



Welcome to Loanhead Primary & ECC session of 2022-23

We are delighted to welcome all of our families to this new session at Loanhead Primary and ECC. We hope that you have had a super summer and are all getting ready to come into school and early years full of your usual energy. We are looking forward to getting to know all of the children and build our relationships with you all. We also wish to welcome some new staff to the school and we are delighted that Mr Boyle, Mrs Templeman and Mrs MacPearson have joined us. I know you will welcome them into our Loanhead community.

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PE Days

P1a	Monday & Friday
P1b	Tuesday & Friday
P1c	Tuesday & Friday
P2	Monday & Thursday
P3/2	Wednesday & Friday
P3	Wednesday & Thursday
P4	Monday & Wednesday
P5	Monday & Thursday
P6	Tuesday & Thursday
P7/6	Tuesday & Thursday
P7	Tuesday & Thursday

School t-shirts and sweatshirts should be worn as normal however jogging trousers, shorts or leggings should be worn on PE days

P1 Arrangements 18/8/22

The staggered start for the children is as follows:

Children with surnames

A—I will enter at 9:15a.m.

J—R will enter 9:30a.m.

S—Z will enter 9:45a.m.

Through the glass doors at P1 ramp.

For the first two days the children will exit at 2:55p.m. before the rest of the school.

Start of the Year information

- Children return on the 18th August and can enter the playground from 8:45a.m.
- PEACE is available before and after school for those who require child care out with the school day. <http://www.peacechildcare.com/>
- School starts at 9a.m. and finishes at 3p.m.
- If a child is going to be absent for any reason please let the office know before 9:30a.m.
- Data forms should be returned by the 26th August these will be issued in the first week.
- ECC children will finish at 2:50p.m. and leave from their door at the front of the building. Please use the walkway along the front of the building rather than crossing the carpark which can be very busy with moving cars.
- Primary 1s will exit the building from the glass doors and we would ask parents to wait in the playground at the PEACE building (lower gate) until teachers hand off the children to their grown ups in order to match them with their adult.
- Primary 2, 3 and 4 parents should wait in the playground next to the MUGA pitch and then should exit the main gate on Dick Road.
- Primary 5s, 6s and 7s exit via the pedestrian gate on Loanhead Street unless attending PEACE or meeting siblings at the other side of the school.
- Please do not enter the playground if there is a class still working in any of the playground areas.
- We would ask that the gates are kept clear as crowds of people standing there forces the children onto the road to pass the crowd which is unsafe.
- When accessing PEACE after school the gate next to the PEACE building will be open on Dick Road.

COMMUNICATION We began the process of improving communications between school and home last session and in light of the responses given by the parents we have adapted what we will be doing moving forwards.

- There will be a termly newsletter including dates for the diary emailed to parents.
- The school app is the main method of communication for providing up to the minute information, lunch menus, and updates.
- The Blog will be updated with information for classes and holds important information. This will be cross referenced with the app messages and will include full copies of links sent out on the app.
- Twitter feed will show what has been happening in Loanhead from the ECC to P7. Photos of children's work will be there, school activities and celebrations (dependent on permissions given by parents).



Dates for the Diary

August

17th In-service Day
18th School Opens to pupils
26th Data forms must be returned

September

Beginning week of 5th Sept letters will go out to parents of pupils with ASN reviews these will run over the next three weeks

6th Parental Workshop for P1 & 2 Active Literacy & Numeracy

7th Parental Workshop—helping your child with homework

8th Parental Workshop for P3 Active Literacy & Numeracy

12th ECC Care plans initial phone calls

(NB Workshops from 4-5p.m.)

15th Whole school outing to Culzean P1-P7 including sponsored fund raiser for school funds

16th-19th Local holiday

21st International Peace Day—wear rainbow colours, dress down

26th ECC and Primary Open Evening

October

10th World Mental Health Day—Parents in for massage in schools taster

10th Parent teacher meeting time form must be returned

13th Harvest Service

14th House Points rewards disco

14th School closes 3p.m.

17th—24th Pupils holiday

24th In-service day

25th Pupils return

27th Parent/Teacher meetings

28th Hallowe'en celebrations during school day—come dressed up ready to dook for apples.

November

1st Parent/Teacher meetings

11th Remembrance Service

15th—21st Anti-bullying Week

28th ECC Target Conversations

30th St Andrews Day

December

13th Primary 1 Nativity pm performance

14th Primary 1 Nativity am performance

14th Pantomime Palace Theatre 1:30

15th ECC Christmas Party

19th P4 Christmas Party

20th P5 Christmas Party

20th P3s Christmas Party

21st P6s Christmas Party

21st P2s Christmas Party

21st ECC PJ and movie day

22nd P7s Christmas Party

22nd P1s Christmas Party

23rd Christmas Service

23rd Popcorn & Film party—House points reward

23rd School closes at 2:30p.m. ECC closes at 2:45p.m.

January 2023

9th Pupils return

Date TBC P7 visit to Burns exhibitions

February

3rd P7 Burns Supper—1:30p.m.

7th Scottish Poetry afternoon

9th—15th Pupil Holiday

14th & 15th Teacher In-service

March

2nd World Book Day—theme to be confirmed

6th ECC Target Conversations

30th Easter Service

30th House Points Reward

31st Spring Fling fundraiser for School Funds

31st School closes 2:30p.m., ECC closes 2:45p.m.

April

17th Pupils return

24th-27th Intergenerational Week

May

P7 Residential—Date in May TBC

1st Local Holiday

4th Parent/Teacher meetings

9th Parent/Teacher meetings

22nd ECC Target Conversations

29th Local Holiday

30th Teacher In-service

31st Pupils return

June

1st Report Cards out

5th –9th Health Week

9th Sports Day

27th Prize-giving and End of year Service

28th House Points Reward

29th Fun day

30th School Closes at 1p.m.

Please Note

Further dates will be added especially to the second part of the session as dates are confirmed. Stay and Play sessions will be made available to ECC parent/carers over the session. Events run by Friends of Loanhead Parent Council will be added and notified on future newsletters and on all platforms including their AGM which will be held in September and to which all parents and carers are invited.

Much as we love our pets, due to some children now attending Loanhead who have severe allergic reactions to dog hair, requiring medical epi-pen intervention we would ask all owners not to bring their dogs into the grounds. Please also keep them back from the gates to allow for children to safely enter and exit the school. Thank you for helping to keep pupils safe.



If your child has a diagnosed medical condition please make sure this is highlighted on the medical form. Thank you.