

## Oakburn EYC

July/August 2024

## Welcome

Welcome to all of our new children and families who have joined us throughout July & August. 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.

### Summer Fun



#### **Chilled Vibes Week**

The children loved having the variety of experiences on offer during this week.

Pyjama & Movie Day, Spa day, Ice Cream Day

#### Community Week

The children loved visiting the different parts of our local community. They visited the park, went for a picnic, went to the train station



#### **Outdoor Week**

Oakburn Garden was the place to be. The children were building dens, had a mudslide and had a Teddy Bears Picnic.



#### **Movement Week**

Our children took part in various experiences to develop their gross motor skills. They brought in their bike or scooter, participated in an obstacle course, football day and a

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Acorn room have been loving role playing tea parties in the home corner



2-3 Room have been listening to The Gruffalo and have been making Gruffalo crumble



We moved our construction area to give our children more space to be creative in their creations



Our children have been busy in the kitchen using our fruits to make healthy pies



## 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

## Annual Data Check & EV3 Form

We kindly ask that you return your annual data check and EV3 form for the academic year as soon as possible.

EV3 Forms allow us to take your child on excursions in our local community.

If you have not received either your annual data check or EV3

Form this term please ask at the office.

## Keyworker Groups

There has been some changes to staffing in the 2-3 and 3-5 Room for the new term. We think it is important for children to have consistency within their Nursery experience so we have tried to keep majority of the groups together and have moved the children with them to their new group.

Keyworkers will speak to the parents of children who any of these changes effect.

#### 2-3 Room

Helicopter Keyworkers—Emma (Senior), Shirleyanne (M,T, W AM) & Elaine C (W,Th,F), Pinecone Keyworker—Leonie, Conkers Keyworker—Eilidh, Berries Keyworker—Pamela.

#### 3-5 Room

Beech Keyworkers—Rong (AM) and Mairi (PM), Blossom Keyworker -Kirsty, Yew Keyworker—Sophie, Sycamore Keyworkers—Sarah (AM) & Gail (PM), Willow Keyworkers—Molly (AM), Erin G (M-W) & Elaine J(Th, F) Pine Keyworkers—Scott & Natalie, Cherry Keyworkers—Amy & Mel, Chestnut Keyworkers - Siobhan B (AM) & Rachel P, Elm Keyworkers Rachel S (AM—covering Alice Mat leave)& Siobhan F (PM) and Holly Keyworkers—Jocelyn (senior) & Michael.

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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.

## Welcome to the Team

We would like to welcome Chelsay to our Oakburn Team.

Chelsay is our new Early Years
Support Worker. She will be
supporting our children and staff
throughout the day.

Chelsay will be working Monday-Friday 9-3.



## Yearly Events Calendar 2024-2025

#### September:

Thursday 26th—Grandparents day & MacMillan Coffee Morning

Friday 27th & Monday 30th—Nursery closed (September Weekend)

#### 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

#### <u> April:</u>

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)

#### <u>June:</u>

Friday 13th—Graduation

Saturday 21st—Summer Fayre

#### July:

Monday 14th—Nursery closed (Bank holiday)

Thursday 31st—Pre Schoolers last day

## Oakburn Reunion for Pre Schoolers

We are missing all our Pre-schoolers who have taken the big step into Primary 1. We know that some of you have came down to see us again in your uniform to share all about your first days at school.

We would like to invite you all back for an Oakburn Reunion on Monday 16th & Friday 20th September 3:30pm—4:30pm to hear all about your school experience & meet up with friends from Oakburn EYC.

We can wait to see you all again and hear all about your P.1 adventure so far.

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:)