



Lanark Primary ELC Newsletter

December 2022



What a busy month December has been for us! Our early learners were all stars and their confidence and talent shone through as they performed their dress rehearsal for P1-3 and any siblings, then performed for their families the following day. They looked fantastic and their singing was amazing! Thank you to all families for coming along and to our wonderful Staff Team for all their hard work in preparing them for a fabulous show!



As always, if you have any concerns or issues, please speak to your child's keyworker at drop-off or pick-up time, or call or email (through our dedicated address lanarkelc@glow.sch.uk) to speak with Mrs Lyons (Team Leader). You can also contact the school office through our communication app, many thanks.

Have a wonderful Christmas break with your family and thank you for your ongoing support to the Staff Team! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



The Staff Team



Staffing News

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Louise McKay to our fabulous Staff Team! She is Mrs Logan's 'Fixed Term' cover and all recruitment and reference checks have now been completed. We are hoping to keep hold of Miss Jamieson until 23rd December and would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all her hard work and for becoming part of the ELC Team so quickly and wish her all the best!



Enrolment for New P1 Class

Please note that the enrolment for the new intake of P1 children takes place week beginning 16th January 2023, for children who are 5 years of age between 1st March 2023 and end of February 2024.

If you have any wee ones ready to start school in August, or know of anyone in the locality who does, please take note of the date. The enrolment system will be an online process once again and a link will follow from SLC shortly.

Parents and carers can enrol from week beginning 9th January 2023 and will be contacted by schools to confirm receipt during Enrolment Week beginning on 16th January.



LPS Christmas 'Foodraiser' Appeal

Well done to all our learners in Room 4 for collecting an amazing amount of items for this year's Christmas 'Foodraiser' Appeal. Many thanks to all those who donated, alongside Mrs Callan and Miss MacLeod for helping to coordinate the collection.

The children will now organise the donations into complete 'Christmas Day Hampers'. Look out for information coming soon in our Communication App on how you can benefit from the collection!

December Birthdays

Happy Birthday this month to:

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Wellbeing Indicator of the Month - NURTURED

Every month we will introduce/reinforce one of the areas which helps our children explore their wellbeing and how this can be improved or supported. This month's focus is on NURTURED. This includes having a nurturing place to live in a family setting, with additional help if needed, or, where possible, in a suitable care setting.



Resources Needed

After the Christmas break, we will be starting Woodwork Sessions with our early learners. We are looking for plastic bottle tops and wine corks, so please keep hold of any during the festive period, many thanks.

New Applications for ELC

Early Years are accepting new applications for ELC establishments across South Lanarkshire. If your child is 3 years of age between 1st March 2023 and end of February 2024, they are entitled to a fully funded place. Forms can be completed online on SLC's website. The closing date for all ELC new applications is **end of February 2023** for a start date from August 2023.

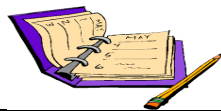


Christmas Virtual Show/Panto

Our early learners will enjoy an online virtual show in the playroom on Tuesday 20th December, funded by the Parent Council. We have purchased a spectacular show 'The McDougall's Christmas Concert' which is packed with songs, audience participation and even has a guest appearance from Santa Claus himself! Can we ask that the children come dressed to the ELC wearing their Christmas jumper for this performance and they will also enjoy a special treat during it.



Diary Dates



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| Tuesday 13 th December | Christmas Concert at 2pm |
| Wednesday 14 th December | Christmas Lunch |
| Tuesday 20 th December | ELC Online Panto (Children should wear their Christmas jumper) |
| Thursday 22 nd December | ELC Party (Children should come dressed for the party) |
| Friday 23 rd December | Christmas Jumper Day |
| | School & ELC close at 2.30pm |
| Monday 9 th January 2023 | School & ELC re-open |
| Tuesday 10 th January (possible closure) | Possible Industrial Action for Teachers |

