

# Douglas Primary School & ELC

## NEWSLETTER 5- Jan 2026

# SCHOOL NEWS



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### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our after school clubs have continued to be very popular last term with children from P1-7 engaging in a range of new skills and experiences.

Our P6/7 pupils have also been running some additional playtime and lunchtime clubs. This has been well received by our younger pupils and demonstrates the excellent leadership qualities of our P6/7 class.

Block 2 of our extra-curricular clubs will commence on the week beginning the 2nd February and run for 6 weeks (this will exclude the February holiday weekend).

We are currently waiting on confirmation of coaches but we are hopeful that we can have the club list out to you for next week.

If anyone would be interested in running a club or supporting a club that is already established then please contact Mrs Hughes or the school office.



### BREAKFAST CLUB

A little reminder that our School Breakfast Club runs every morning from 8.15 until 8.45am. All school children are welcome to attend and can have toast, cereal and water.



### PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT

In an effort to continue our Parental Engagement we have organised for each class to have a classroom assembly or visit this term for parents/carers to attend.

We hope that these assemblies and visits will give you a greater insight into the learning and teaching that takes place in your child's classroom. It will also give your child the opportunity to showcase their learning.

Please see the dates below for the classroom assemblies/visits:

P1/2 Friday 27th March 9.30am

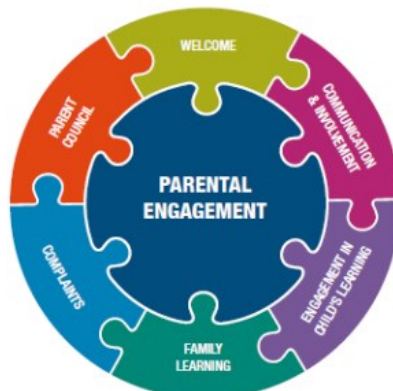
P2/3 Friday 20th March 9.30am

P4/5 Friday 6th March 9.30am

P5/6 Friday 27th Feb 9.30am

P6/7 Thursday 26th Feb (Class Visit) 1.30pm

If you are unable to make your child's classroom assembly or visit then please feel free to send a member of your family or a friend.



### BURN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

We will be holding our annual school Burn's Celebration on Friday 30th January.

You are welcome to join us for the celebration in the hall at 1.30pm on the Friday.

The celebration will consist of 3 finalist from each class reciting their Scot's poem to a panel of judges (*finalists will be chosen next week and parent/carers will be informed*). There will also be some traditional and modern Scot's songs being performed by the classes.

Please note that space will be limited as all children from the school will be seated within the hall too.

### PARENT COUNCIL VALENTINES DISCO

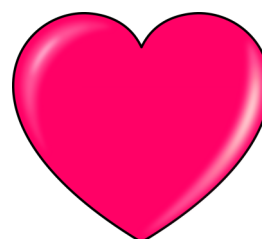
The Parent Council will be hosting a Valentine's Disco on Thursday 12th February in the evening.

P1-4  
6pm - 7pm

P5-7  
7.15pm - 8.30pm

Entry will cost £2. This year we will not be pre-selling tickets your child can just pay on the night at the door.

There will be a tuck shop available on the night.





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### NURSERY ENROLMENT

**We are now taking applications for our ELC Class for session 2026/2027**

If you have a child who will turn 2 – 5 years between 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026 and the end of February 2027 you can register them now for a place at Douglas Primary ELC/Nursery.

Please note that free 2 year old places are linked to a set criteria, if you do not qualify for free provision then you will be required to pay for your child's sessions should they be allocated a space.

We would ask you to contact the school office either by email – [gw14douglaspsoffice@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw14douglaspsoffice@glow.sch.uk) or by telephone **01555 851224** to arrange a suitable date and time for you to come in to complete the application.

You will need to bring your child's **FULL BIRTH CERTIFICATE** (abbreviated ones are no longer acceptable) as well as two pieces of recent official documentation both showing your permanent home address to clarify proof of residency when you come to complete the application form.

Examples of acceptable documents for proof of residency are listed below:

**Utility Bill  
Council Tax Statement  
Housing Rent Card  
Child Benefit Document**

**PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO BE ON OUR SYSTEM IS THURSDAY 26th FEBRUARY 2026.**

You will be informed by the end of May if your application has been successful.

### ATTENDANCE CONCERNS

As mentioned in previous newsletters attendance is an area of concern for some children in the school. Attendance letters for the month of December will be issued shortly. If you receive a letter in relation to your child's attendance then please ensure that you read over it carefully and contact the school at your earliest convenience so that we can work in partnership to support an increase in your child's attendance rate.



### BOOKBUG SESSIONS

Miss Brown will be recommencing our Bookbug session on Tuesday 20th January at 2pm.

Anyone with a child in nursery or younger is welcome to come along to join in with the sessions.

Bookbug's benefits include boosting children's language, literacy, and social skills through shared stories, songs, and rhymes, while strengthening parent-child bonds and promoting family wellbeing.

### SUPPORTING FAMILIES

Our Supporting Families worker Joan will be holding a coffee morning every Thursday until the 19th February in our Living Library from 8.45am until 10.15am.

Please feel free to come along for a coffee, cake and a chat.



### DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please find a link below to a calendar for all the term 2 holidays and events that we have planned so far. There may be additional dates such as trips that will be added as the term progresses.

[Calendar Link](#)

We aim to send out a calendar at the start of each term in order to give you as much notice as possible of events that will be taking place.

A paper copy will also be issued so that you have it to reference easily at home. Please take a moment to highlight the dates that are relevant to you and your child's class.

All dates for this session will also be added to the school app. Please ensure that you have the app downloaded and notifications on so that you will receive updates.

### WELLBEING INDICATOR

Our Wellbeing Indicator of the Month for January is:  
**ACTIVE**



### GROWTH MINDSET MOTO

Feedback is a Gift, Accept it!

