



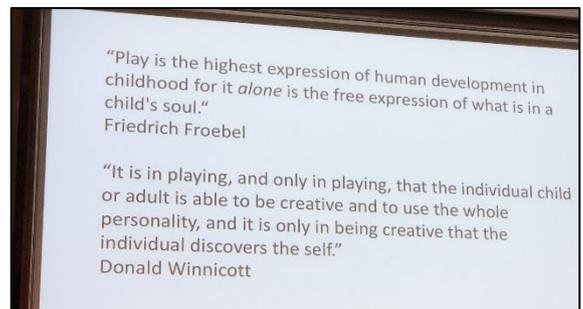
### Professor of Play – Paul Ramchandani Froebel Trust Inaugural Lecture

Did you know that there is a “Professor of Play” funded by LEGO®? On Wednesday evening Debby and Mark were invited to the Inaugural Lecture of the Froebel Trust at the Royal Institute of British Architects, London. The lecture was given by Paul Ramchandani, the Professor of Play in Education,



Development and Learning at Cambridge University on the theme 'Right from the start: Play, Relationships and Learning'. The Professor talked about the importance of early relationships with young children and the joy in learning. His words which sang true to Annan were “The more we can promote joy and sustaining close relationships the better children’s lives will be”. So much is written about what can make children happier and achieve better results. Froebel believed that relationships are at the heart of learning and the work we do in school to nurture our children and show them love, respect and kindness will not only enrich their experience now but will be key to their long-term development.

The evening included the book launch of The Routledge International Handbook of Froebel and Early Childhood Practice. Professor Tina Bruce, one of the book's editors, explained the key role the Froebel Trust had played in the concept of the book, informally known as 'The Froebel Story'. A case study of Annan is included in the book. Paul Ramchandani opened his speech with a slide containing a quote from Froebel on play.



### Froebel Trust funded work with Andrea Mathias from the Froebel Seminar in Kassel, Germany

Last Friday and Saturday we were thrilled to have Andrea Mathias with us from Germany. On Friday Andrea worked with all the classes from kindergarten right through to 11 year olds with gifts and Froebel activities. On Saturday the whole staff team had a full day's training with Andrea exploring materials, some of which we had never seen before. We spent time thinking about the deeper meaning of the Gifts, in particular Froebel's thinking behind Gift Two and how this feeds into all the other Gifts. Every child made Gift 2 to keep and the staff got a handbook, put together by Andrea on the use of the Gifts. It was a really inspiring two days thanks to funding from a Froebel Trust Grant.



## Annan Open Day

Tell your friends about our Open Day after Half Term. All the teachers will be in school to talk to prospective parents.

If you can come along to serve refreshments and chat to parents new to the school do let us know.

Anyone who registers their child between now and 30<sup>th</sup> November pays no registration fees.



Annan  
The Froebel School

# Open Day

Saturday 10th November  
10am - 12pm 01825 841410  
annanschool.co.uk

30hrs  
funding  
available

## Winter ❄️ Festival 2018 Update

Hi,

I just wanted to keep you all updated with our Winter Festival plans.

The event will be [on Sunday 9th December from 12-3pm](#). There will be food & drinks, games, activities, stalls, entertainment and much more. Hopefully the Snow Queen might make an appearance too.

Please keep the day free if you can. I know it is a very busy time of year, but it would be great if everyone could come. Bring friends and family with you too-the more the merrier!

Thank you to all of you who have already offered to help, I really appreciate it. After the Autumn break, I will have a list of ways in which you can support us from baking a cake to running a stall, so look out for me in the playground with my clipboard!

Happy Holidays

Best wishes, **Nadine & the Friends Committee**

## Infant House Visit to Hurstwood View Care Home

Children from the infant house went to visit Hurstwood View Care Home on Wednesday. They enjoyed a lovely afternoon singing songs and playing games with the residents. This is such a special part of the curriculum for the children, they are now so relaxed in the company of the elderly people and have begun to regard them as friends.



### Timetable for w/c 29.10.18

#### Monday

Inset Day

#### Tuesday

School lunch: Pizza + Veggies

Kinderplay 10.00-11.30am

ISA visit

#### Wednesday

#### Thursday

#### Friday

## Dates for your Diary

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October

Inset Day (Woodwork Training for staff)

Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> November (pm)

Flu vaccines (afternoon)

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November 10am – 12pm

Whole School Open Morning

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 4pm

Advent Lantern Festival

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 12pm-3pm

Winter Festival

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm

Christmas Piano Recital

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 3pm

Christmas Nativity Production (*details shortly*)

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Last Day of Term

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Inset Day

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January

Inset Day

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January

First Day of Spring Term