



# Oakburn EYC

September 2024

## Welcome

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

## Lunches

A reminder to all parents that the Lunch Glow form is emailed out at the beginning of the week for the following week for you to select a choice with your child. If possible please have the form returned by the Friday.

If you are having any problems with the form please let the office know.

## Parent Meetings

### Settle Meetings

For any new children starting throughout the centre we arrange settle meetings with the parent approx. 6 weeks after starting. This is a general chat regarding the progress of a new nursery.

### Focus Child

Throughout the academic year staff within the 3-5 Room will carry out Focus Child observations on their keyworker children. You will be informed of the week these will take place for your children.

This is an opportunity for keyworkers to work closely with their key children to identify their next steps in learning.

Once completed Keyworkers will arrange a parent meeting to discuss this in person and update any important information about your child.

At Oakburn we use this method for parent meetings to be scheduled throughout the year instead of formal Parents Evening once a year.

## Gate Security

**The safety of our children is paramount.** Please ensure you close both gates securely behind you when entering and leaving the premises.

Please alert a staff member in the office of your presence before entering the building via **the intercom or coming to the window**. This is for security and to ensure a staff member is there to greet you at the gate on arrival.

## Car Park Safety

Our car park is busy with pedestrians and children **at all times of the day** and we cannot stress enough the importance of driving carefully. All parents/carers using the carpark **must slow down appropriately** before entering, in addition to driving at **5MPH** throughout the entire time you are within the carpark. We also ask that you remain vigilant at all times within the car park, as many children are using bikes, scooters, etc and could suddenly appear on the road unexpectedly.

Ensuring the safety of all children and families while using the car park is our priority and we thank you for your ongoing cooperation with this.

Can we also take this opportunity to remind everyone that the disabled car parking spaces are reserved for **blue badge holders only**. All other parents/carers must use the allocated spaces on the right-hand side of the car park.

## Maths Week

Maths week was the week beginning 23rd September. Our children were learning about different aspects of Maths. We celebrated Maths Week last week at Oakburn. The theme was Maths Tales and we had a focus on pattern, shape, money and data handling. We took part in a range of activities in each area around the nursery



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**Acorn Room made soup with the potatoes they grew in the garden**



**Acorn Room have been exploring their senses through experiences**



**3-5 room have been learning about the different sea life animals**



**3-5 Room have been developing their skills through making a variety of delicious foods in the baking area**



## Allergen Reminder

Just a little reminder that we are a **NUT FREE CENTRE**, no products containing nuts allowed.

Other severe allergies that we kindly ask to be considered and **not** be brought into the centre are:

### Lentils and eggs.

Please check ingredients of products when choosing items for you child's packed lunches as we may have to remove them. A note will be placed in their box to explain why this has happened. These items will be returned to parent at home time to ensure we keep all children safe and healthy.

We follow our Healthy Packed Lunch policy and ask that all children's packed lunches contain healthy nutritious foods.

*Leaflets available if you require more information*

## Grandparents Day & MacMillan Coffee Morning

We would like to Thank everyone who made it along to our Grandparents Day. Our children loved having the opportunity to show their Grandparents their favourite activities to do here at Oakburn.

Another successful MacMillan Coffee Morning here at Oakburn. We would like to thank everyone for the donations of cakes and treats to allow us to have such a successful morning. We raised an amazing £

Thank you again for your continued support in all our events. We welcome any feedback on any event, please speak to the office.





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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.**

We kindly ask that children refrain from bringing in any toys to nursery to prevent them getting lost or broken.

## Halloween Fayre

Our Annual Halloween Fayre is Wednesday 30th October.

Doors open 6:15-8pm

**Tickets are now on sale at the office—£3 for adult and £5 for child** These include a hot drink and marshmallow and a scavenger hunt for the children

We look forward to seeing you all and see all the amazing Halloween costumes



## Yearly Events Calendar 2024-2025

### October:

Wednesday 9th—Curricular Evening

Friday 11th—Nursery Closed (In-service Day)

Wednesday 30th—Halloween Fayre

### November:

Friday 15th—Children in Need

### December:

Friday 13th—Christmas Concert & Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 18th—Christmas Party

Wednesday 25th—Thursday 2nd Jan—Nursery Closed (Christmas Holiday)

### January:

Friday 3rd—Nursery reopen

Wednesday 29th—Chinese New Year

Tuesday 25th—Fairtrade fortnight

### February :

Week Beginning 3rd Feb—Stay & Play

Wednesday 19th—Nursery Closed (In-service Day)

### March:

Tuesday 3rd—Pancake day

Thursday 5th—World Book Day

Friday 14th—Red Nose Day

### April:

Friday 18th & Monday 21st—Nursery Closed (Easter weekend)

### May:

Monday 5th—Nursery Closed (May Day)

Tuesday 6th—Nursery Closed (In-service day)

Friday 23rd & Monday 26th—Nursery Closed (May Weekend)

### June:

Friday 13th—Graduation

Saturday 21st—Summer Fayre

### July:

Monday 14th—Nursery closed (Bank holiday)

Thursday 31st—Pre Schoolers last day



## Book Bug Sessions

Thank you to those who could make it along to our Bookbug Sessions during September.

Feedback from these sessions is that you would like these more often. We are in the process of arranging these fortnightly and the dates for the next Bookbug sessions will be placed in the parent noticeboard next to the gate.



**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 :)**