



## Falkirk Froebel News

Term 1 2023

“Link always link” Froebel

**“Play is the highest level of child development... It promotes enjoyment, satisfaction, serenity and constitutes the source of all that can benefit the child.”** (Froebel in Lilley, 1967:83)

**Welcome to this edition of our Falkirk Froebel Family Network news.** It is our aspiration to **keep connected communicate and share information through this platform.**

Firstly, we would like to acknowledge the **wonderful amount of fantastic Froebelian Principled Practice happening across Falkirk.** The volume of projects which have been implemented is amazing and to see these become embedded, sustained, and further extended is an absolute pleasure as it means so much rich experiences for so many children.



### **Congratulations**

**Congratulations to all the Falkirk Froebelian’s who passed their Froebel in Childhood practice course** this year – we look forward to your celebration evening and sharing these projects and posters wider.

In addition, a **massive well done to all the Falkirk Froebelian’s who completed Froebelian Futures courses.**

There is a wealth of positive impacts for children, families and practitioners coming from all of the above courses.

Froebelian Futures also have a range of resources to support ongoing learning and reflections here is a link to explore further: [Froebelian Futures - Froebelian futures \(ed.ac.uk\)](https://www.ed.ac.uk/froebelian-futures)

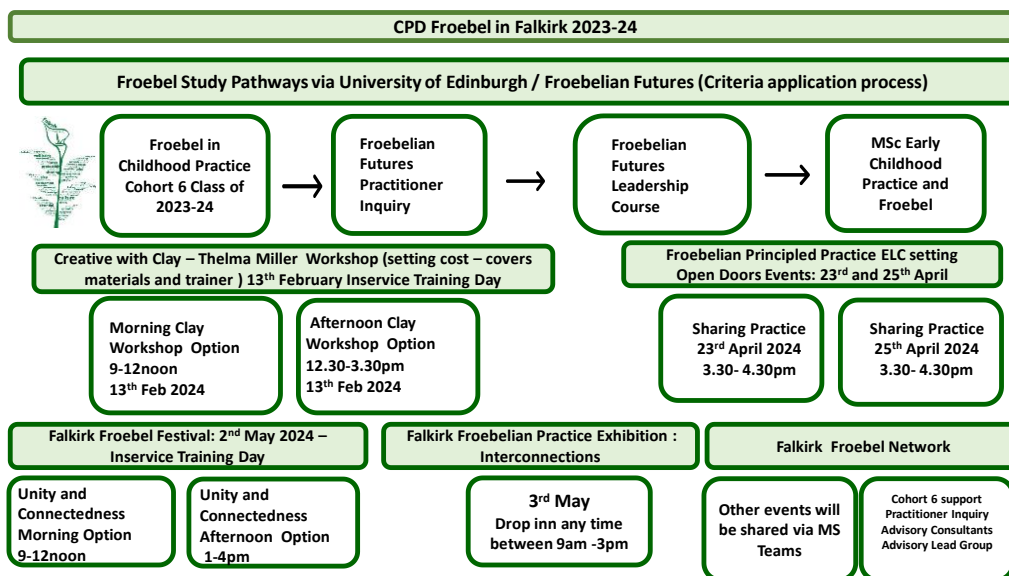
## Falkirk Froebel Flagship

We now have two Falkirk settings: **Inclair ELCC** and **Bankier ELC** who are on their Falkirk Froebel Flagship journey.

## Falkirk Froebelian Visits

In the past Froebelian Lead Donna Green has arranged ELC visits to settings who have trained Froebelian's however this **will now be allocated on a request from settings basis** – Donna is more than happy to visit to offer any support or answer queries etc. Please email [donna.green@falkirk.gov.uk](mailto:donna.green@falkirk.gov.uk) to arrange.

## Specific Falkirk Froebel Network CPD



## Other CLPL opportunities:

The Froebel Trust has a host of wonderful supportive free training resources: [Froebel Trust | Homepage](#)

## Falkirk Froebel Network Pathways available 2023-24

**Froebel in Childhood Practice Course Cohort 6** begins in September – **we welcome 27 x Falkirk Educators to the Falkirk Froebel Family** and wish you all the best as you venture into your studies through the University of Edinburgh.

**Froebelian Futures – Practitioner Inquiry – We have 21 x Falkirk Froebelian's beginning this fabulous course** in September, I am sure you will love the opportunity to network across Scotland through this course and investigate improvement through a research basis.

**Froebelian Futures – Froebelian Leadership – We have 11 x Falkirk Froebelian's joining this wonderful course** which really provokes a leadership at all levels through Froebelian Principles.

## Falkirk Froebel Blog

The Falkirk Froebel Family blog is a really good resource to find and share practice around woodwork, sewing, family songs, block play etc Here is the link:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/fa/falkirkearlyyears/falkirk-froebel-family/>

### Family Songs – Singing Together Learning Together

This is a resource that can be used and shared in our ELC settings, with families and communities. Over the year we share a minimum of 8 x family song sways via @FalkirkFroebel twitter. Please join in to share the many benefits and joy that singing brings at home, throughout nursery and in our communities.



### Term 1 dates for diaries:

- 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> October Cohort 5 – **Froebel in Childhood Practice – 9<sup>th</sup> September** – 9.30-12.30pm online
- An Introduction to Froebel – for Forth Valley College Early Education and Childcare students 11-1pm.
- Froebelian Futures- **Froebelian Practitioner Inquiry Course starts - 20<sup>th</sup> September** – 4-6pm online.
- 21<sup>st</sup> September – New Froebel Trust pamphlet available – Empowering Learning Play, symbols, and creativity by Tina Bruce.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> September – 1<sup>st</sup> October Froebelian Futures **We Play Festival** takes place in Edinburgh – click the link for various events [programme now live](#) and shareable, with this event bookable for anyone you think might enjoy it [here](#).
- 29<sup>th</sup> September Falkirk presenting on Slow Pedagogy at the Clackmannan Festival
- Falkirk Froebel Family Network - Advisory Consultant meets and Advisory Lead Group meets to be confirmed.
- 5<sup>th</sup> October: [Froebel Trust | Froebel Trust Autumn Lecture 2023](#) Free to join online:  
Professor Tina Bruce: Children’s Play and Creativity

We would like this to be **reciprocal Froebel News** and welcome any of our Falkirk Froebel Family Froebelians and communities to share. **Please forward any information you would like added to the next Term 2 Falkirk Froebel News. Froebel Family please join in on Twitter/X by sharing your Froebelian Practice @FalkirkFroebel 😊**

