

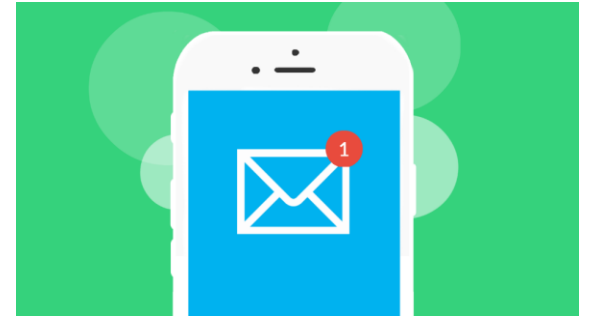


# Barassie PS and EYC



**August Family Update**

# Message from Mrs Fleming



Welcome back to a new year at Barassie. I hope everyone had an enjoyable break over the Summer and is looking forward to being back at EYC and school seeing their friends.

We have had a busy and successful first few days back with the children and have welcomed many new families to our community.

If you are new to Barassie, we are very much looking forward to working with you and your family.

This session we have welcomed Miss Nally to our teaching staff. Miss Nally is the Class Teacher for P7b.

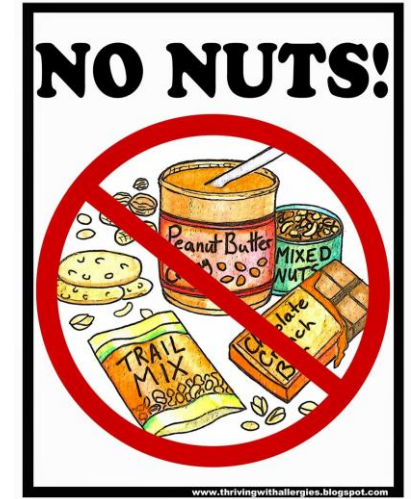
You will find important dates for the year on the calendar on our website which can be accessed [here](#). Please note this will be updated with new dates added as they arise and that dates are subject to change. Many are already there for you to add to your diary.

Kind regards,

*Mrs Fleming*

# Nut Free School and EYC

We are a nut free school and EYC.



If your child brings a snack or lunch containing nuts it will be removed from them by a member of school staff and an alternative will be offered.

We appreciate your cooperation with this as it helps us to keep all children safe at school and EYC.

# Lunch Menus



You can view South Ayrshire school lunch menus on our website or by following the link below:

[Primary schools menu - South Ayrshire Council \(south-ayrshire.gov.uk\)](https://south-ayrshire.gov.uk/primary-schools-menu)

[Early Years Centres menu - South Ayrshire Council \(south-ayrshire.gov.uk\)](https://south-ayrshire.gov.uk/early-years-centres-menu)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Starter	Lentil soup	Red pepper & tomato soup	Lentil soup	Chicken & rice soup	Lentil soup
Main courses and veg	Tasty protein power balls with tomato sauce & spaghetti Golden cheese & tomato pizza Diced garlic & herb potatoes Sweetcorn	Fishy plant based sausage roll & Potato wedges Home-made chicken curry & vegetable rice Mixed vegetables Baked beans	Greeny mas & cheese & garlic bread Hearty onion and potato Baby carrots & peas	Golden spiced nuggets Traditional steak pie Marinated potato Peas	Flan & chips Rustic sausage & garlic bread Peas Baked beans
Baked potato	Baked beans Cheese	Tuna mayo Baked beans Cheese	Baked beans Cheese	Turkey Baked beans Cheese	Baked beans Cheese
Sweet	Apple crumble Custard Fruit	Yoghurt Fruit	Raspberry jelly Fruit	Apple & raspberry sponge Custard Fruit	Yoghurt Fruit
Sandwich	Cheese	Tuna mayo	Cheese	Turkey	Cheese
Sundries	Milk Water	Milk Water	Milk Water	Milk Water	Milk Water

Salad bar available daily

# Free School Meal and Clothing Grants

Free School Meal/Clothing Grant applications for 2025/26 are available here - : [Educational grants - South Ayrshire Council \(south-ayrshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/educational-grants)

The Scottish Government have committed to providing a free school meal to all P1 to P5 pupils, however we are requesting that parents/carers who meet the eligibility criteria submit an application as this information will be used to pay free school meal payments during school holiday periods.

Please note that Clothing Grant eligibility criteria is now in line with the Criteria for Free School Meals. Information can be found using the link above.

If you need help with your application, you can call 0300 123 0900 to speak to a customer service advisor.

Children in P6 and P7 are charged 35p for milk.

Please note that applications need to be completed each school year and do not automatically continue.

**You must apply each year.**

# Easyfundraising

Our Parent Council are registered for Easyfundraising.



Easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

To sign up and start fundraising for our cause (Barassie Primary Parent Council) click the image above for more information.

# Feel-Good Friday – P1-P7



Feel Good Friday dates for this session are:

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June



On a Feel-Good Friday classes will have a focus day on aspects of the Health and Wellbeing curriculum and our Meta-Skills. Children are invited to come to school in comfortable clothing and shoes as they may be exploring the outdoors or be more active on this day.

# Learning Journals/Seesaw



The platform we use at Barassie to share your child's learning at school, for you to share their achievements from home and for families to communicate directly with class teachers/keyworkers is changing. We have paused use of Learning Journals as we will be moving back to using Seesaw in the very near future.

We will share login details for Seesaw as soon as we can. In the meantime, please direct all communication via the school office.

Messages to report absences or to request meetings should **always** be made by email or telephone to the school office and not through Seesaw.

Email: [barassie.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:barassie.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk)

Telephone: 01292 690072





# Dressing for the Weather in P1-P7

Please ensure children are appropriately dressed for the weather.

As you know, our weather in Barassie can be unpredictable at times. If you would like to send in some wellies for your child to store in the cloakroom to access when required that is no problem.

**There's no such thing  
as bad weather,  
only inappropriate  
clothing.**



# Mobile Phones



As outlined in our school handbook we do not encourage children to bring mobile phones to school.

If your child requires their phone for before and after school, we expect this to stay in their school bag or to be handed into the school office for safe keeping.

Devices brought to school are the child's responsibility.

Any child found using their phone in school will have it placed in the school office and their parent/carer will be contacted to collect it at the end of the school day.

We would appreciate the support of parents/carers with this and would ask that any communication with your child during the school day is done via the office and not via their personal device.

# Parents Portal

[parentsportal.scot](https://parentsportal.scot)

We require all parents/carers to sign up to Parents Portal. The annual data check and consents are completed via this system.

We cannot take children out of the school without their annual consent being completed and would ask that this is completed as a matter of urgency.

If you would like help accessing the system please contact the school office.

# Women's Group

Thriving Communities Women's Group are meeting weekly in Troon for 2 hours.

If you would like a space or for more information, please contact [catherine.busby@south-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:catherine.busby@south-ayrshire.gov.uk)

Attendance is free!

Activities include; chat, company, new connections, crafts, aromatherapy, health, music, cooking, baking, guest speakers, support, bingo and more.



# Short Wellbeing Workshops in Troon

This course is designed to help you build simple, sustainable habits to support your physical, mental and emotional wellbeing.

For more information please email [catherine.busby@south-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:catherine.busby@south-ayrshire.gov.uk)



# Bookbug and Family Library

Debbie will continue leading Bookbug for parent/carers to attend with children aged 0-3 on a Friday afternoon from 2pm – 2:30pm.

Bookbug will start on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September.**



# Can you Share your Skills with us?



We are keen to develop our community involvement to support and enhance children's learning across the curriculum.

If you have skills you would be willing to share with us and are keen to be involved in the life of the school by working with a class or a small group as part of an extra curricular club, please let us know through completion of a short survey by [clicking here.](#)

# School Car Park

Please refrain from using the school and EYC car parks for dropping off and collecting children at the start and end of the school day.

School and EYC car parks are strictly for staff, blue badge holders and visitors.

Thank you for helping keep all children safe on their way to and from school.



**NO  
VEHICLE  
ENTRY**

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# Communication



Please inform the office of any changes to telephone numbers, home addresses or email addresses to ensure you can be contacted and to receive regular communication from us.

Day to day communication with class teachers will take place through Seesaw (once this is up and running). Teachers will respond at appropriate times to messages but please be aware these are not monitored out with working hours and be mindful that teachers are most likely teaching the class for large parts of the school day.

Information about absences, meeting/telephone requests or appointments should continue to be reported to the school office.

When requesting a meeting about your child, please do so with their class teacher in the first instance.

At times, there is only one member of our clerical team in the office. As they have other duties to undertake throughout the school your call may not always be answered. If this is the case, please use the voicemail option and someone will get back to you.

# Contact Us

[School Website](#)

X @Barassie\_PS  
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