



August 2026 Newsletter

We would like to wish good luck to all our children moving onto Primary 1, we know you will all shine! We will be very busy as the new term starts settling all our new children and families in and we look forward to welcoming everyone.

North Ayrshire Council Early Years Review

We recently received very welcome praise and positive feedback from our two day review which was carried out by two Senior Managers, an Early Years Co-ordinator and an Early Years Head of Centre. We would like to thank all who took part in our focus groups and our parents/families for your ongoing support and input within the centre. We have included below some of the feedback we received:

- The centre benefits from highly effective leadership and a very strong staff team, who work collaboratively to create a positive, inclusive and nurturing learning community.
- A clear child-centred ethos permeates all aspects of the life and work of the centre. Children's rights, wellbeing and individual needs are at the heart of decision-making and planning. Practitioners know children very well and are sensitive, responsive and nurturing in their interactions, helping children to feel safe, respected and valued.
- The learning environment reflects the centre's strong commitment to high-quality early learning and childcare. Thoughtfully designed indoor and outdoor spaces provide rich opportunities for curiosity, creativity, exploration and sustained play. Children are encouraged to lead their learning through meaningful experiences which promote engagement, independence and enjoyment.
- Practitioners place a high value on children's views and experiences. They actively listen to children, respond thoughtfully to their interests and ideas and provide learning experiences that support participation, wellbeing and a strong sense of belonging.
- There is a strong culture of inclusion and respect across the setting. The centre's achievement of Silver Rights Respecting School status, and ongoing work towards gold accreditation, reflects the embedded commitment to children's rights and the development of a rights-based learning community.
- Overall, the centre provides a welcoming, nurturing and stimulating environment where children are supported to thrive, achieve success and develop as confident, capable learners.



As you know we use this app to share lots of pictures and videos of your child participating in a wide range of learning experiences while at the centre. If you need a copy of the QR code and instructions to access this please ask your child's keyworker or the office for another copy.

Please note the app and QR code cannot be shared with others or any content added onto any social media accounts as permission is given only for parental/ guardian access.

Exclusions for sickness

To ensure we **minimise the risk of infection**, we have a **48 hour exclusion policy** for any child who has **diarrhoea or sickness**. The **48 hours should be from the last period of sickness/diarrhoea**. This is to help minimise the spread of infection and ensure that the children and staff are well.

UNCRC Consultation

Thank you to the children and families who took part in our **UNCRC consultation**, we have **collated the votes which will determine our focus calendar for the year** and we will soon share this with you. **Our first focus will be International Day of Sign Languages for September.**

Holidays & Closures

The centre will be closed to all children on Wednesday 19th August 2026 and Monday 21st September 2026 for staff In Service Days.

A full copy of our holidays and closures for the academic year of 2026/2027 has been added to our glow page & Seesaw. [Holidays & Closures | Largs Early Years](#). If you require a **paper copy** please ask at the office.



Keeping In touch

Just a reminder if your child is going to be **absent** from the centre for any reason can we kindly ask that you contact the **centre on that day as early as you can?** The campus telephone number is 01475 **687 687**. The centre is currently **option 4**.

If any child is **absent** and the centre has not been informed the **keyworker will try to contact** you at some point throughout the day.

Weekly Fire Alarm Testing



Please note the Campus currently tests its **fire alarm every Thursday morning**. This is usually between **8.10am -8.30am**. This is usually at least **three different times** within that time period. Please note this is **only a weekly test** and staff/ children and staff should note follow the evacuation procedures at this time.

Head lice

We have had a few cases of head lice recently, please be aware of this and follow this advice from NHS if necessary:

Treat same day: Check and treat everyone in the household at the same time only if live lice are found. **Wet combing method:** Use a special fine-toothed comb with hair conditioner on wet hair. **Pharmacy treatments:** Medicated lotions or sprays are optional and available from a chemist, you should repeat this treatment after 7 days to ensure no eggs are missed.