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Dear Parents and Carers



Welcome to another Friday Round Up.



To start off this week's Round Up, I am sad to say that we had an incident at our pedestrian crossing last week which could have ended in a tragedy as a car failed to stop at the crossing, despite the red light and the green man!! A pupil was on the crossing at the time and narrowly avoided being hit by the car. We can reach out to our school and local community as much as we can, but we don't reach those drivers who are not linked to our school and who are passing through Coylton from other areas.

I have been in touch with the family, with South Ayrshire Council and with Ayrshire Roads Alliance. Today, we also had a visit from Police Scotland in relation to the incident. They are also going to liaise with Ayrshire Roads Alliance as we would like to see some sort of signage to indicate to drivers that they are in a school area, with flashing lights in operation at drop off and pick up times. I hope that I will be able to let you know of a resolution very soon. In the meantime, I am sure that all families will remain vigilant and will be considerate of pupils using the pedestrian crossing.



### Early Years Registration

Registration for Early Years in South Ayrshire opens on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and closes on 9<sup>th</sup> March. South Ayrshire children have access to 1140 hours of funded early learning and childcare. Children who turn 3 between March – August 2025 are eligible to start in August 2025. Children who turn 3 between September 2025 - February 2026 are eligible to start the week after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday.

Information can also be found on South Ayrshire Council's website here:-

[Register for Early Learning and Childcare - South Ayrshire Council](#)

Please find link to admissions video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QOT9Sx3BPPA>



## Parent/Carer Appointments

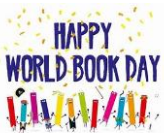
Our next round of Parent/Carer Appointments take place in school on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March. Bookings will be online via Parents Portal and which is now live!

Annual progress reports will go home to parents and carers ahead of Parent Appointments this year, in order that you can discuss them with your child's teacher. The report that comes home this year will show progress levels as they are in Term 3, and not end of year. Teachers still have a whole term of teaching to deliver which means a whole term of progress to make 😊. Teachers will explain this further at appointments.



## Charity Book Sale

Primary 2/3 will hold their Charity Book Sale today, with all funds raised going to Whiteley's Retreat, a local charity! Thanks go to everyone who donated to this worthwhile cause! We will be sure to let you know how much they raised 😊



## World Book Day

It was fantastic to see so many family members come into school to join in the literacy learning yesterday afternoon. We hope that you enjoyed having the chance to pop in and see the learning in action, as well as have a look around the classrooms.



## Comic Relief 2025

This year, Comic Relief is on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Our Pupil Council have identified this day as one that they would like the school and EYC to participate in. It is 40 years since the very first Comic Relief fundraiser took place, and so the Pupil Council invite everyone in school and EYC to wear red OR dress as though they were in 1985 😊😊😊 (I remember it well!!!)

In addition, they are holding a Bake Sale for all classes to come along and buy a sweet treat to have at break or lunch. All classes will have an allocated time slot to purchase a cake

and.....this year, we would love to have our parents and carers pop in too! Mrs Duncan's classroom will be open to parents between 9:15 and 10:00 to come along and purchase a cake. Pupils from P5 will be on hand to help with the selection. Pupils from P5 will also be on hand to escort parents along to the GP room where we will offer a complimentary cup of tea or coffee to wash down your cake. We would love to see as many of you as can make it along on the day.

The Pupil Council are also looking for donations of baking in advance of the sale. Any donations can be handed in from Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March to the school office, and we will have a designated drop off area for anyone who would like to make a donation at Parent Appointments on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March. WE MUST ASK THAT NO ITEMS OF HOME BAKING CONTAIN NUTS. We are aware of children with allergies and so teachers will be on hand to help them select something appropriate for them.



### P3 Egyptian Showcase

Pupils in Miss McDonald's P3 class are working really hard to learn all about life in Ancient Egypt. They would love to invite families into their class on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April from 2:15 – 3:00 to show off all their amazing work. Look out for more information coming soon!



### Daffodil Tea

As part of transition to P1, we are delighted to say that our pre-school children and our P1 children are going to join together to hold a Daffodil Tea where their families can come along to school and enjoy some coffee and cake whilst the children entertain them. This event is still at the planning stage so for now, save the date – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 2pm.

More information will follow.



### Outdoor Classroom request – advance notice

Parents/carers of pupils from P4-7 are invited to partner with their child/children in the morning of Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> of April to help with building and carpentry activities in our outdoor classroom. We are looking for some creativity and carpentry skills to help us plan and build some secure storage for our outdoor resources using some pallets that have been donated. Materials, (wood and screws will be provided) and a battery-operated drill/screwdriver and a saw are available too. We have other odd jobs that need to be undertaken too; resetting one of the benches, setting a weather station into the ground using post-setting concrete; and addressing the need to deter people from accessing the roof. With your and your child's/children's help, we can work together to improve the space and make it more secure for the future. Please email the school office to note your interest or require further details.



## News from the EYC (provided by Nicola 😊)

We celebrated World Book Day on Thursday with the whole school. We had the cutest little owl from the book Owl Babies come share her lovely story with us. We shared stories with our friends, independently selecting our own books and recreating parts of the story. We're Going on a Bear Hunt using playdough. Parent/carers of children in the 2-3 room are invited to a Stay and Play session on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March at drop off. Just ask Lynn and Becca for more details.



In the 3-5 room this week we celebrated Pancake Tuesday by making our own pancakes. The children measured out all the ingredients and used the hot plate to cook them. The children then ate their pancakes at snack and added a little butter and jam, they were delicious! Thank you to all our parent/carers who came in and read stories to the children for World Book Day a great time was had by all, your support is very much appreciated.

Our final PEEP session of this term took place on Wednesday. The children explored their favourite stories and made their very own puppets. Look out for more PEEP sessions in the summer term. Parent carers of the 3-5 room are invited to our STEM Stay and Play session on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm, we look forward to seeing you there.



## Diary Dates

We will try and give as much advance notice of school events as we can to help fit in with your family plans. This list is subject to change and is not exhaustive.

Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	P2/3 Charity Book Sale
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	British Science Week
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Annual Reports home to Parents
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Appointments
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Comic Relief Bake Sale
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	P3 Egyptian Showcase for parents 2:15 – 3:00
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Parents as partners – Outdoor Classroom Daffodil Tea for Pre school and P1 families – 2pm

Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	School closes at 2:30 for holidays
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	School Reopens
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Holiday
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Holiday
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	In Service – School and EYC closed
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	EYC to PI Transition 1
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	School Sports Morning
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	P4-7 Championship events
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	EYC Sports morning
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	EYC to PI Transition 2
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	P5 and 6 Triathlon Event
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	EYC Parent Appointments
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 to SI Transition 1 Parent Drop In 3:15-5:15
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 to SI Transition 2 EYC to PI Transition 3 Whole School Bump Up
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	P6&7 The Greatest Showman - evening
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	P6&7 The Greatest Showman - afternoon
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Leavers service EYC Tie Ceremony P7 Leavers Disco - evening
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Treat Day
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Close for holidays at 1pm