

HNC Students

We have recently welcomed an HNC Student from Ayrshire College to the Centre. Caitlyn will be joining us for a six week placement as she works towards her qualification to become an Early Learning & Childcare Practitioner.

Tooth Brushing

Tooth brushing is now underway in the ECC. We will encourage children to brush their teeth while in the Centre as part of our daily routine. Further information can be found on tooth brushing in the ECC at :

www.childsmile.nhs.scot/parents-carers/toothbrushing/toothbrushing-in-school-and-nursery/



Groups



Group Name	Key Worker
Sunshine	Angela
Rainbow	Susan Amanda
Star	Gillian



Halloween Celebrations



Halloween Story and Rhyme Time

We invite Parents/ Carers to join their child in the ECC for a Halloween themed story and rhyme time.

09.15am—09.45am

Wednesday 25th October

Rainbow Group

Thursday 26th October

Sunshine and Star Groups

Halloween Party

Friday 27th October 2023

Children can dress up for the Halloween Party if they wish.

No scary masks please.

We will have sensory experiences during the morning, then party games, music and dancing in the afternoon.

A special Halloween snack will be provided.

Key Dates:

Wednesday 11th October—Library Bus Visit to school and ECC

Monday 16th—Monday 23rd October — Centre Closed

Tuesday 24th October—Centre Reopens

Wednesday 25th October & Thursday 26th October—

Halloween Story and Rhyme Time

Friday 27th October—ECC Halloween Party (PM)



Helpful Hints

It is helpful if your child brings a backpack to the ECC with them with a change of clothes (especially socks).

Please label items of clothing, such as jumpers and cardigans, with your child's name.

We access outdoors in all weathers—remember there are boxes available in the cloakroom to store hats, scarves and gloves for the children to use when they are outdoors.

Please provide waterproof clothing (clearly labelled) for your child and wellington boots.

There is a lost and found basket in the Cloakroom.



Please contact Mrs McKillop or Joanne McKay on:

(01560) 600403 or

eaFenwick.ECC@eastayrshire.org.uk

If you have any worries or concerns.





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Journey To Jupiter



We are delighted to be participating in East Ayrshire Council's new Active Travel initiative. The aim of this project is to get young people walking to school in a bid to further reduce our carbon emissions here in East Ayrshire, whilst also promoting Active travel and reducing congestion at our School and ECC gates.

Earning S-Miles

Each time our young people travel to /from the ECC by walking, scooting/cycling they will earn an S-Mile for their group.

Park & Stride—pupils will earn an S-Mile even if they walk for part of their journey to/ from the ECC.

Bonus S-Miles can be earned by Parents/ siblings/ staff walking the journey to the ECC too.

This initiative will be supported in Fenwick PS by Mrs Eccleston and Miss Anderson (P6/7)

Gillian will be supporting the initiative in the ECC.

For further information please see the ECC App.



Family Photographs



We spend a lot of time in the ECC talking about our families and special people in our lives. We would love to be able to develop our display within our corridor of all our

Fenwick ECC families.

If you have a photograph(s) of your family you wish to share please send it with your child to the Centre where we can display this on the wall.

We are looking forward to seeing all your lovely photographs soon.



Weather Changes



As we reach Autumn, the weather is becoming a little colder outdoors.

If you wish to change your child's waterproof clothing to warmer alternatives for the Autumn/ Winter, the racks are available in the playrooms for you to access.

There are boxes in the ECC corridor, stored under each groups pegs. These can be used to store hats, scarves and gloves. Staff will take them into the Playroom for your child to access during outdoor play.

If you would like your child to wear the jacket that they attend the Centre wearing, please hang this on the outdoor clothing racks located in the playrooms, and collect it from here at the end of each day.

Sun creams are available in the ECC corridor, labelled with each child's name, for you to collect at your earliest convenience.





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Children's Individual Targets

We are revising the way that we document children's learning in the ECC.

We have moved away from multiple Floor Books and now have a focus on quality observations and a new planning format which is currently being piloted by all ECC's in the authority.

We have implemented a WOW floor book to highlight some of the significant learning which is taking place in the Centre. This can be found in the ECC corridor.

To aid this process we will share your child's learning on their Learning Journal.

Using this platform to document learning allows us a clear overview of each individual child's learning.

You will see over the course of the next few weeks that children will begin to have 'Next Steps' highlighted on observations.

These will be your child's individual learning targets.

We would appreciate if you could comment on observations which have next steps highlighted to show your agreement to the targets.

We will aim to publish observations for the previous weeks learning experiences on a Monday.

If you require your Learning Journal log in reset please speak to Joanne .

Thank you for your continued support.



Absence



If your is child absent from the Centre, please call us and let us know on 01560 600403.

Please can we ask that you share a reason for their absence if possible. This is very helpful to the Centre as it allows us to fully implement Infection Control procedures and report any outbreaks of illness to the relevant teams if children are unwell.

Keeping in touch



Learning Journals—If you require your log in reset please speak to your child's Key Worker or Joanne



Facebook— Search Fenwick Early Childhood Centre



GLOW Blog



GLOW Blog— Please scan QR code to access blog or search Fenwick ECC



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Our Vision is for all children to achieve and attain in a safe, happy and nurturing environment.

Our Aim is to ensure every child and young person reaches their full potential and is 'the best they can be!'

Our Values are—

Kindness, Ambition, Respect and Honesty

