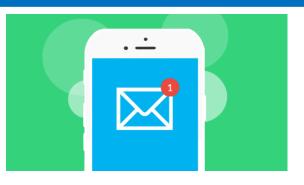


Barassie PS and EYC



December Family Update

Message from Mrs Fleming



As we approach the festive holiday, I'd like to take the opportunity to thank you for your support across our school and EYC this session so far. It has been fantastic to see many familiar faces at our events this term. The number of you who have commented on the sense of community these events bring is exactly why we do it. The strong sense of community at Barassie does not go unnoticed!

On behalf of the team, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year when it comes. I hope you all have a good break and manage to spend time with family and friends.

We look forward to seeing you on **Monday 5th January** for Term 3 and all that 2026 has to offer.

Kind regards,

Mrs Fleming

P1-P3 Nativity



This year we are having our Nativity on **Wednesday 17th December.**

All children in P1-P3 will be performing in the Nativity.

Doors will open for the Nativity at 12:45pm. The performance will be finished by 1:30pm.

Donations to our school charity Dr Graham's Homes in Kalimpong, India are welcomed and can be made on the day.

P4-P7 Festive Concert



This year we are having a Festive Concert on **Wednesday 17th December.**

All children in P4-P7 will be learning songs to share with you at our concert in aid of Dr Graham's Homes in Kalimpong, India.

P1-P3 will share some songs from their Nativity performance for you to enjoy too!

The concert starts at 2pm with doors opening at 1:45pm.

Donations to our school charity Dr Graham's Homes in Kalimpong, India are welcomed and can be made on the day.

Pantomime P1-P7



This year P1-P7 will enjoy a production of 'The Wizard of Oz' in school on Friday 19th December at 1:15pm.

There is no cost for children to attend this performance.

Thank you to The Parent Council for funding this event and for the special ice cream treats to enjoy!

It will be a wonderful way to close for the holidays!



Parent Council



Date of next meeting: Wednesday 11th February at 6:30pm



Last call for calendars. Please click here to order by Friday

19th December for January

collection.

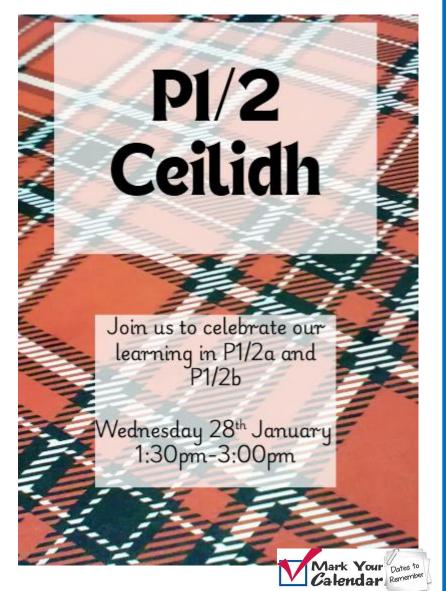


P1/2 Sharing the Learning

P1/2a and P1/2b would like to invite you to a Ceilidh on Wednesday 28th January 2026 from 1:30pm-3pm.

Please click here to RSVP!



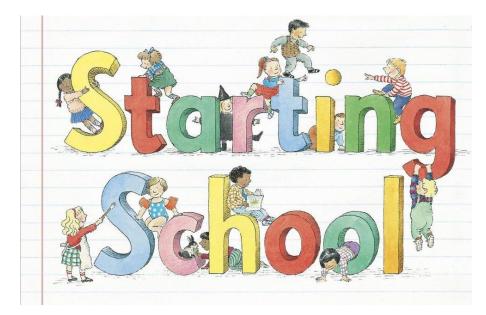


PRIMARY 1 REGISTRATION - SESSION 2026-2027

Children whose 5th birthday is between 1 March 2026 and 28 February 2027 should be registered for education during the week commencing Monday 12 January 2026.

You should register your child online for either your catchment denominational or non-denominational primary school between **Monday 12 January and Sunday 18 January**. During the on-line registration process you will be asked to attach your child's birth certificate and two items of proof of residence in the catchment area, for example Council Tax Notice, Utility Bill, etc.

Further information on making a placing request was communicated in the letter shared with families.



Click here to register from 12th January 2026

We will be having an open afternoon at Barassie PS for families who are registering their child for P1 on **Thursday 8th January between 3:30pm and 4:30pm**.

Christmas Fair



Thank you for supporting our fair.

We raised a fantastic £1653 for our school and EYC funds.



Promoting Positive Behaviour



Thank you for supporting us in addressing the increase in low level disruptive behaviours we have seen across the school.

The changes we have trialled, as communicated in our letter to families on 1st December, are having a positive impact across the school.

Children are responding positively and appear motivated by the enhanced recognition given to those who are consistently displaying our school values of ambition, creativity, honesty, kindness and respect, and following our rules of ready, respectful and safe.

Thank you for your continued support!

Early Closure



Please note that school closes at 2:30pm on Friday 19th December for the holidays.

Parents and carers with children in Early Years are welcome to collect children at 2:30pm, as we understand that many have siblings/family members in EYC. The Early Years Centre remains open until 3pm.

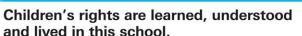


December's Rights of the Month





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Feel-Good Friday – P1-P7



Feel Good Friday dates for this session are:

Friday 30th January

Friday 27th February

Friday 27th March

Friday 24th April

Friday 29th May

Friday 26th 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.

Easyfundraising

Our Parent Council are registered for Easyfundraising.



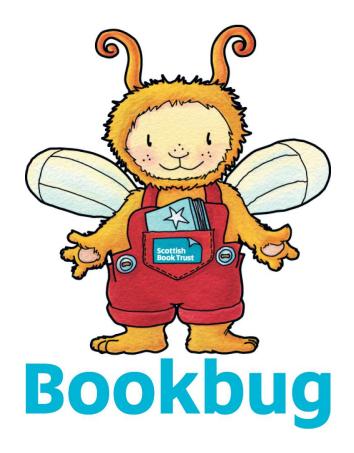
Easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

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

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.

Please note there will be no Bookbug on the last Friday of each month.





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)

<u>Early Years Centres menu - South Ayrshire Council (south-ayrshire.gov.uk)</u>



Free School Meal and Clothing Grants

Free School Meal/Clothing Grant applications for 2025/26 are available here - : <u>Educational grants - South Ayrshire Council (south-ayrshire.gov.uk)</u>

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.

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.



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. 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. Please note that Mrs Mills and Mrs Fleming do not monitor their messages on Seesaw. All messages for them should go via the school office.

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





barassie.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk