



Fenwick Early Childhood Centre

April 2021



Welcome to the April edition of our newsletter. It has been a busy month in the ECC with the introduction of 1140 hours. The children, as always, have taken this change in their stride and are doing really well with the new routine.

Staffing update

We would like to welcome Amanda Graham to the staff team. Amanda joined us on March 15th as our Support Assistant. Amanda will be working with all the children between 10am and 2pm, Monday to Friday.

Children's progress meetings

Our children's progress meetings will take place in May. This a short meeting which will be carried out by telephone with your child's keyworker so they can share a progress update with you. These calls will take place in the week beginning 10th May between 10am and 11:30am or between 3pm and 4pm. I will confirm days for keyworker groups after the Easter break.

Lunch time

Lunch has been going really well and it has been a nice opportunity for staff to sit with the children and enjoy a warm meal and some fantastic conversations! I have included a photo of the lunch table below.



The children would normally be encouraged to serve themselves however, due to COVID-19 restrictions, staff are asking the children what they would like and referring to their choices you helped them with if they aren't sure. There is plenty for everyone and the children have been getting more confident in asking to try different things. It has been lovely to hear children saying, "I tried it but I didn't really like it!" or "this is so good!"

The lunch menus will change after the Easter break and an online choices form went live last week for you to update your child's lunch choices. The lunch menus will change every week on a three week rotation. I will confirm which week we will be on before we return on 19th April.

Transition to P1

A questionnaire was shared on 24th March via the APP for parents and carers to complete regarding their child starting P1 in August. This will be live until 31st March and I'd appreciate it if you could take the time to complete this as it will help us when planning and supporting your child's transition.

Sponsored welly waddle

We are planning a sponsored welly waddle for the ECC children to take part in on Friday 23rd April. This is to raise funds for a school and ECC fun day in June and we would be grateful if you could collect some sponsors during the Easter break. The children will bring their sponsor form home on Thursday 1st April and we would ask for this to be returned by Friday 23rd April along with any funds raised in a sealed envelope.

Graduation

Staff have started to plan the graduation for our pre-school children. We are hopeful this will be able to go ahead with parents and carers attending a graduation ceremony in the gym hall however we are also planning for an outdoor event and a virtual event. This will be confirmed nearer the time and will be subject the restrictions in place. The graduation date will be Thursday 17th June 2021 between 9:30am and 11am. More info to follow.

New ECC proposal

There is a virtual meeting on Tuesday 30th March at 6:30pm for any parents or carers who wish to join to find out more about the new ECC proposal within Fenwick Primary School. If you do wish to attend, please see the APP for the link posted on 23rd March or send an email request to eaFenwick.ECC@eastayrshire.org.uk

Remember if you have any questions or queries, please get in touch or ask to speak with someone at drop off/pick up.

Kind regards,

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Dates for your diary

A full list of diary dates from now until June will be available on our blog and will be updated as new events/visits are added. We also add these to the APP and Facebook page.

I have included dates up until end of June and I will make you aware of anything new as it comes up. Please note, these events are subject to COVID-19 restrictions and guidance and may have to be postponed at short notice.

April

2nd - 18th - Easter holidays

19th - ECC reopens

23rd - Sponsored welly waddle

May

3rd - May day holiday

4th - Staff and children return to ECC

6th - In-service day - ECC closed to children

7th - Children return to ECC

WB 10th - Children's progress meetings

31st - Local holiday - ECC closed

June

3rd - Sports Day - more info to follow

WB 7th - Enrolment of new children / visits

17th - Graduation for pre-school children

25th - Last day of term - school closes at 1pm