Burntisland Primary School



# ELC Newsletter September 2026

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This month, our focus has been on getting to know one another, developing a sense of belonging, and establishing positive relationships. The children have enjoyed a range of play-based learning experiences both indoors and outdoors, showing curiosity, creativity, and independence in their play.

As the season begins to change, we will be spending lots of time exploring the natural world around us. Please ensure your child comes to nursery with appropriate clothing for outdoor learning, including a waterproof jacket and sturdy shoes.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to another exciting month of learning, play, and discovery together! 🌟

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ALWAYS FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US WITH ANY COMMENTS AND QUERIES

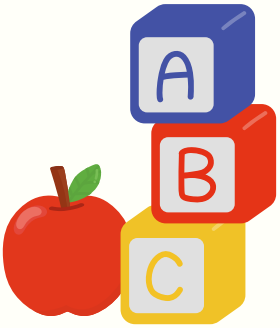
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# Staffing in the Nursery






**Bumblebees** (2 year olds) Early Years Officer Team: Miss E Thomson, Miss Y Ferguson, Miss V Lawson and Mrs G Mitchell.

**Butterflies** (3-5 year olds) Early Years Officer Team: Miss S Henderson, Miss C Abbot, Miss J McBride, Miss K Gordon and Miss F Winning.

**Rainbows** (3-5 year olds)
Early Years Officer Team: Mrs L McLeod, Mrs K Rowbotham, Miss W Mackenzie, Mrs J Napier, Mrs C Philp and Miss L Chapman.

**Sunbeams** (3-5 year olds) Early Years Officer Team: Mrs N Stokes, Mrs D Robertson, Miss D Foley and Mrs S Krump.

Flexi Early Years Officer Team (offering support across the nursery): Miss A Brzezinska and Miss C Lamb

**Nursery Teacher:** Mrs S Hills
**Senior Early Years Officers:** Mrs C Connolly & Mrs M Scott

# SIMOA



Meet SIMOA!

At nursery, we use SIMOA (**S**afe **I**n **M**y **O**wn **A**bility), a tool used across Fife Early Learning and Childcare settings to help support children's safety and wellbeing. SIMOA encourages children to learn how to assess and manage risks for themselves through everyday play and experiences. By developing confidence, resilience, and decision-making skills in a safe and supportive environment, children learn how to keep themselves safe while exploring, investigating, and taking on new challenges.

Through SIMOA, we aim to help children become confident, capable learners who can make sensible choices and develop important life skills for the future.

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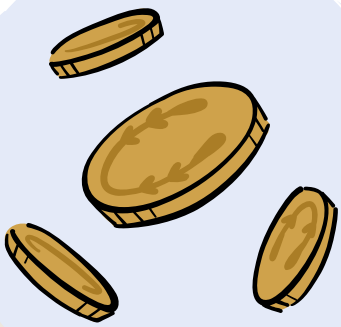


# Nursery Organisation

## Within the Nursery, we ask for your support with the following:



Within nursery we ask for a few contributions to support the nursery and to enhance the experiences we are able to offer at Burntisland ELC. We would appreciate, if you are able to, to please pay nursery contributions.
We kindly ask that these contributions are made via our online banking. A suggested amount is £1 - £2 per week. These contributions can be paid weekly or termly.



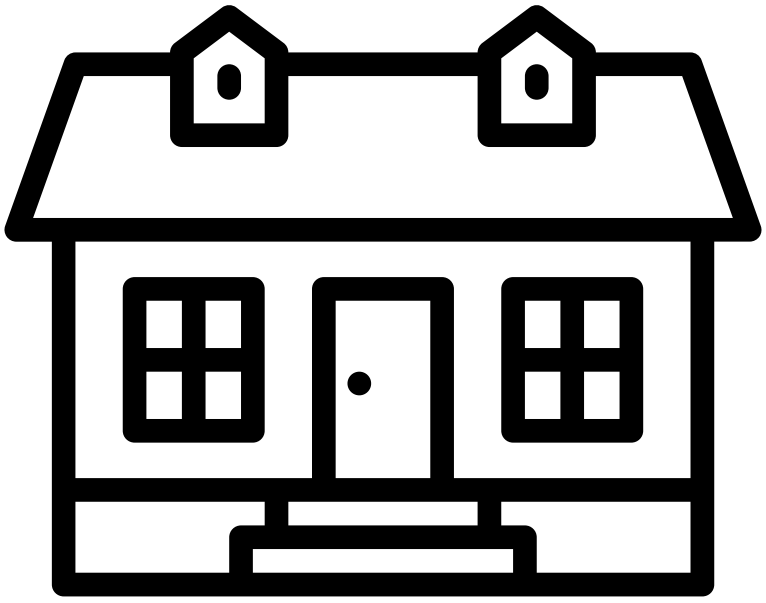
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Reference — Child's name
Account name — Burntisland Nursery School
Account number — 77236860
Sort Code - 87-68-92

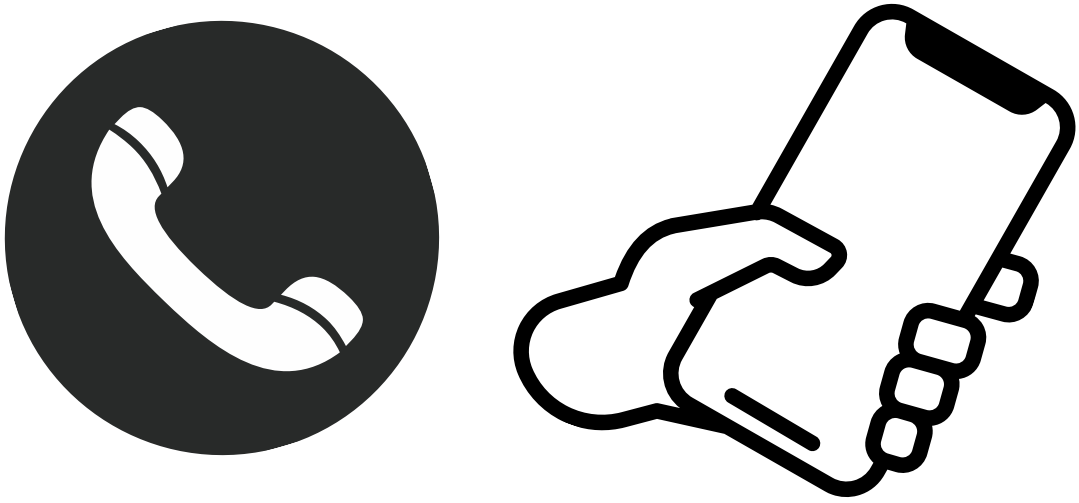




**The nursery team would kindly appreciate any donations of tissues, baby wipes or nappy sacks.**

# OUT OF HOURS NUMBER - BUNGALOW





**Please contact us (Mon—Fri) between 8.00am - 3:30pm on 01592 583414 between 3.30pm-6.00pm.**

**During school holidays call 01592 473952.**



We love to give our children daily access to the outdoors. As we have changable weather please ensure your child is dressed for a day in the garden.

# School and Nursery Photos

Rececca Lee will once again be taking pictures for us, we loved the pictures she took last year and hope you do too! The Photos will be taken on 27th and 28th October 2026.



# Have your Say



We value everyone's thoughts, opinions and suggestions and kindly ask as many parents/carers as possible to offer their input each month.

Please look out for this in the nursery foyers, staff will also kindly ask you to visit our feedback area and give your feedback.

# Question of the Moment

## Stay & Play

Did you enjoy our Stay and Play sessions?

## Learning Environment

What did you think about our learning environments?

## Learning Wall

- Did you have a chance to visit our Learning Wall?
- Did you add a comment or observation to our Learning Wall?

## We'd love to hear your feedback!

Your views are incredibly important to us and help us to continue developing a welcoming, engaging, and nurturing environment for all our children and families.

## Tell us!

Share your thoughts with us by adding a note to our Learning Wall or speaking to a member of the nursery team. We look forward to hearing from you!

# Leadership Team

Headteacher: Mrs Louise Gordon

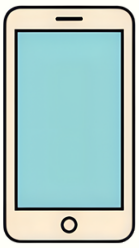
Depute Head ELC and P1: Mrs Leanne Bain

Depute Head P2-5: Miss Nat Fleming

Depute Head P6-7: Mr Will Berry

Depute Head across the school: Mrs Lucy Jess







Please note staff do not use their personal emails to contact parents. This helps us to re-direct enquiries when staff are absent or unavailable, due to teaching commitments or when out of office.

Parents should phone or use the school email to contact the person you wish to speak to or to raise a query or concern. This is also the case for any message you want to send to class teachers.

**burntislandps.enquiries@fife.gov.uk**

**01592 583414**

The answer phone will be on before 8.30am and after 3.30pm - we do check messages so feel free to also leave a voicemail.




# Diary Dates
# Rainbows and Sunbeams

WB 24th August Nature Kindergarten Begins

12th - 23rd October 2026 October Holidays

School in-service day - lasting 1 day
Fri 13 Nov 2026

23rd December 2026- 5th January 2027 Christmas School Break.

School in-service day - lasting 1 day
Wed 10 Feb 2027

11th and 12th February 2027- Holiday days

3rd May 2027 - lasting 1 day

School in-service day - lasting 1 day
6 May 2027

7 Jun 2027 Holiday - lasting 1 day

5th July - 15th August 2027 - Summer Holidays.




# Diary Dates
# Bumblebees and Butterflies

WB 31st August Nature Kindergarten Begins

49-Week Model

(Monday-Friday, 8.00-12.40 pm or 1.20-6.00 pm)

Wednesday 23rd December 2026 -
Friday 1st January 2027 Christmas Holiday

Monday 3 May 2027

Monday 19 July 2027

In-Service days (no children attend on these dates)

- Friday 13 November 2026
- Wednesday 10 February 2027
- Thursday 6 May 2027








# THINK ALLERGY

**PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT FOOD AND SNACKS BROUGHT IN TO OUR SCHOOL ARE NUT-FREE.. SOME OF OUR PUPILS AND STAFF HAVE NUT ALLERGIES.**

If your child has severe allergies, always take your usual precautions and keep their Allergy Action Plan up to date.

Thank you for your help in keeping our learning environment as safe as possible.