

# Douglas Primary School & ELC

## NEWSLETTER 4- Jan 2026

# ELC NEWS



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### 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.



### WELLBEING WEDNESDAYS

Our 3-5 year olds have been participating in a new initiative last session called 'Wellbeing Wednesday'.

This initiative is being lead by Glenda and promotes the importance of health and wellbeing.

The children have experienced yoga, meditation and a range of other activities designed to support positive health and wellbeing.

Our Stay & Play session on Wednesday 25th March will be focused on these sessions and allow you to join in to witness the positive impact it is having on the children.

Wellbeing

### PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT

In an effort to continue our Parental Engagement we have organised for further Stay and Play sessions for this term.

We hope that these sessions will give you a greater insight into the learning that takes place in the ELC. It will also give your child the opportunity to showcase their learning.

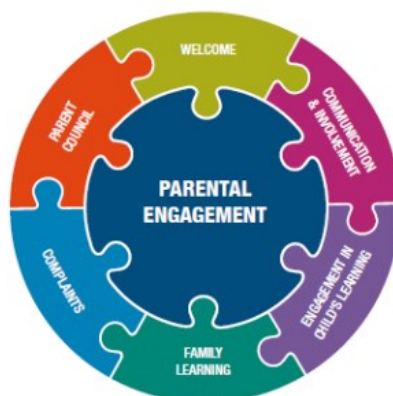
Please see the dates below for the sessions this term:

Tuesday 20th January -  
1.45pm

Monday 23rd February -  
1.45pm

Wednesday 25th March -  
9.15am

If you are unable to make any sessions then please feel free to send a member of your family or a friend. If this is not possible and you are concerned about your child becoming upset then please speak to Nicola and alternative plans can be made.



### 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 in school reciting their Scot's poem to a panel of judges. There will also be some traditional and modern Scot's songs being performed by the classes.

Our ELC children will be joining the celebration at 1.30pm with a melody of Scot's songs and then they will return to the playroom. However, parents/carers are still very welcome to attend the full event if you wish to do so.

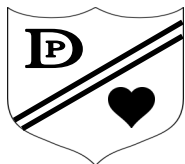
### SUSTAINABILITY

Rachel and Nicky have been working hard on a Sustainability topic for this session. They will be focusing on Life on Land and Responsible Consumption & Production.

Our Zone 2 outdoor is currently undergoing a renovation to project to provide a space for the children to plant a range of vegetables and to learn about composting.

Watch this space for further updates!





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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.

### 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.

Please feel free to share the information of the sessions with anyone in the community who has a young child but does not attend the ELC.

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



# Bookbug

### 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**

