



Lanark Primary ELC Newsletter

May 2019



We hope you all had a lovely, relaxing break with your family and are looking forward to the busy term ahead. We would like to offer a warm welcome to the children and families who joined us in March, the children are settling in very well to our playroom routines and meeting lots of new friends.

We have been very busy in the playroom learning about Spring and Easter. The children have enjoyed Forest Kindergarten developing their cooking skills outdoors by making pancakes and having great fun on the waterslide- we had lots of very muddy children indeed!

As always, if you have any concerns or issues, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's key worker or any member of our team.

The Staff Team



Celebrating Success

The ELC will open its doors at **11am and 2pm on Friday 24th May** to allow you to visit our playroom and join your child at play. We do hope you can make it!



ELC Graduations

The ELC graduations will take place at **10.30am and 2pm on Thursday 27th June** and all parents/carers are welcome to attend.



ELC Transition to P1

This term sees transition work taking place in readiness for our pre-schoolers moving on to P1. There will be a number of visits for the children and a chance for parents to meet some of our teachers. The visits take place in May and June and parents/carers should have already received their transition letters with additional information included. Please contact the school if you haven't received the letter. The dates are as follow:

13th May 9.30-10.30am and 1.15-2.15pm
22nd May 9.30-10.30am and 1.15-2.15pm
4th June 9.30-10.30am and 1.15-2.15pm

There will also be an opportunity for parents/carers to enjoy a lunch with the pupils on **Thursday 13th June** after a short information session at **11am**.

Vote for Lanark Primary in Tesco Stores

Lanark Primary Parent Council are delighted to announce that we have been shortlisted for a Tesco Bags of Help Award to support a new Forest School Programme called 'Learning Together, Growing Together'. You will be able to vote for Lanark Primary in Lanark Tesco during May and June.

'Learning Together, Growing Together' will work with pupils who have been identified as needing support to develop confidence, self-esteem and outdoor skills.



Here's what happens next. . .

This project along with two other successful projects will go forward to a vote in Tesco stores where customers can vote for their favourite project each time they shop. Voting will take place from Wednesday 1st May to Sunday 30th June 2019. The project with the highest number of votes will receive £4000, the second placed project £2000 and the third placed project £1000. The more funding we get, the more children we can support, so we've costed the project to £4000. We need as many people as possible to vote for Lanark Primary so get your tokens ready and please share this post with as many people as you can.

April and May Birthdays

Happy Birthday to:

April- Morgan McKechnie, Sophia Newbigging, Angus Ritchie, Kaida Wigston, Ben Aberdein and Leigha Christie

May- Matthew Gray, Rory Tough and Grace Hadden



Additional In-Service Day

The ELC and school will be closed to pupils on Thursday 23rd May due to the European Elections, as we will be used as a Polling Station.



Wellbeing Indicator of the Month- Included

Every month we 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 being INCLUDED. This means having help to overcome social, emotional, educational, physical and economic inequalities, and being accepted as part of the community.

ELC Chit Chat Group

Our next meeting will take place on Tuesday 28th May at 11.15am or 3.30pm, depending on which session your child attends. Please join us if you can!

Support in Times of Hardship

As you may already know, the Parent Council support the school in many ways. One of those ways is to provide a small discretionary fund which can be used to support the purchase of clothing, cost of trips or to help provide snacks in times of financial difficulty.

Please contact Mrs Crook at the school if you would like to know more. As always, this would be in the strictest confidence.

St. Andrew's Wear Yellow Day

We will be taking part in the annual 'wear yellow' day to raise funds for one of our partners, St. Andrews Hospice. This will take place on **Wednesday 5th June 2019**.

Lending Library

Thank you to all the support of our parent/carer helpers who have volunteered to help run our lending library, we very much appreciate this! If you can spare some time on a Friday to help us out, please add your name to the list in the foyer. Please encourage your child to 'read' their chosen book at home and return it in their library bag for the following week. All bags should be put in the box at the bottom of the parents' signing in unit. An evaluation form should be completed for each book your child has home.

Diary Dates

Bookbug Open Sessions	Every Thursday at 11:15am and 3:30pm
HOLIDAY	Monday 6 th May
In-Service Day (No pupils should attend)	Tuesday 7 th May
Parent Council AGM	Monday 13 th May at 6:15pm
ELC Transition to P1- Visit 1	Monday 13 th May at 9.30am or 1.15pm
National Numeracy Day	Thursday 16 th May
ELC Transition to P1- Visit 2	Wednesday 22 nd May 9.30am or 1.15pm
Additional In-Service Day (No pupils should attend)	Thursday 23 rd May
Celebrating Success (All welcome)	Friday 24 th May at 11am and 2pm
Sports Week	Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May
ELC Chit Chat Group	Tuesday 28 th May at 11.15am/3.30pm
ELC Sports Day	Thursday 30 th May at 9.15am and 1.15pm
ELC Transition to P1- Visit 3	Tuesday 4 th June at 9.30am or 1.15pm
Wear Yellow Day	Wednesday 5 th June
Lanimer Holiday (school closed)	Thursday 6 th June and Friday 7 th June
ELC Transition Lunch for New P1s	Thursday 13 th June at 11am
Rag Bag Collection	Tuesday 18 th June
ELC Graduation	Thursday 27 th June at 10.30am and 2pm
School Closes for Summer	Friday 28 th June at 1pm

