



## Galston Early Childhood Centre: Newsletter: June 2023



### June Update

This past month has been a busy one in the ECC! With the good weather we have had we have been outdoors most of the day. We have released butterflies and watched our tadpoles grow. We would also like to thank the Dome for helping us to plant our vegetable garden.

Our pre-schoolers have begun to prepare for their leavers celebration on the 28<sup>th</sup>. We are so proud of them and can't wait to share their hard work with you.

Our parents committee are hosting their first ECC fundraiser at the Galston Gala day on the 10<sup>th</sup> June. They will have a stall where you are invited to try and soak Martin, Elaine or Alyson. They will also be selling raffle tickets. Please come and say "Hi" if you are there they would love to see you!

### Important Things To Note

- We have started Fruit Friday in the ECC with every child being invited to take home some fruit for the weekend. This will be at the exit door at home time.
- We have in the ECC a range of uniform and donated clothes. These will be available at the end of the day so please help yourself as we know how quickly children grow out of clothes or how dirty they can get.
- All children should have received a letter about our trip to Calderglen on the 22<sup>nd</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> June and have returned their permission slips. Parents will receive a letter with more information nearer the date of the trip. Thank you to everyone who offered to be parent helpers as the trip wouldn't be possible without it

### Transition/ Pre schooler Information

- All children will receive an information pack from the school after the information evening on the 5<sup>th</sup> June.
- Please apply for your school uniform grant and the Scottish school age payment which are two separate grants to help with the costs of school uniform. If you are unsure what this is please speak to management.

### Galston School and ECC APP

We have a new app "Safer Schools Scotland" that can be downloaded through the app store. We ask for patience as we navigate the app. If you need a code to get logged in, you should have received an email with this. If you have not received an email please see Joanne at the office.



**June top tip**

**When your child says the wrong sound, don't put pressure on them.**



**Just repeat the correct word back to them. If they say tat instead of cat, say: "yes, that's a nice ....cat".**

Check out our social media:

-  @weepeoplechat
-  @AyrshireSLT
-  East Ayrshire Speech and Language Therapy

Helpline & Virtual Drop In

Helpline: Phone-07980919654  
Mon.9:30am- 11:30am  
Thur- 2pm-4pm

Virtual- Phone/Text- 07812519298 to book an appointment for:  
Tue-3pm-6pm  
Fri. 9:30am-12:30pm



## Safety & Security

If you are picking your child up out with gate opening times, please always report to the ECC/School reception and press on the buzzer and wait for a response. Only staff are permitted to open the main gates so we can maintain the safety and security of our children at all times.

## Parent Committee

The ECC has a Parent Committee that have a Facebook page which will keep you updated with any fundraising or information of events they are running. To join please scan the code below:

### Share group with a QR code

Anyone who scans the QR code will see the group's About page and can ask to join.

Galston Ecc Parent Group



## Improvement Plan 23/24

Thank you to everyone who responded to the questionnaire to share their views of the Centre and how they would like to see the Centre develop in the next year ahead. There is still time to share your views before the results are collated and added into our improvement plan. We will share the results with you over the next couple of weeks. The improvement plan for 23/24 is being developed and we look forward to working together with you to support the development of our Centre



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**E- Journals:** You can message your child's keyworker through the E-journals.

