

# Crosshouse ECC Newsletter, October 2020

## Halloween

We will have a fun filled Halloween party for each cohort on Friday 30 October. Please dress your child up, if they wish to—not too scary though as some of the wee ones are frightened of masks. Due to the current COVID restrictions, It would help us if children didn't bring in too many costume accessories.

We would welcome donations of any Halloween decorations for our rooms.



## Pumpkin trail

We plan to start a pumpkin trail outside the ECC for Halloween on Wednesday 28 October. Each group will design 2 pumpkins to start the trail. We would encourage you to show us your carving skills and add your pumpkins to our trail. Hopefully the Primary School and community will join in!

## What have we been up to?

The children have been so busy in the last few weeks.

In the Star room, children have been exploring dinosaurs and volcanoes; as well as doing lots of STEM activities, including experiments outside. They have looked at the consistency of salt dough (soft to hard); ice; bicarbonate of soda, shadows in the sun.

In the Sun room, the children have been exploring an autumn theme; making autumn art and looking at conkers, leaves and woodland animals. They are also working on being responsible citizens; exploring similarities and differences including an eye colour chart; as well as talking about their families; who lives in their house and the people they love.

## Golden Tickets

We are restarting our golden ticket reward scheme. Children will receive golden tickets throughout the week for all the good work which they have done and following the golden rules. Those with the most golden tickets on a Friday will receive a certificate and pick a special treat from the golden ticket box.

## Running late???

If you are running late, please go to your usual entrance and call the ECC office and Carol or Mrs McWhinnie

**All of the children have done a fab job of settling back into the ECC and we look forward to welcoming them back after the October holiday.**



## Kitchen Roll , Wipes and Tissues

We would be very grateful if you could hand in donations of the above each term.

## Loose Parts

We are also seeking donations of the following for our loose parts play:- cotton reels, nuts and bolts, wooden shapes, pine cones, twigs, leaves, guttering, plumbing items, guttering clips.

**These should be placed in a plastic bag prior to handing over to staff at your entrance. Thanks in advance**

## Change of Clothing

Could you please ensure that your child is wearing suitable clothing for the ECC both inside and out. Please avoid wearing good clothes which may be soiled during messy activities.

A spare set of clothes and shoes can be kept at the ECC for use should your child require to get changed.

Your child's name should be marked on all their belongings.

## Personal belongings

We are trying to discourage children from bringing toys/personal belongings into the ECC.

Your co-operation is much appreciated.

## Holiday Dates

The ECC will be closed as follows:

Monday 12—Friday 16 October

Monday 19 October (Inservice)

Monday 21 December—Tuesday 5 January inclusive

## Passwords

Please remember to return the completed form with your child's security password by email to Carol in the office.

## Tempest

All orders should be submitted online directly to Tempest.

## Any questions???

Given the COVID-19 restrictions regarding entry of parents into the ECC and in turn, the lack of face-to-face discussions, we would like to encourage you to phone or email if you have any questions or queries.



## Crosshouse Foodbank

Please donate any uniform items which the ECC cannot take to the above .

Remember to check Crosshouse Primary, Communication Centre and ECC facebook page  
and School app for useful information

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