Fenwick Early Childhood Centre

Newsletter

March 2026

Dear Parents, Grandparents, Families and Friends of Fenwick ECC,

I just wanted to let you know that I'll be starting my maternity leave on Monday 20th of April, which means my last day at the Centre will be Thursday 2nd April 2026 due to the Easter holiday.

It has truly been such a pleasure working with you all. Being part of your children's learning journey is something I feel incredibly grateful for. Watching them grow in confidence, form friendships and discover new things each day brings me so much happiness. It is such a privilege to share in these important early years.

Mr Houston will confirm, in due course and once the recruitment process has been completed, who will be stepping into the role of Senior Early Learning and Childcare Practitioner during my leave.

I am hoping to pop in for visits when I can and would love to continue to be part of some of the children's special celebrations if possible. I'm also sure the happy news of the baby's arrival will be shared with the children and with you all when the time comes.

Thank you so much for your kindness, encouragement and support throughout my pregnancy.

It has truly meant the world to me.

With warmest wishes,

Joanne

Stay and Play

We would like to invite parents and carers to join their child on the dates provided for a Stay and Play session at Fenwick ECC.

These informal sessions are a lovely opportunity to spend some time in the ECC alongside your child, sharing in their learning and experiences. The sessions will be Easter-themed, with crafts and a variety of engaging activities for you to enjoy together.

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing this special time with you

24/03/26	Rainbow	9.10– 9.45 approx.
25/03/26	Sunshine	9.10– 9.45 approx.
26/03/26	Star	9.10– 9.45

peep

Gillian Kelly and Christine Toner are Equity and Excellence Leads within East Ayrshire Council. They are both fully Peep trained and are excited to be bringing Peep sessions to Fenwick ECC in Term 3.

Peeple (Peep) Learning Together Programme is for children under five years alongside their parents and carers. Peep is an evidence based programme which provides information on child development and supports parents and carers to enhance their home learning environment and to support their child's development.

They are hosting an information session in Fenwick PS gym hall on Tuesday 31st of March 2026 at 09.15am to answer any questions and share their experiences with you.

A form will be available shortly via the GLOW blog and App to gauge parental interest in the information session and also in attending Peep sessions in Term 3.

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Drop off and Collection Reminders

A gentle reminder to all parents and carers regarding our drop off and collection times at Fenwick ECC.

Morning drop off is between **8.50am–9.00am**, and afternoon collection is between **2.50pm–3.00pm**.

At 9.00am, the children begin their Group Time, where they take part in focused experiences with their key worker and the other children in their group. Late arrivals can unintentionally disrupt this important part of the morning routine.

Similarly, afternoon collection time is carefully planned. After 3.00pm, staff have protected time for training, planning, tracking, observations and updating Learning Journals. Late collections can have an impact on this essential work.

We completely understand that occasionally things happen which are out with your control. However, we would really appreciate your support in sticking to the allocated drop off and collection times wherever possible.

If you need to collect your child out with these times, please make arrangements in advance with the Senior ELCP and enter via the main entrance of Fenwick PS and ECC, where a member of staff will escort you to the ECC. For security reasons, parents and carers should not operate the playroom doors.

Thank you very much for your continued support and understanding.

Easter Holiday

The Centre will close for the Easter Holidays on Thursday 2nd April 2026. The ECC will operate our usual session. Fenwick Primary School close at 2.30 this day. To ease the transition and pick up times the ECC doors will open at 2.30pm and remain open until our usual time of 3pm.

Important Dates:

24/03/26	Rainbow Stay and Play 9.10– 9.45
25/03/26	Sunshine Stay and Play 9.10– 9.45
26/03/26	Star Stay and Play 9.10– 9.45
02/04/26	Centre closes for Easter holiday (Normal session applies).
20/04/26	Centre re-opens.
04/05/06	Centre closed—Public holiday
01/05/26	Centre closed—Inservice day

*Please scan this QR code to access school holidays for 2025—2026 *

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Keeping in Touch

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

Facebook— Search Fenwick Early Childhood Centre

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

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