

Lanark Primary ELC Newsletter

<u>August 2018</u>

We hope you all enjoyed a lovely, relaxing summer break! We would like to offer a warm welcome to all of the new children and families that have joined us at Lanark ELC, and look forward to welcoming more 'new starts' over the course of this week and next. We also wish to welcome back last session's returning children and their families, and look forward to the exciting year ahead and working in partnership with all parents and carers.

As always, if you have any concerns or issues, please do not hesitate to speak to any member of our team.

The Staff Team





ELC Staffing

Our Staff Team consists of:

Head Teacher - Mrs Crook Depute Head Teacher - Miss Elkin ELC Teacher - Miss Raeside ELC Team Leader - Mrs Lyons Early Years Practitioners/Key Worker: Miss Graham Mrs Anis (AM) Mrs MacKenzie (PM)

We work together as a team in order to provide a high quality early learning experience for your child, helping them to achieve their full potential.

ELC Session Times

Our AM session begins at 8:45am and finishes at 11:55am. Our PM session begins at 1pm and finishes at 4:10pm. At the end of each session, we will open the door ten minutes early at 11:45am and 4:00pm. Should you need to collect your child earlier than this time, please inform a member of staff at drop off time. Due to our ELC routine, the green button cannot be used to open the main door. A member of staff will operate the door and we ask that parents/carers do not try to use this.

On entering/leaving the ELC, please sign your child in/out. We encourage you to come in to the playroom with your child as they sign themselves in, then at home time to pick them up. This will give you the opportunity to speak with a member of staff should you need to.

Thank you for your continued support.

Thank You

<u>Bookbug</u>

Bookbug is Scottish Book Trust's Early Years programme, encouraging parents and children to share stories, songs and rhymes from birth. We are delighted to inform you that Mrs Lyons will be leading our Bookbug sessions in the playroom every Thursday (commencing 6th September) at 11:15am and 3:30pm. These are very powerful sessions and we would love for you to come along and join your child in these open sessions any Thursday that you are free. Please use the link below for a report on the impact of the Bookbug bag and sessions in Scotland:

www.scottishbooktrust.com/bookbug/working-with-bookbug/bookbugoutreach/bookbugsimpact

July/August Birthdays

Happy Birthday to:

Calum Young (J) Lacie Donnelly (J) Hailey Main (J) Lawson Baillie (A) Emily Brien (A)



Snack Money

We kindly ask for £3 snack money donation every week. Mrs Lyons will collect this every Wednesday in the foyer. Thank you for your support.

<u>Gym/PE Day:</u> This will take place every Tuesday.

<u>Diary Dates</u>



<u>Clothing/Indoor Shoes</u>

We would respectfully ask that you change your child's shoes at the start of each session into their soft indoor shoes, placing their outdoor shoes in the shoe box.

Please help us by writing your child's name on <u>all</u>items of clothing and shoes, this ensures no items get lost.

We would also ask that your child keeps a change of clothes in their small bag, which is kept in the cloakroom, in case they need a change during the session. Thank you!

'New Starts' Routine

Over the next few weeks, staff will be observing the children closely before placing them in groups. We will inform all new parents/carers of their child's group and key worker in due course.

<u>**Reminder:**</u> Please remember to check your child's tray every day for letters, completed work etc.

Parent Council Meeting	Monday 27 th August at 6:30pm-8pm
Bookbug Open Sessions Commence	Thursday 6 th September (every week)
'See Your Child at Play' Day	Friday 14 th September at 11am/2pm
Parent Council Meeting	Monday 17 th September at 6:30pm-8pm
HOLIDAY	Friday 21 st /Monday 24th September