



Lawthorn Primary School



& Early Years Class

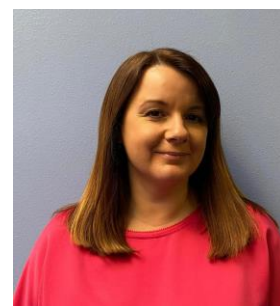
Newsletter

January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year to all our children and families! I hope everyone had a great Christmas holiday and we welcome all of our existing and new families back to a New Year at Lawthorn Primary School.

This term we welcome Miss Buchert who was the successful candidate for our temporary Depute Head Teacher post. Miss Buchert joins us with lots of experience and expertise and we are excited to welcome her to our team. I am sure that she will become a familiar and supportive figure to the children and families at Lawthorn.



Maths Open Afternoon



P1 – P7 parents are invited to drop in on **Wednesday 25th January between 1.45pm and 2.45pm** to take part in a variety of maths games and activities with your child(ren). Activities will take part in your child(ren)'s classrooms and those families with more than 1 child are welcome to move around the school to join children in each class. To minimise congestion and ensure the safety of our children, we ask that there is no more than one adult per child. Thank you for your cooperation.



Scottish Poetry Competition

We are approaching the time of year where our children will take part in our annual Scottish Poetry Competition. Your child's class poem will be sent home as homework and we encourage parents and carers to take the time to practise this with your child to help him/her understand and appreciate our culture and heritage. The winners of our school competition at the end of January will then go on to represent the school at Irvine Burns Club.

P6 Burns Supper

Our Primary 6 children are planning a Burns Supper as part of their topic for this term. They will celebrate this on the afternoon of **Wednesday 22nd February**. This year we are delighted to invite parents and carers along to the Burns' Supper and invites will be sent out in the coming weeks.



In addition to their Burns Supper, P6 children will visit Wellwood on **Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th February**. We are delighted to be able to involve our children in understanding and appreciating Robert Burns' time in Irvine.

P7 Residential Trip

Our P7 pupils will take part in a residential trip to Arran in May 2023. They will have the opportunity to take part in a wide range of outdoor activities including team building activities, climbing and orienteering. An online information session will take place on **Tuesday 24th January at 5pm** for parents of P7 children who will be attending the trip. A link will be sent to all P7 parents who wish to join.



Early Years Target Setting Meetings

Our Early Years Target Setting Meetings will take place on **WB 16th January**. Early Years Parents are invited to meet with your child's key worker to discuss your child's progress and next steps within the Early Years Class. Please speak to a member of the Early Years team if you don't yet have an appointment.

Early Years Ceilidh

Our Early Years Class will be hosting a Ceilidh on Thursday 26th January 2023. Parents will be invited to come along and join in with the singing and dancing. Times for each session are as follows:

AM: 9.15 – 10am

PM: 3.15 – 4pm

We look forward to welcoming you to our celebrations.



PEEP

Mrs Linton, our Senior Early Years Practitioner will be delivering a weekly PEEP programme for parents across our school and community, starting on Thursday 19th January from 9.15 – 10.15 or 2pm – 3pm. If you have a child aged 2-5 years old and would be interested in attending, please contact the school on 01294 224548 to register your interest.

Operation Play Outdoors

Operation Play Outdoors will be back in our school on WB 16th January. This month the focus will be on team building. Please note that the classes will be outdoors no matter what the weather and therefore please ensure children have appropriate outdoor clothing for their outdoor day. The timetable for outdoors will be as follows:

Monday	P2B P4A P7B
Tuesday (to be rescheduled due to school closure)	P2A P6B P7A
Wednesday	P3A P6A P3B PM EYC
Thursday	P1A P5B P5A
Friday	P1B P4B AM EYC



February Holiday



Our school will be closed for pupils from Friday 10th - Tuesday 14th February. We will return on Wednesday 15th February.

Dates for your diary

WB 16th January: Operation Play Outdoors & EY Target Setting Meetings

Tuesday 17th January: School closure

Thursday 19th January: PEEP parenting programme for children aged 2-5 (and weekly thereafter)

Tuesday 24th January: P7 Parents Arran Information Meeting (5pm)

Wednesday 25th January: Maths Open Afternoon (1.45 – 2.45)

Thursday 26th January: EY Ceilidh



Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th February: P6 Trip to Wellwood

Friday 10th – Tuesday 14th February: School Closure

WB 20th February: Operation Play Outdoors

Wednesday 22nd February: P6 Burns Supper

Best Wishes,
Miss Grossart
Head Teacher



Kindness

Honesty

Respect

Responsibility