



Oakburn EYC

January 2022

Welcome

Welcome to all of our new children and families who have joined us in December January. We are delighted to have your children attend here.

Happy New year

Hello to all of our families, Happy new year to you all, we hope you have had a lovely break and are read for the new year. We are excited to continue our journey with your children and to continue to watch them develop and grow.

Burns Day

We will be celebrating Robbie Burns day on the 25th January.

Please feel free to dress your child in tartan or any Scottish clothing.

We will be exploring Scottish poetry and stories, as well as some Scottish dancing and a range of other Scottish activities.

We will also do a taster snack of Scottish foods.

Health—Allergies & infectious diseases

REMINDER WE ARE A NUT AND EGG FREE CENTRE.

Allergies -

We have recently had a child diagnosed with anaphylaxis food allergies. Due to this we want to remind all parents to please ensure no food products are stored in any children's bags when coming to the centre. We appreciate that some children prefer to have a packed lunch, we ask that you are mindful of what is being put into their lunch boxes. A healthy packed lunch leaflet can be given from the front office if you require a reminder.

Absent Policy

We have an absent policy in place to ensure the safety of your children. Please continue to inform the office at your earliest convenience if your child will not be in attendance.

COVID- 19

Due to current Covid guidance, if your child displays symptoms—new continuous cough, high temperature, loss of taste or smell , your child must not attend and should book a PCR. Staff within the centre will also follow this guidance.

Lending Library

We are delighted to see how much of a success our lending library has been over the last few months and we hope you have been enjoying lots of stories with your child. Could we please remind you to return any books you have before taking another. Thank you!



Lost and found

We have accumulated a large amount of clothing in our lost property basket over previous weeks/months particularly hats, these have no names on them which makes it difficult for staff to return to the correct person. Please ensure you are labelling all of your children's clothing, such as hats, scarves, gloves, wellies, shoes, jackets and puddle suits.



If you are missing any items please look in the lost property basket, alternatively please let a member of staff know.

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Muddy play experiences



The 2-3Room are very keen for some pet fish



We have explore shape



Our gross motor development



Allocations—Deferred Entry

Deferred entry applications for any children deferring entry from school go live on the EDC website on **6th December - 31st January**. We will be sending out an email giving more information regards to who can defer and the process. If any parents have any questions or would like to discuss this with your child's key worker or nursery teacher. If you are deferring your child, you would still have to register your child for school (at their catchment school) as well as a deferred entry application for early years.

Allocation news

Returning 3 & 4 year olds - Any returning 3/4s (who's DOB falls between **March 2018—February 2019**) - do not need to re apply again. Erin will email and ask if there will be any changes to pattern for returning year - if yes, you will fill out an alteration form to change the pattern. If no change to pattern is needed—this will stay the same. Erin will send out more information about this on the email prior - any questions see Erin our Depute Head of Centre.

New 3 & 4 year olds - This includes any child who's DOB falls between **March 2019—July 2019** and any 2 year old who turns 3 between **August 2022 - July 2023** should apply for your 3 year old place. These applications will go live online from January 7th - 28th February 2022 .

Loose Part Donation

We would be very grateful to anybody who can help us to develop our creativity and curiosity. We use 'loose parts' resources to develop our imagination skills. The difference between loose parts and toys are loose parts can be anything we put our mind too, children can take this as wild as they wish and are free to do so. A toy car is a toy car and rarely exceeds passed this.

What we are looking for :- Wheels, tyres, old tapes, DVDs, video players. Bobbins, buttons, shells, stones, tubes. Any bits and bobs.



We are also developing our stem area and would love any old items that we can take apart to explore the mechanics and engineering of the resources.



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New Start

We are delighted to inform you that we have now secured an additional Senior Early years worker. Emma will be coming to us for Hillhead Early years and will start with us on the 31/01/22 and will work alongside our current Senior Early years worker Stephanie.

Transition visits

We are continuing to work on our woodwork transition programme. Our children's are really enjoying our woodwork station and we will continue to develop this and aim to ensure all children have the experience in woodwork.

Our latest visit For Transitions is Oakburn to Clober for children who will be attending this school.

Dates for the Diary

Reminder !!

9th February 2022— In service Day Centre will be CLOSED.

We would like to introduce to you the newly wed Mrs MacLean.

Erin our Depute Head of Centre is getting married on 22nd January 2022 to her partner of 8 years. We wish Erin all the happiness and health in her married life as she embarks on this new journey as a 'WIFE'.

Congratulations Mr & Mrs MacLean.



PLEASE REMEMBER TO GIVE PASSWORDS TO ANYONE COLLECTING YOUR CHILD. IF WE HAVE NOT MET THE COLLECTOR BEFORE EVEN IF IT IS DAD OR MUM WE CANNOT RELEASE YOUR CHILD UNLESS A MEMBER OF STAFF RECOGNISES THEM. THERE IS MORE INFORMATION IN THE HANDBOOK

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JANUARY

25th Burns Day

Focus Child

Within our centre we schedule each child to be a part of a focus child week. This is where the keyworker for your child will observe all they are doing within the week and can determine where they are at in their learning and what their next steps will be. If your child is focus child you will see this appear on their learning journals, we ask that you read through this as this will be followed up with a consultation which your child's keyworker will arrange a time that is convenient for you.

Please note your child's focus week may be next term.

If you have any questions please feel free to ask, we are always happy to help.

