



# Oakburn EYC

November 2022

## Welcome

Welcome to all of our new children and families who have joined us throughout October. We are delighted to have your children attend here. We would also like to introduce you to two new members of the team. Rebecca, will be working full-time and Lynsey, a Wednesday to Friday. Please join us in giving them a huge warm welcome to Oakburn.

## Social Media

We have a broad range of communication lines with parents. Parents are welcome to join our Facebook page "Oakburn EYC" where we share information regarding the nursery and learning experiences the children have participated in.

Our blog is updated every two weeks where we share the learning experiences children have explored. You can find the link to the blog via our nursery Website.

**Reminder—we kindly request that you do not save any picture from Facebook, or your child's Learning Journal and share on any other social**

## Car Parking

## Oakburn's Grizzly Ghoulish Garden Party

A kind reminder that the car park is busy during drop off and pick up times.

**We kindly request that you consider others when parking and refrain from blocking any walk ways or other cars.**

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

Thank You!

We would like to thank everyone who donated prizes for our Tombola and Raffle. We really appreciate your generosity. We were overwhelmed at the turn out we had on the night and would like to thank you all for coming along, dressing up and helping us raise funds for our amazing nursery.

*We would like to thank a few of our local businesses who kindly donated. Honeybee Bakery, Tesco, McDonalds and of course to Mugdock Park for lending us some amazing props and providing lighting. Roll on Halloween 2023!*

**We raised an amazing £ 1050**

Thank you all once again!



## Lunches

We kindly ask that you choose your child's lunch in advance.

We will continue to send the weekly glow form for lunch selection. If you do not choose a lunch for your child a staff member will help your child to choose one.

The QR code will change week to week to match the menu for that week.

**Due to storage we kindly ask that those bringing in a packed lunch have an ice pack in the bag to ensure the food stays cold.**



## Parent Helpers

After our very successful Halloween night, parents have said about helping to create other events. We are looking for some parents to attend our focus group to assist us in planning future events. If you are interested please speak with a member of staff at the Office.

Thank You!



## Appropriate Clothing

Now that Autumn has arrived and the colder weather is approaching, we ask that you provide your child with a hat, scarf and gloves and to wear an appropriate jacket for the wet weather.

**Please remember to write your child's name on all items.**



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Acorn Room have been exploring their senses through Halloween sensory boxes



Acorn Room have been developing their fine motor skills through using scissors



Children in the 3-5 room went to Tesco and found Fairtrade items



Children in the 3-5 room have been exploring playdough developing fine motor skills and sharing resources



## Communication Station

Staff have created a communication area at the main gate, where parents are encouraged to come into the nursery at all drop off and pick up times to sign their child in and out. A staff member will always be available in the area during busier times to support parents/carers. During our busiest time of **12:30-12:45**, we ask parents to wait at this area and a member of staff will support your child to gather their belongings and guide them to you.

## Eco Week

We are beginning to work our way towards gaining our Green Eco Flag for the Nursery. We have created a small Eco committee with children who will be helping Amy (Eco Champion) with tasks to work towards gaining this.

Eco Week is the week beginning Monday 21st November.

Please find below a table of what activities we are doing that week. If you would like to help out or donate resources to promote these experiences please let Amy and SMT know.

Monday 21st November	Health Day
Tuesday 22nd November	Cardboard Box Day (Please bring a cardboard box in)
Wednesday 23rd November	Walk/Cycle Day
Thursday 24th November	Energy Free Day
Friday 25th November	Fairtrade Friday (Can you find any Fairtrade products and bring them in)



## Curricular Evening

Thank you to all parents who attended our Curricular Evening, it was a great success. It was fantastic to see some parents' inner child coming out and trying our slide!

Your feedback and comments about the nursery was lovely to hear.

If you missed the Curricular Evening and would like some information about it, please see any staff member.

Feedback sheet available if you would like to add anything.

## Lending Library

We kindly ask that if you have any books from our Lending Library that you please return them to allow other children to borrow them.

These books are all stickered saying Lending Library.



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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. This means you 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 and clearly label them with your child's name.

## Stay and Play Sessions

We will be beginning starting our Stay and Play sessions the week beginning Monday 14th November.

Sessions will be on the 14th, 16th & 18th November.

Shirleyanne & Erin will share information nearer time

## Treat Fund

At Oakburn we kindly ask that parents contribute to our treat fund, **£2 per week**

The nursery treat fund helps to fund a number of things for the children, including daily healthy snacks, gifts at celebrations, public transport for outings, birthday cards and much more.

If you have any questions please speak to the Office.

**We no longer accept paper notes.**

## Uniforms

Uniform orders will be placed at the end of each month.

Please ask the office for an order form. We kindly ask that completed forms and money are handed in to a member of staff in the office.

## Nursery Session Times/Alterations

As our new term begins, there may have been some changes to your child's sessions. Please find below a reminder of the nursery session times:  
**AM 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 their child on time as late collections impact staff ratio at 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.

Reminder: Any alterations to your child's sessions can only be submitted **ONCE per term** and 4 weeks notice should be given for this change. There are 3 terms in a year running from August-December, January—March, April—July. Please speak to the office regarding any changes and availability. Alteration forms can be found on the EDC website.

## Toys from home

We recommend that children **do not** bring toys from home to nursery. This is to prevent any toys becoming lost or broken. If your child requires a comforter from home please ensure that their name is on this.

## Dates for the Diary



**Remembrance Day**—Friday 11th November

**Nursery Rhyme Week and Stay and Play week**—w/b 14th November

**Odd Socks Day**— Monday 14th November

**Children in Need**—Friday 18th November

**St Andrews Day**— Wednesday 30th November



**Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Concert**—Friday 9th December

**Christmas Fayre**—Wednesday 14th December (updated date)

**Christmas Party**—Wednesday 21st December

**Last Day before Christmas Holidays**—Friday 23rd December

**Return to Nursery**—Wednesday 4th January 2023

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO GIVE PASSWORDS TO ANYONE COLLECTING YOUR CHILD. IF WE HAVE NOT MET THE INDIVIDUAL 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 :)**