



Hello Everyone

It is strange to say this will be my last newsletter of 2011! As we are fast approaching Christmas and New Year. I'm sure there will be lots of Christmas planning going on.

I hope you enjoy the rest of the newsletter, I am happy to receive your feedback, it is always appreciated.

If I don't see you all before, have a wonderful Christmas and I'll see you all in 2012.

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## Adverse Weather

Our Highland weather can often be unpredictable and unexpected. It is important all centres put together a procedure for adverse weather, so parents and carers can find out if your centre is closed in bad weather, as well as a process for contacting parents should the weather become bad your centre makes the decision to close. It is especially important to check all parents contact details are correct.

You can also dial Highland Council Access Number 0870 0546999 the enter the schools pin number .

MFR Radio 102.8fm announces regular

## Environmental Health

All centres that provide food such as snack now need to be registered with the highland council. It is a straight forward form you need to complete in order to register.

Environmental health can enter your premises at anytime and inspect your food area. The main things to remember is to keep your food hygiene training up to date and to put into practice what you have learnt. Any questions please let me know.



The Care Inspectorate has sent out requests for Self Assessments, so some of you may have inspections pending. Should you need any help with completing these let me know. As SCSWIS has now changed to Care Inspectorate it is important that any relevant policies or documents need to have the new title. This won't be done over night but it's important that policies such as the complaints procedure are amended first. All registration documents printed with the SCSWIS logo are still valid and do not need to be reprinted.

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## Just Some Fun



*This is "MERRY CHRISTMAS"  
in which language??*



## Training Dates

Training	Dates	Venue
Planning for Improvement through self evaluation (LA)	18 <sup>th</sup> January 2012	Dingwall Education Centre
ICT: Word Processing 2	24 <sup>th</sup> January 2012	Dingwall Education Centre
Developmental Disorders	9 <sup>th</sup> February 2012	Dingwall Education Centre
Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC)	21 <sup>st</sup> February 2012	Dingwall Education Centre
Planning for Improvement through Self Evaluation (PC)	7 <sup>th</sup> February 2012	Dingwall Education Centre
Solution Focused Approaches	28 <sup>th</sup> February 2012	Dingwall Education Centre

### Snowman Bookmark

#### You will need:

- Blue card
- White paint
- Black pen
- A selection of other coloured pens
- Hole punch
- Thin coloured cord or embroidery silk to make a small tassel



Cut a rectangle 15cm x 5cm out of the blue card,

With the white paint and using a thumb print for the body and a finger print for the head, print several snowmen down the card. The number you can print will depend on the size of the child's fingers. Leave the snowmen prints to dry.

Using a black pen add a hat, some eyes and buttons. Then add noses; these can be orange as shown to represent an orange or a carrot and then add some scarves in the colours of your choice.

To complete the bookmark, punch a hole at the bottom and add a tassel.

Make the tassel by cutting five 12cm lengths of coloured cord or embroidery silk. Fold the lengths in half by looping them over your finger, then push the looped ends through the small hole on the bookmark from the front to the back. Allow enough to pull the loose end through the loop and tighten up like a tying a tie.



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