



Oakburn EYC

July 2021

Blog

We have introduced a weekly blog which we post on e-journals weekly. It will give an insight into play opportunities in the centre.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/glowblogs/oakburn/>

E Journals



All children will have an e-journal. Please let us know if you have trouble logging in.

Thank you for all the lovely comments and photo's from home. We have been putting them up on our 'wow' walls.

Questionnaire

Thank you to everyone who completed the questionnaire. We will email a break down of the feedback and actions to improve. Your comments are very much appreciated. We are glad that you have had a great start here in Oakburn EYC

Parent request

One of our parents is keen to set up play dates with other parents and children.

We will drop a survey to you with one question. Can we share your email with other parents.

For parents that say yes we will create a group for you and email it out.

We will also post some group photo's so that you can talk to your child about their friends.

Oakburn News

As you know Milngavie EYC is moving into Oakburn EYC until 30th July. We have split the centre into bubbles. We are one bubble, they are 2 bubbles.

We have a summer programme starting next week which we do during longer holiday periods as staff are off on annual leave and children go on holiday etc.

July 4

Makaton Movie & Singing

5th –8th July [America Theme week](#)

5th American Arts and Crafts

6th America BBQ

7th Disney Character day

8th American Festival Day - Crazy hair, Face paints

12th-16th July [Sports Week -](#)

12th Obstacle course

13th Bring your scooter to nursery

14th Sports day

15th Parachute day

16th Bike day

19th—23rd July [Outdoor fun -](#)

19th **Bank holiday- Centre closed**

20th Water Fight (weather dependent)

21st Nature Walk

22nd Bug Hunt/Scavenger hunt

23rd Mud slide day

26th –30th July -[All around the world week](#)

26th Scotland

27th Spain

28th Russia

29th England –Teddy Bears picnic

30th China

Parenting workshop

We have spoken to a few parents who are keen on some parenting workshops. We thought we could start off with bed time routines. Shirleyanne will discuss good bedtime routines, the challenges and possible solutions.

We have planned this for **Wednesday 14th July @ 10.30am**. We will send a link out to you.

Shirleyanne can also offer 1:1 sessions. Please just ask us

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Look at us



Improvement Plan priorities

We have just evaluated our improvement plan and created our new objectives for the next academic year.

We will be focusing on:

- Learning, Teaching and Assessment
- Developing an enabling environment
- Building a Team
- Building relationships to support transitions.

The plan will be available in the centre and on the website from August.

Covid

A parent has enquired if we would inform everyone if we had a covid outbreak. We will email to let everyone know in-case families have vulnerable family members. If you do not receive a call informing you that your child has to self isolate, it means it has not affected their bubble.

S.T.E.M grant

We applied for a S.T.E.M (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) grant. We just found out we were successful! The grant will be focused on building relationships with local centres and schools. We will be booking training for our staff and other school and other nursery staff in woodwork. This will then become the focus of transition visits through the year from November—June.

This project will build positive relationships with school staff and children that will be attending the same school as your child who is based in another centre. The hope is that children will have a broader friendship group when they start school.

As Oakburn is very outdoor focused, we are keen to develop our staff skills in woodwork that can be shared with the children.

We will share dates and other information in the near future.

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Spare clothes

A little reminder to make sure all draw string bags on the Children's pegs contain spare trousers, tops, pants and socks. As children participate in different sensory and outdoor play in all weather, this will help ensure all children have a change of clothes for any accidents or messy play.



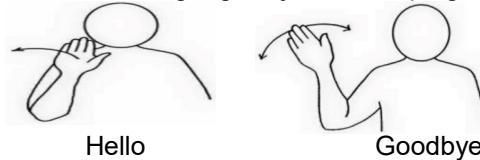
Family photo's

Thank you to everyone who has uploaded or sent in family photo's. We have created family trees for the children to look at in the playrooms. If you haven't sent one in yet you can upload into e-journals and we will print them off.



Makaton

We have introduced 'please' and 'thank you' in a makaton. The children are becoming very good using the signs at snack and lunch time. We have just introduced 'hello' and 'goodbye'. This supports children's communication skills, particularly for children where language is just developing.

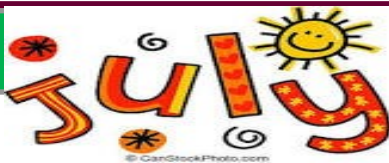


Sun Safety

As we welcome the lovely sunny weather, we are also aware of the damage this can have on your child's skin. Please remember to apply sun cream to your child before they attend nursery and let staff know during drop off.

Our staff will re-apply the sun cream as and when required, as well as ensuring your child stays hydrated, however we do ask that you apply the first layer of sun cream and provide appropriate clothing for the weather, including a sunhat.

We apply Aldi's own sun cream if you have any worries about this, please discuss with a member of staff, as soon as possible.



Dates for the Diary



Summer programme 2nd -30th July

Harry's graduation 16th July

Milngavie centre here until 30th July

Settle calls with new children after 4 weeks- (key workers will plan this with you)

2nd August—new funding year 1140 hours

17th August - Group time Teams 11.30am/3.30pm

27th August— drop in Teams with Kirsty, Erin & Frances (early years teacher) 10.30am

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