

OUR LADY OF PEACE PRIMARY ELCC

MAY 2022

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY READING THIS LATEST EDITION OF OUR ELCC NEWSLETTER.

Drop Off and Collection

We are delighted to announce that parents/carers are now permitted to enter the ELCC establishment and look forward to some normality being resumed. To relieve traffic in the cloakroom area at these times, we are implementing a one-way system. Yellow, orange and green groups will be dropped off and collected from "The Hive" and all other groups from the playroom. Staff members will be on the doors all at times to direct parents to correct entrance/exit. This will enable parents to see ELCC and communicate with their child's keyworker.

Transitions

Our Nursery to School Transition Programme is now under way. The children are excited to visit their primary one class where they will go and participate in some active learning experiences. We will communicate with the Primary Schools and ensure all relevant information is passed on.

Woodlands Programme

The children were delighted to receive a visit from their Woodlands Buddies last week.

Here are some dates for your diary:

Thursday 12th May 1.30 - A tour of Woodlands Primary

Tues 17th May 1.30 - Open classroom

Tues 24th May 1.30 - Open classroom

Wed 8th June - Sports Day

Thurs 16th June: 1.15 - 2.30 Induction and Teddy Bears Picnic

OLOP Programme

From week beginning 9th of May the children will be going along to informally visit the Primary One environment every Friday afternoon till the end of term. We will facilitate this within the ELCC and a keyworker will accompany.

Here are some dates for your diary:

Thursday 26th May: Induction Day One (parents to attend with children)

Thursday 9th June: 1.30 - 2.30pm Induction Day Two ()

ELCC Graduation



The ELCC graduation for our pre-school children will be held on Friday 24th June at 9.30am. All children will be given a t-shirt in their group colour for them to wear on the day. Please ensure your child arrives at the ELCC wearing the t-shirt. Each child will be issued with two tickets as we can only accommodate a certain number of guests in the main hall, however, should you require any more, please speak to Linda or Natalie and your name will be put in the ballot for an extra ticket. During the graduation ceremony the children will receive a certificate and a school tie. After the ceremony parents are welcome to come back to the ELCC playroom or outdoor area (weather permitting) for some cake and refreshments.

In the afternoon the ELCC will be having a fun day with activities such as face painting, a bouncy castle, and some end of term treats!



Parent Conversations and Transfer of Information

Our pre-school children will receive a Transfer of Information report for moving to Primary One. Parents will be given the opportunity to read and make a comment and discuss anything they would like the Primary One teacher to know, ensuring a smooth transition from ELCC to school. Your child will also be given the opportunity to comment. The reports for children going to Woodlands Primary will be available from week beginning Monday 16th May and for children going to Our Lady of Peace Primary, week beginning Monday 6th June.

Our ante-preschool children will receive a telephone call from their child's keyworker to discuss your child's progress to date. The phone calls will take place from the week beginning Monday 13th June.

My Body Belongs to Me

The ELCC staff have undergone training in Early Protective Messages and will be implementing the guidance throughout the term and beyond. The training was part of Child Protection to support staff and parents when using language with children to name private body parts. As part of the Curriculum for Excellence it is important for children in early years to learn the correct names for body parts to ensure there is a common language that children have permission to use that is accurate. Please see the guidance booklet for further information and if you have any question please speak to Linda or Natalie.

Sun Cream

With the hopes for sunny weather in mind we ask parents/carers to **apply sun-cream to their child before coming to the ELCC**. You can leave a bottle of sun-cream in ELCC for staff to re-apply, when necessary, over the course of the day.



Pre School Visual Screening

Pre School Visual Eye Screening will take place on Tuesday 24th May in the morning. This is for our children who will be starting school in August.

Staffing Update

Gillian Rocks will continue to cover the Red Group



Toy Fund

We would like to ask all parents/carers to make a small contribution of £3 per week through ParentPay. These little extras help your child enjoy their time in nursery.



Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to everyone who has a birthday over the next few weeks. Your child will receive a birthday book and card on the day (or as close to as we can).



Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 5th May - Inservice day

Friday 6th May 1.30 - OLOP Primary Classroom visit

Thursday 12th May - School tour of Woodlands Primary

Tuesday 17th May - Woodlands Primary open classroom

Tuesday 24th May - Pre-School Eye screening

Tuesday 24th May - Woodlands Primary open classroom

Friday 27th May - Public holiday

Thursday 2nd & 3rd June - Public holidays

Wednesday 8th June - Woodlands Primary sports day

Thursday 16th June - Woodlands Primary induction

Friday 24th June - OLOP ELCC Graduation & Fun day

Tuesday 28th June - OLOP ELCC 1pm closure



Feedback

At OLOP ELCC we are committed to continuous improvement and we welcome any suggestions or feedback that you may have. Please click on this link to ask any questions or give us feedback or suggestions.

<https://forms.office.com/r/pXjK4WXdVs>