

# Welcome to Heathhall Early Learning and Childcare Centre

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## Our Parent Council

The Parent Council are the driving force behind all the parties and extra fun things your children do. They fund raise to provide ICT equipment, playground resources, parties, P1 (ties & bags) and P7 (gifts). **They also have an important input into the running of the school**, take parents views forward and are an essential part of what makes us Heathhall Nursery.

**We need nursery parents to be our voice on the Parent Council. The next meeting is on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm in the school so please come along.** The parent council email is [heathhallparentcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:heathhallparentcouncil@gmail.com)

## Potted Sports 13<sup>th</sup> May

For the past few years we have held nursery potted sports in the afternoon. We have noticed that after potted sports parents and children really enjoy a relaxed social chat. The children had lots of fun at their recent Teddy Bears Picnic, so we thought we would merge these ideas to hold our **Potted Sports Picnic on the morning of Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May with parents coming to nursery to support their child at 10.45am.**

After potted sports, parents will then be welcome to stay and **join us for a picnic lunch in the garden (12 - 1pm).** **We have to limit attendance to 2 adults per child** as it will be very busy with over 50 children (so over 160 people in the garden).

We really hope you are able to make arrangements to join us for the morning and lunch time of Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May and fingers crossed that the weather is warm and dry ☺

**Thank you everyone for connecting to Class Dojo.** I hope you are finding contacting nursery easier and regularly seeing pictures of your children.

**Thank you to those parents who have completed the questionnaire and please take 2 minutes to complete it if you haven't yet done so - link on Dojo ☺**

Please see the attached **Shout Out sheet from your children.** Arwen has written **'Please can we have it, if you've got old stuff'** and the children cut out pictures of the used things we are hoping to get donated to enhance their outside play ☺

## What have we been learning?

Lots of fun has been had when we have been learning about healthy and unhealthy foods. We have been enjoying different snack foods and also learning about different foods from different cultures.

The children have been taking photographs with the kiddizoom cameras and then printing them off, cutting them out and making their own photo album. You can see this next to the Big Book in nursery.

Spring cleaning outside and getting our new planters ready has also been a great interest as we are trying to develop our gardening area further so it can be used throughout the year.

World Book Day was celebrated by watching the author Mike Nicolson on the interactive board read his book 'My Granny went to Scotland and she brought back' live from Wigtown Book Festival.



## What we are learning in nursery now

The sheet sent with this newsletter has the planning statements for what we are learning about in nursery now.

**These come from the children's interest and are a guide as interest can change. We also follow the children's individual interests and respond to them as requests are made.**

March 2025

## Dates for your diary

### **Spring holiday**

Closed end of Friday 28<sup>th</sup>  
March - open Monday 14<sup>th</sup>  
April

### **Easter weekend**

Closed end of Thursday  
17<sup>th</sup> April - open Tuesday  
22nd April

### **May Day Bank Holiday**

Closed end of Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
May - open Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>  
May

### **Nursery Open Morning**

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 9.30 -  
10.30am

### **Potted Sports Picnic**

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May

### **Parent Council Meeting**

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May at  
6.30pm

### **Stay and play week**

w/c 2<sup>nd</sup> June

### **Moving on Celebration**

(Children moving on to P1 only)  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June, 3.15pm

### **Summer Holidays**

Closed end of Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
July - open Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>  
August

All holiday dates at -

<https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15239/School-term-and-holiday-dates>

### Important reminder

**Please put your child's name in every item of clothing that comes into nursery.**