



# Oakburn EYC

## October/November 2023

### Welcome

Welcome to all of our new children and families who have joined us. We are delighted to have your children attend Oakburn EYC.

### 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 adjacent streets if there is no appropriate space to park.

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

**To ensure the safety of our children when leaving the building please ensure your car is parked safely and securely with handbrake applied before exiting your car.**

Thank You!

### Congratulations

We would like to congratulate Elaine C on securing a Acting Senior Early Years Worker at Auchinairn EYC.

Elaine will be finishing up on Friday 3rd November.

With support from our seniors Rachel our Modern Apprentice will take care of Elaine's Chestnut Group. Any questions please speak to Emma or Jocelyn.



### Dates for the Diary

#### November:

Nursery Rhyme Week—Week beginning 13th November  
Children in Need Day: Wear your pyjamas to nursery- Friday 17th November  
St Andrews Day - Thursday 30th November

#### December:

Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Concert - Friday 8th December—  
(Concert—10:30am)  
Christmas Fayre - Tuesday 12th December (10:30-11:30 & 3:30-4:30)  
Christmas Party - Wednesday 20th December  
Nursery Closed - 25th December to 2nd January  
Nursery Reopens - Wednesday 3rd January



### 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, wellies and to wear an appropriate jacket for the wet weather.

We kindly ask that you please provide extra socks and clothes as children are out in all weathers.



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

### Bon Voyage

On Thursday 30th November our amazing clerical assistant, Lyndsay is taking a career break, where she will be travelling and working in Australia.

We will all miss her greatly.

I am sure you will join us in wishing her a safe journey on her travels.



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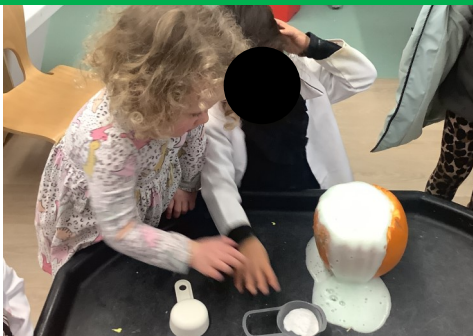
## Autumn Activities at Milngavie Manor Care Home



In the Acorn Room they have had experiences linking to Fire Awareness Week



Sophie was creating pumpkin volcanos with the children in our STEM area



Children in the 3-5 room were learning about the importance of washing your hands and how to wash them effectively.



## Personal Belongings

We kindly ask 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.

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.

## Halloween Fayre

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. It was great to see new and old children of Oakburn attending.

We would like to thank a few of our local businesses who kindly donated. McDonalds, Ruby Red, Marks & Spencer's, Scottish Gantry, VIP and Mugdock Country Park for lending us some amazing props and providing lighting.

The Raffle prizes were drawn on Friday and all prizes have been collected! There were 116 sweets were in the jar and the winning guess was 117. Well done to all our winners.

**We raised an amazing £2050.30**

Thank you all once again!



## Important Dates

**Graduation—Friday 14th June  
10:30am**

All children graduating will attend. Further information will be shared nearer the time.

**Sports Day—Monday 24th  
June 10-11 & 11-12.**

Further information to follow nearer the time.

## Rave-a-thon

We would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who came along to our rave-a-thon. We all had a great time raising money for our Halloween Night.

We raised £220!

The money raised went towards the preparation for our Halloween Night.

Thank you again for your continued support.



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## Pre School Information

### School Registration – Open 1<sup>st</sup> November to 30<sup>th</sup> -November

Just a quick reminder that the school registration for August 2024 intake is now open. Please click on link for further information on how to apply.

<https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/residents/schools-and-learning/primary-school-registration#>

### Placing Request

PLEASE NOTE THE PLACING REQUEST APPLICATIONS FOR AUGUST 2024 DO NOT OPEN UNTIL JANUARY 2024 AS NORMAL. If you live out with the catchment area for the school you would like your child to attend, **you must first register your child at their catchment school from 1<sup>st</sup> November and then submit a placing request for an alternative school in January** (opening date of placing request

## Deferred Entry

All Parents and carers have the legal right to defer their child's entry to primary school if their child is not yet 5 at the beginning of the start of term in August.

If your child 5th birthday falls between the first day of the school term in August and the last day of the following February, your child would normally start school in the August before they turn 5. however, the change to The Scottish Government legislation in 2023 means that you have the option to defer your child; s entry and access a further funded year of Early Learning and Childcare.

Applications where children who have their fifth birthday between 1st March and the day before the first day of term in August must start school. These applications will only be considered where supporting information from Early Years Centres, Educational Phycologists and any other Team around the Child professionals are submitted, these applications will be considered at a special Early Years Community Assessment Group (EYCAT) before any decision is made.

**If you wish to defer your child, you must first register your child at their catchment school and then apply for deferred entry.** The application for deferred entry will go live on the East Dunbartonshire website in Mid-November (link and opening date of these applications will be emailed at a later date once confirmed)

Please do not hesitate to speak to the office if you require any further information.

