



Oakburn EYC

April/May 2022

Welcome

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

Car Parking

Reminder that the car park is busy during drop off and pick up time.

Please ensure you are parking considerably and not blocking any walk ways or other cars. Please use the street if there is no appropriate space to park.

Parents can park in the 6 available spaces on the right hand side in the layby.

Thank You!

Congratulations!

A huge congratulations to our Senior Early Years worker Stephanie who has been successful in securing an Temporary Acting Depute Head of Centre post at Castlehill EYC. Stephanie has contacted all parents of her keyworker group and the children have selected another group to join whilst Stephanie is away.

We want to wish Stephanie all the best and we will see her again soon.



2022/2023 Allocations and School Placement Requests

Allocations—Reminder to check your emails regarding 3 year old applications for 2022/2023 and for any information regarding outstanding documents.

School Placement Requests—East Dunbartonshire has revealed that parent's will hear from School Placement Requests approx. 28th April. Please contact the centre to update on any changes to school placement for transition purposes.

Covid Update

Following recent Government and EDC covid guidance we are no longer required to wear masks within the centre, however this is still encouraged by the Government in crowded areas or for personal choice.

From the latest guidance we are promoting being **distance aware** and encouraging all staff and parents/carers to be distance aware when around other adults (atleast 1meters distance is encouraged)

From 1 May, most people no longer need to take a coronavirus test and should follow guidance on staying at home if unwell or have symptoms of covid such as continuous cough, high temperature or loss of taste and smell.

Please check—<https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-covid-198> for all of the latest Covid guidance.

Fundraiser

We would like to thank you all for your continued support in fundraising through our Easter Fayre. The Children had great fun making the different items we sold.

We would like to congratulate all our raffle winners.

We raised an amazing £384.29!

We would like to say a massive thank you to some local businesses who donated some wonderful raffle prizes—including Avec Panache, Be Sotted, Mugdock Country Part and Scottish Gantry. As well as all our donations from parents – Thank you!

Keep an eye out for more fundraising events

Session Times

Reminder of nursery session Times: **AM Session 8:00-12:45, PM 1:15-6:00, Full Day 8:00-5:30/ 8:00-5:00/ 8:00-6:00**

If you are unsure of your child's session times please check with the Office.

It is important for all parents/carers to collect your child on time as late collections impact staff ratio at these busy times. If you would like any daily feedback about your child, please allow time for this before collecting at the end of your child's session for staff to be able to give this

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Acorn room has been developing fine motor skills through peeling vegetables



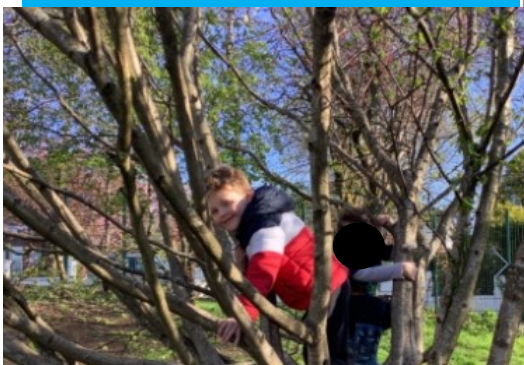
Acorn room have been making smoothies with all the yummy fruit.



Children in the 3-5 room have been baking



Children in the garden have been developing their risky play and gross motor skills



Book and Rhymes of the Month

Acorn Room have chosen:

Book of the month is "Miss Polly had a Dolly"

Rhyme of the Month is "We are going on a bear hunt"

3-5 Room have chosen:

Author of the Month -Jill Murphy

Rhyme of the fortnight -Humpty Dumpty

Exploring the community

Leonie organised a trip for the Acorn Room to the pet shop for the children to select fish as a nursery pet. We looked at all the different types of fish and decided to buy two Gold Fish. Children in the Acorn Room are excited to look after and watch your gold fish grow. Look out for updates on our new pets. Please help us come up with a name for our 2 new pets—speak to staff if your children discuss any name suggestions at home.

IMPORTANT—please ensure you have completed the EV3 permission form to allow your child to participate in these experiences. If you haven't completed one please ask the office for one.



Oakburn turns 1!

Oakburn's first birthday is 17th May. Although the building was officially open on the 10th May—the 17th May was the date that our centre doors opened to the children to start at Oakburn.

To celebrate we are planning on having birthday celebrations throughout the week beginning the 16th May. There will be lots of fun activities throughout the week for all the children to join in to help celebrate our first birthday.



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Personal belongings

All children have been given an individual smart sack, blue for 2-3 room and green for 3-5 room. Therefore are not required to bring any other bags to nursery.

We provide these bags to reduce the amount of items on children's pegs.

We kindly ask that you fill the smart sacks with extra clothes and shoes **clearly labelled with your child's name on them.**

Uniforms

Uniform orders are now ready to be collected. If you have ordered a nursery uniform for your child please collect it from the office.

If you would like to order any uniform items please speak to the nursery office.

Graduation Update

Oakburn's pre-school children who are going to school in August 2022 will have their Graduation on **Wednesday 8th June**.

There will two Graduation ceremonies will take place AM & PM. More information with timings to follow.

There is a maximum of 2 tickets per family for the Graduation Ceremony. If any parents can volunteer to help with graduation preparations please speak to the office.



Sun Safe

We are glad to see the sun is back out! We would like to remind you to provide the following items on a sunny day. **Please ensure all items have your child's name on them.**

- ◇ Sun hat
- ◇ Sunglasses
- ◇ Sun cream



We ask that you apply sun cream to your child before coming to nursery we will then re-apply cream in intervals throughout the day

Toys from home

We recommend that children do not bring toys from home to nursery. This is to prevent any toys getting lost or broken.

If your child requires a comforter from home please ensure that their name is on this.

Dates for the Diary



Nursery Closed—Friday 27th May (May weekend)

W/B 16th May—Oakburn 1st Birthday celebrations



Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd June—**Nursery closed** (Queen's Jubilee)

Wednesday 8th June—Graduation

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 ABOUT OUR SECURITY PRACTICES. WE HAVE THESE STRICT MEASURES TO KEEP YOUR CHILDREN SAFE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION :)