



Lanark Primary ELC Newsletter

November 2025



Over this month, our early learners have been developing their knowledge of the wellbeing indicator 'Achieving' and they have certainly been achieving lots and progressing their skills in the playroom, outdoors and in the woodlands!

As a staff team, we were delighted to welcome parents, carers and family members into our establishment for a Woodlands Stay and Play session. Thank you so much for giving your time to join us at this fabulous learning experience with your child, and we know that they all loved having you join in the fun of learning with them! Due to Christmas activities, Wednesday 26th November was the last 'official' Woodlands Play session of the year. Look out for January's start date in your child's Learning Journal.



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

The Staff Team



Baby News/ Staffing

We are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Miss Ford's baby son, Lucas. We wish her and her fiancé Graham all the very best as they embrace this new chapter in their lives!

Congratulations to Miss Nicole Watt who was successful at interview and will join our fantastic staff team to cover Miss Ford's maternity leave, Wednesday to Friday. She will be responsible for the Yellow Team on these days with Mrs Logan continuing to have responsibility on Mondays and Tuesdays.



Wellbeing Indicator of the Month - Achieving

Every month we reinforce one of the areas which helps our children explore their wellbeing and how this can be improved or supported. November's focus is on ACHIEVING. This includes being supported and guided in learning and in the development of skills, confidence and self-esteem, at home, in school and in the community.

Ask your child about the different ways that they are **achieving**!



Nurture Principles

As part of our Health and Wellbeing work to further develop our attachment informed, trauma sensitive approaches to support learners, we have worked on linking the Nurture Principles, in child-friendly language, to our Wellbeing Indicators of the Month.

Our Nurture Principle for this month's theme of **Achieving** is:

Children's learning is understood developmentally (we all learn in different ways and at different speeds)

We will continue to share these principles throughout the session to make them meaningful not only to our staff and learners, but to parents and carers too.

Christmas Online Panto

Our early learners will enjoy an online panto in the playroom from Monday 15th December, funded by the Parent Council. We have purchased Goldilocks packed with songs and audience participation, and we know our early learners are going to love it!

Happy Birthday to:

November

Brody

Liyah

Samoon



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 2026 and end of February 2027, they are entitled to a fully funded place. The closing date for all ELC new applications is **end of February 2026** for a start date from August 2026. Applications can be collected from the school office.



Christmas Lunch Menu

The whole school and ELC will have their Christmas Lunch on **Thursday 11th December**. Please remember to complete the order form posted on the School App by **Monday 1st December**.



Parent/Carer Peep Sessions

Many thanks to everyone who attended our Peep Information Session led by Mrs Lyons, and to the parents and family members of the Green and Blue Teams who came along to our first Peep Session on Numeracy (Together We Count).

Yellow and Red Teams are invited to attend this session on Thursday 4th December at 2pm.

Please enter via the ELC Main Doors.

We look forward to seeing you!





Diary Dates

	December
Pre-School Vision Tests	Thursday 4 th (AM)
Peep Session 1- Yellow & Red Teams	Thursday 4 th at 2pm
ELC Christmas Celebration (Hall)	Tuesday 9 th at 2pm
Christmas Lunch	Thursday 11 th
Online Panto- Goldilocks	Week beginning 15 th
Christmas Party Day (Children should come dressed in their party clothes)	Thursday 18 th
Christmas Jumper Day	Friday 19 th
ELC Closes	Friday 19 th at 2.30pm (doors will open from 2.15pm)

We are always looking to continually improve our ELC, so if you have any suggestions for how we could do this, or you might want to share with us something that you think we do well, please use the box below and hand it into Mrs Lyons at the door. Thank you for your continued support as we work together in partnership to help your child achieve their full potential.

