

Douglas Primary School & ELC

NEWSLETTER 5 - Feb/March 2025

ELC NEWS



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PARENT CONSULTATIONS



We will be offering you the opportunity to meet with your child's keyworker to discuss the progress your child is making within the ELC. Meetings will take place over the next few weeks. Nicola will arrange a suitable date and time with you during drop-off or pick-up this week.

If you are unable to make a meeting please let Nicola know and we can arrange a phone consultation for you if required.

FUNDRAISING

Thank you to everyone who has participated in the Football Card fundraising challenge. We have collected £180 so far. The money raised will go towards resources in the ELC.

For Easter we will have a 'Guess the Bunny's Birthday' and 'How Many Eggs in the Jar' at £1 a guess.



NHS GUIDELINES

Please find below a reminder about the NHS guidelines in relation to your child attending school/nursery is they are feeling unwell or have been unwell.

Please note in particular that Children with diarrhoea or vomiting should stay away from nursery until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).

[NHS GUIDELINES](#)

TOYS

Can we please ask that children do not bring in their own toys from home to the ELC. Unfortunately toys can get lost or broken which can cause great upset to the children.

As you know we have a wide variety of resources within the ELC for the children to play with.

BIRD HIDE & BUG HOTEL AREA

We are delighted to announce that the creation of our Bird Hide and Bug Hotel area has now been completed. This is the third phase in our Outdoor Learning Project.

Plans are now in place to create an Orchard and provide a safe access route down to the river.

We are planning to have an open event in the Spring for all parent/carers to see the projects we have completed.

PARENT COUNCIL— UPDATE

School Valentine's Disco

The Parent Council raised just over £250 from the school Valentine disco event. This money will go towards the purchase of Easter treats for all the children within the school and ELC.

New Members

The Parent Council are always looking for new members and volunteers to help them support the smooth running of the school & ELC as well as to help raise funds for the children. If you would be interested in joining the Parent Council or raising any matters for meetings then please email

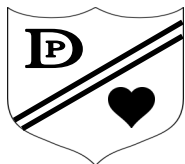
Douglas.Parent.Council@gmail.com

Meeting Information

The minutes of the Parent Council Meetings will now be published on the school website for everyone to access.

Please see the section named 'Parent Council' for access to the minutes and updates on the work of the group.





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BOOKBUG SESSIONS

We are delighted to announce that Miss Brown has completed her Bookbug Training and is now an official Bookbug Leader.

She will be working with all children in the ELC to deliver sessions but we would also like to open the session for Parents/Carers to join or for younger siblings to join.

If you would be interested in attending Bookbug Sessions can you please complete the link below to state what days and times suit you best. Sessions will then be planned around demand.

[BookBug Sessions Link](#)



MAKING RIGHTS REAL

As part of our Improvement Planning for this session we have been focusing on 'Making Rights Real' for our ELC learners.

This is linked to the recent legislation that the UNCRC has been incorporated into Scot's Law.

For further information on the UNCRC see the display board within the ELC.

WOODLAND SESSIONS

All of the children have been participating in outdoor woodland sessions this term.

Outdoor learning is essential for pre-5 children as it promotes physical, cognitive, and emotional development. Nature provides a rich environment for exploration, encouraging curiosity and problem-solving skills.

After the Spring Break we would like to open up these sessions for parents/carers to join in with. We will share further information regarding dates and times within our next newsletter but be sure to get your wellies looked out.



READING SCHOOLS AWARD

Our Library Leadership Committee are currently working towards the 'Gold—Reading Schools Award'.

They have placed Book Baskets at the main entrance of the school and ELC for children and adults to help themselves to.

The book are free and for you to take home to enjoy reading for pleasure.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

A reminder of dates in the diary - dates in **red** are new ones that will not be on the Term 2 calendar, please add these to your paper copy of the calendar.

Week Beginning 17.3.25 & 24.3.25

Parent Consultations

Wednesday 26th March
Stay & Play Session

Friday 4th April
Parent Council Easter Fun Day
Finish at 2.30pm for Spring Break

Friday 4th April—Tuesday
22nd April
Spring Break Holiday

WELLBEING INDICATOR

Our Wellbeing Indicator of the Month for March is:
RESPONSIBLE



GROWTH MINDSET MOTO

Mistakes are Opportunities for Learning

