Hedgehogs. A reminder to all new committees that if you require any support with your baby & toddler groups or playgroups please contact our office on 01698 768933 and we can arrange for one of our Support Workers to come out and visit you.

Little Hedgehogs Outdoor Toddler Group

Our next block of 4 sessions will be run at Langlands Moss, East Kilbride starting on 31st October 2018. The afternoon sessions are now full however, there is still availability at the morning group.

4 sessions for £10 per family
To book, please email
littlehedgehogs.spell@gmail.com



Langlands Moss, East Kilbride Wednesdays	
10am - 11.30am	31st October 2018 7th November 2018 14th November 2018 21st November 2018

Play Activities

Last month our new play activity programme was published, details of which can be found on our website at

www.spell-lanarkshire.com/playactivities

We are able to offer every group registered with SPELL one FREE activity from August until end of June 2019. If you would like a particular date please make sure you book early to avoid disappointment.

Sparkle Safely

Did you know that sparklers get 5 times hotter than cooking oil? Sparklers are not toys and should never be given to a child under 5.

The Scottish Fire and Rescue service give this advice.

- Store Sparklers and other fireworks in a closed box in a cool, dry place.
- Always light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves.
- Never hold a baby or child if you have a sparkler in your hand
- Plunge finished sparklers hot end down into a bucket of water as soon as they have burnt out. Remember sparklers stay hot for a long time.
- Do not take sparklers to public displays. It will be too crowded to use them safely.

More information on keeping safe On firework night can be found at www.firescotland.gov.uk/your-safety/fireworks-safety



SPELL Directors

SPELL continually look to improve our level of service and are therefore always keen to welcome individuals with experience and knowledge of the pre-five or voluntary sector to join our Board of Directors. If you are interested or would like more information about joining our team please contact us on 01698 768933 or at

spell.org@btopenworld.com

Future Newsletters

If you would like us to feature anything in future newsletters, please let us know. If you would like to receive this newsletter electronically please email us at spell.org@btopenworld.com and request that you are added to our mailing list.

Training

We still have spaces on the following courses:

- Makaton - Thursday 11th October in East Kilbride
- Emergency First Aid for Parents and Carers - 3rd November in East Kilbride
- Promoting Positive Behaviour - Tuesday 6th November in Hamilton

All our courses are free and open to all parents and childcare staff and volunteers who work within toddler groups and playgroups in South Lanarkshire.

The Paediatric First Aid course is now fully booked.

To book a space on any of the above courses please call Wendy on 01698 768944.

Group News

We are unable to advertise all of our groups individually as there are too many to do this however, each month we will mention any new groups that have opened and any open days being held. If your group is on Facebook we are also able to share any posters promoting your groups so please let us know if you would like us to do this.

Open Days

Incy Wincy Spider Parent & Toddler Group
Friday 2nd November 2018, 9.30am - 11.30am.
Claremont Parish Church, High Common Road,
St Leonard's East Kilbride G74 2AU

* Open Day Includes a Spell Activity*

Winter Car Safety

Keep your little snow angels safe



Why is it a problem for your child to wear a thick or puffy coat in their car seat?

1
The harness does not fit close to your child's body if a coat or jacket is worn.

2
Thick clothing can make it easier for your child to slip their harness straps off.

3
When the car warms up, your child can easily overheat.



We have published this before in a previous newsletter but as the weather starts to turn colder we thought it would be good to remind parents and carers about the concerns of over dressing your children in the car. Good Egg Safety who produced this poster is endorsed by Police Scotland, Road Safety Scotland and the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service. They have a website full of information about choosing the right car seats and keeping your children safe in the car. www.goodeggcarsafety.com

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