



Daily Primary Newsletter

September 2024



Meet the Staff

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers into school next week for our first open morning of the session on Thursday 19th September. All Parents/Carers will be welcome to join us anytime between 9.15 and 11.45. Parents/Carers can move freely between classes during this time, supporting their child with the planned activities, having a look at their work and engaging with the teaching and support staff. We will be providing tea, coffee and a breakfast roll from 10.30-10.45 to allow the children time to go out for their break.

Harvest Service

Our Harvest Service will take place in Dailly Parish Church on Monday 7th October at 9.30am. EYC to P1-3 will be singing some Harvest songs and P4-7 will be sharing their Samba drumming which they have just started to learn with Mrs Gibson. Following the service at the Church Parents and Carers are invited to come back to the school for a cup of tea or coffee and have a look at the Scholastic Book Fair.

Scholastic Book Fair



Children and Parents will be able to browse over 200 of the books children really want to read, from award-winners and new releases to beloved favourites and bestsellers, all at amazing prices. Plus, for every book bought, you help to **earn free books for our school!**

The Scholastic Book Fair will be in school from 7th to 23rd October and the children will all get the opportunity to visit the Book Fair with their class and select books that they like for their 'Wish list'. Parents/carers are welcome to pop into look at the books any morning between 9.00-10.30 or by contacting the school to arrange a time so that staff can be available to help. It will also be available during Parents' night on 23rd October.

[Book Fair Parents Hub - Scholastic Book Fairs](#)

Harvest and Halloween

Costume Recycle

We are looking for donations of Halloween costumes which we will recycle by encouraging children and families to come in and choose a 'new to them' Halloween costume. Each year families purchase and /or make Halloween costumes which by the following year they have outgrown. The costumes will be displayed on hanging rails in the foyer /Community room for families to come in and have a look. We will also post on facebook any new arrivals and people can let us know if they would like that costume.

Harvest parcels

As part of our Harvest Celebrations, we are looking for donations of non-perishable foodstuffs such as soup, tinned vegetables, biscuits, pasta and cereal. We will be making up some harvest parcels which will be distributed to senior citizens within Dailly on **Thursday 31st October**. The children will be delivering the parcels in their Halloween costumes and will entertain the senior citizens with a Halloween trick, joke or poem. This was a huge success last year instead of delivering the parcels prior to the October holidays.

We are inviting children and families to nominate an elderly family member, neighbour or friend who lives in Dailly and would appreciate a harvest gift from the school. Please send your nominations to dailly.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

Any donations of non-perishable food stuffs should be sent to the school by **Monday 28th October** to give us time to make up the parcels. *If you are available to help make up the parcels on Wednesday 30th Oct and /or deliver them on Thursday 31st October, please contact the school.*



Harvest competitions

Each child will be making a Harvest card and there will be prizes awarded for the best Harvest cards in each class. A card will be put into each parcel for the senior citizens of Dailly.

We are also going to be running again a Scarecrow /Guy Fawkes competition where we are inviting families to make any size of scarecrow or guy using old clothes, hats, straw, pillows, etc. The theme is Halloween so we want Scary Scarecrows and Gruesome Guys. All entries will be displayed in the windows in the school hall and be part of the decorations for the Halloween parties. Each entry will receive a Halloween treat and the

winners will be given some Halloween goodies. Each class will also be making a Scarecrow or Guy and these will be on display in the church for the Harvest service.

The Scary Scarecrows and Gruesome Guys should be brought into school on Tuesday 22nd October. This allows families time during the holidays to make them.

Halloween Disco and parties

We are holding a Halloween disco on **Tuesday 29th October from 5.00pm to 7.00pm** in the school hall for P1-7 pupils. The children will be provided with a burger and juice. The children are encouraged to dress up and there will be fun activities arranged. **Tickets for the event Disco will be £1 and are available from the school.**

On **Thursday 31st October** all children can come to school dressed in their Halloween outfits. During the morning the children will go around the village delivering Harvest parcels and performing a small Halloween trick, poem or song for the to the senior citizens. In the afternoon the children will be able to enjoy fun interhouse Halloween activities.

Children in Need

Children in Need Day is on **Friday 15th November 2024**. In school we will be organising fun activities for all pupils to take part in. On the day the children we will be having a non-uniform day and children are encouraged to come to school dressed in yellow or spotty or wearing their pyjamas in return for a £1 donation towards Children in Need.

We have ordered ears, wrist bands and badges which will be on sale in school next term. *Order forms will be sent out for pre-order.*



Christmas Fayre

The Christmas Fayre will be taking place on **27th November from 4.00- 6.00pm**. The Parent Partnership have booked Santa's Grotto and a visit from the Reindeer. The children will be able to visit the reindeer in the afternoon and then any families who wish to visit the reindeer can do so at the fayre in the evening. We are selling tables for anyone wishing a stall at £10 a table and this year we will have access to wifi for public use so that people can use contactless to purchase items from the stall holders. Please contact the school office.

Gaiety Pantomime



Our trip to the Gaiety Theatre to see Cinderella will take place on **Thursday 12th December 2024**. All pupils in Primary 1 to Primary 7 will have the opportunity to go along and enjoy the show. We are subsidising the cost of the panto and the transport through fundraising efforts.

The parental contribution per pupil will be £10 which is a greatly reduced price as the tickets are £12 plus the cost of transport which is approximately £8 per pupil.. The school will subsidise the cost through fund raising next term. Parents can pay for the pantomime through the online school payment system ParentPay. Families with 3 or more children will pay a reduced cost and will be contacted separately.

P5-7 Residential

We have booked the residential visit for Primary 5-7 this year to Lockerbie Manor in Dumfries and Galloway. This will take place from **19th to 21st February** and will cost £174 per pupil. They will be sleeping in wooden camping pods for up to 4 children each. The purpose of this is to allow them to pursue a wide range of outdoor activities as well as encouraging team building and leadership skills. We intend to work with the children to engage in a variety of fundraising activities including a sponsored walk to raise funds to ensure that it is affordable for all children who wish to attend. More details will be sent out to P5-7 parents in due course.

[Lockerbie Manor Activity Centre Scotland \(manoradventure.com\)](http://manoradventure.com)



Parent Partnership

Office Bearers :-

Chairperson

Stuart Briggs (P4 Parent)

Secretary

Fiona Matthews (P5 Parent)

Treasurer

Jan Vance (P6 Parent)

The current members are:

Pamela Donnelly, Laura Dorans. Emma Kirk, Kelly Fyfe, Christine Ross, Lynda Connelly and Lorna Gillies-Woods.

All parents/carers are welcome to attend the meetings or pass on any information to one of the office bearers which can then be shared with the Parents Partnership group. We are always looking for new members so please come along or contact the school for more information.

Parent Partnership funding

At Dailly Fete in May the Parent Partnership had a raffle stall and raised £229.

The Sponsored Walk up the Byne hill raised an amazing £1032. We are now receiving donations from the weekly bonus ball from the Dailly Store and have recently received £150. Since starting the Bonus Ball in December 2023 we have raised £921.

The Parent Partnership are covering the costs of the Reindeer visit and Santa's Grotto at the Christmas Fayre from their fundraising efforts.

Attendance – Every Learner Every Day !

In South Ayrshire we know that going to school is a great way to prepare children and young people for the future. We've launched the 'Every Learner, Every Day' campaign to highlight the benefits of going to school, such as having fun with friends, learning about the world, and developing life skills.

South Ayrshire young people have been appearing in adverts and posters to help encourage attendance and highlight positive experiences at schools within South Ayrshire. You can view a video advert starring pupils below: [Add link to video Every Learner Every Day - South Ayrshire Council \(south-ayrshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk)

Our current overall attendance for the school is 97% and EYC 93.64%.

I understand that children cannot be at school when they are unwell but we have a few children who have regular unexplained days off.

We also have a number of families choosing to take their children out of school and on holiday during term time. This is extremely disruptive to your child's learning and results in them requiring a lot of support in order to catch-up on lost learning experiences.



Parking

We are experiencing a lot of traffic parked in front of the school at pick-up and drop-off times. The majority of our children live in the village and should be able to walk to and from school. I would encourage all children and parents to be walking, cycling or scooting to school.

There are clear white and yellow lines marked in front of the school and parents should not under any circumstances be parking on these lines. They are for access for emergency services and for the safety of the children entering and leaving the building. We will be putting cones along the lines to ensure that parents observe this and I would appreciate your cooperation on this matter.

Asda App

Between 2nd September and 30th November customers who shop with Asda using their reward app can choose a primary school to donate 0.5% of the value of their spend to. Plus for every customer who chooses Dailly Primary, Asda will put £1 into our cashpot. To take part sign-up using the QR code below or at parentkind.org/cashpot-for-schools



Feedback – we appreciate your comments or suggestions

Please e-mail any feedback to: dailly.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

We are also always looking for new ideas and ways to improve the learning experiences for your child so please e-mail any helpful comments.



DAILY PRIMARY - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



(Updated each term)

Term	Dates	Events
1	Thurs 19 th Sept	Parents open morning (Breakfast) - Meet the Staff
	Fri 20 th and Mon 23 rd	HOLIDAY
	Wk beg. 24 th Sep	Maths Week
		EYC Care Plan meetings
	Wed 25 th Sep.	Class Photos Tempest
	Thurs 26 th Sept	Selection of work sent home to parents
	Fri 27 th Sep	P2-4 Outdoor Learning 11.00-2.00pm
	Wk beg. 30 th Sep	Class pages on BLOG updated
	Thurs 3 rd Oct	Parent Partnership meeting 9.00am
		P5/4 ACE day
	Friday 4 th Oct	EYC + P1 Forest Schools All Day / P5-7 Outdoor Learning 12.00-2.30pm
	Wk beg. 7 th Oct	Book Fair arrives in school
	Mon 7 th Oct	Harvest Service - Dailly Parish Church
		Class Scarecrows and cards completed for Church service
	Fri 11 th Oct	P2-4 Outdoor Learning 11.00-2.00pm
Mon 14 th to Fri 18 th Oct	Holidays	

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2	Mon 21 st Oct	Inservice Day 3
	Tues 22 nd Oct	Halloween Competition entries - Individual and Family Scarecrows or Guys brought into school for display in the hall
	Wed 23 rd Oct	Parents' appointments P1-7 (3.30-8.30pm) (including Staged Intervention Plans Oct to Jan) Pupils' work available at Parents' night (All pupils)
	Thurs 24 th Oct	P7/6 ACE day
	Fri 25 th Oct	EYC + P1 Forest Schools All Day / P5-7 Outdoor Learning 12.00-2.30pm
	Sun 27 th Oct	Lantern parade Girvan
	Tues 29 th Oct	Halloween Disco in school - 5-7pm
	Thur 31 st Oct	Trick and Treat (Harvest parcels delivered to Senior Citizens) am Halloween interhouse events pm
	Friday 1 st Nov	P2-4 Outdoor Learning 11.00-2.00pm
	Wed 6 th Nov	PEEP session 1 EYC (Parents and Carers to attend)
	Fri 8 th Nov	EYC + P1 Forest Schools All Day / P5-7 Outdoor Learning 12.00-2.30pm
	Sun 10 th	Remembrance Service
	Mon 11 th Nov	Remembrance Day
	Wed 13 th Nov	PEEP session 2 EYC (Parents and Carers to attend)
	Thurs 14 th Nov	Parent Partnership meeting 9.00am
	Fri 15 th Nov	Children in Need
	Wk beg. 18 th Nov	Scottish Book Week
	Wed 20 th Nov	PEEP session 3 EYC (Parents and Carers to attend)
	Fri 22 nd Nov	P2-4 Outdoor Learning 11.00-2.00pm
	Wed 27 th Nov	PEEP session 4 EYC (Parents and Carers to attend)
		Christmas Fayre and reindeer visit
	Week beg. 2 nd Dec	Class pages on BLOG updated
		Advent raffle begins
	W beg 9 th Dec	Newsletter issued
	Wed 11 th Dec	Christmas lunch - Parents/Carers invited

Thurs 12 th Dec	Interim Tracking Report 1 issued to Parents/Carers Panto Gaiety - Mother Goose
Fri 13 th Dec	EYC and P1-3 Nativity and end of term service
Wk beg. 16 th Dec	Christmas parties
Fri 19 th Dec	Schools Close 2.30pm
Mon 23 Dec to Fri 3 rd Jan	HOLIDAY
	EYC - Christmas outing to see Santa details to be confirmed

Term	Dates	Events
3	Wk beg. 6 th January	Scottish Curricular focus begins 4 weeks
	Thurs 9 th Jan	Parent Partnership meeting 9.00am
	Fri 17 th Jan	EYC + P1 Forest Schools All Day / P5-7 Outdoor Learning 12.00-2.30pm
	Fri 24 th Jan	P2-4 Outdoor Learning 11.00-2.00pm
	Wk beg 27 th Jan	Poetry and Scots' work judging
	Tues 28 th Jan	Burns' themed lunch
	Fri 31 st Jan	Scottish Assembly and Presentation of certificates
	Wed 5 th Feb	Scottish afternoon for parents
	Fri 7 th Feb	EYC + P1 Forest Schools All Day / P5-7 Outdoor Learning 12.00-2.30pm
	Mon 10 th Feb	HOLIDAY
	Tuesday 11 th Feb	INSERVICE Day 4
	Wk beg 12 th Feb	Class pages on BLOG updated
	Wed 12 th Feb	PEEP Block 2 Session 1 (EYC)
	Fri 14 th Feb	P2-4 Outdoor Learning 11.00-2.00pm
	Wk beg.17 th Feb	Newsletter issued EYC Care Plan meetings
	Wed 26 th Feb	PEEP Block 2 Session 2 (EYC)
	Wed 19 th to Fri 21 st Feb	P5-7 Residential
	Fri 21 st Feb	EYC + P1 Forest Schools All Day
	Wed 26 th February	Parents' appointments P1-7 (3.30-8.30pm) (including sharing Staged Intervention Plans Feb to May) Pupils' work available at Parents' night (All pupils)
	Fri 26 th Feb	PEEP Block 2 Session 3 (EYC)
	Fri 28 th Feb	P2-4 Outdoor Learning 11.00-2.00pm
	Wed 5 th March	PEEP Block 2 Session 4 (EYC)
	Thurs 6 th March	Parent Partnership meeting 9,00am
	Fri 7 th March	World Book Day
	Wed 12 th March	Science Centre trip P1-7
	Thursday 13 th March	Interim Tracking Report 2 issued to Parents/Carers
	Fri 14 th March	Parents Open Day - Science, Maths and Literacy (Outdoors)
	Wed 26 th and Thurs 27 th March	P4-7 School Show
	Wed 2 nd April	Easter service Daily Parish Church
	Fri 4 th April	School Closes 2.30pm
	Holidays	Monday 7 th to Monday 21 st April



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4	Mon 21 st April	HOLIDAY
	Thurs 24 th April	Parent Partnership meeting 9.00am
	Fri 25 th April	EYC + P1 Forest Schools All Day / P5-7 Outdoor Learning 12.00-2.30pm
	Wk beg. 28 th April	Class pages on BLOG updated
	Fri 2 nd May	P2-4 Outdoor Learning 11.00-2.00pm
	Mon 5 th May	HOLIDAY
	Week beg 6 th May	Newsletter issued
	Thurs 8th May	Selection of work sent home to parents P1 Induction Day for Parents Carers Day 1
	Fri 9 th May	EYC + P1 Forest Schools All Day / P5-7 Outdoor Learning 12.00-2.30pm
	Wk beg. 12 th May	Interhouse events and P6+7 Championships to begin.
	Thurs 15 th May	P1 Induction Day 2 and parents' lunch
	Fri 16 th May	P2-4 Outdoor Learning 11.00-2.00pm
	Fri 23 rd May	EYC + P1 Forest Schools All Day / P5-7 Outdoor Learning 12.00-2.30pm
	Mon 26 th May	HOLIDAY
	Tues 27 th May	INSERVICE Day 5
	Wed 28 th May	Sports Day - am or pm (If inclement weather it will take place on next available dry day.
	Thurs 29th May	Final Report issued (including sharing Staged Intervention Plans June to Sep)
	Fri 30 th May	P2-4 Outdoor Learning 11.00-2.00pm
	Wk beg. 2 nd June	EYC Care Plan meetings
	Wed 4 th June	Parent' meeting 3.00-6.00pm (Optional) to discuss report CTs/PST to share Staged Intervention plans June to Sept with Parents/Carer
	Tues 10 th / Wed 11 th	P7/S1 Transition Days
	Wed 11 ^h June	Bump up Day (Pre-school to P6)
	Thurs 12 th June	Parent Partnership meeting 9.00am
	Tues 17 th June	EYC Graduation
	Fri 20 th June	End of term service and P7 Leavers' presentation
	Mon 23 rd June	School Trips or Fun day EYC to P7
	Fri 27 th June	School closes 1.00pm

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Educational Services

Approved School Holiday Arrangements: 2024/2025

Term	Break	Dates of Attendance	Cumulative Working Days
First	Mid Term	Teachers (Inservice)	Fri 16 Aug 2024
		Teachers (Inservice)	Mon 19 Aug 2024
		Pupils return	Tues 20 Aug 2024
		<i>local holiday</i>	Fri 20 Sept 2024
		<i>local holiday</i>	Mon 23 Sept 2024
		Close	Fri 11 Oct 2024
		Teachers (Inservice)	Mon 21 Oct 2024
		Re-open (Pupils)	Tues 22 Oct 2024
		Close	Fri 20 Dec 2024
Second	Mid Term	Re-open	Mon 6 Jan 2025
		<i>Close</i>	Fri 7 Feb 2025
		<i>local holiday</i>	Mon 10 Feb 2025
		Teachers (Inservice)	Tues 11 Feb 2025
		Re-open (Pupils)	Wed 12 Feb 2025
		Close	Fri 4 Apr 2025
			148
Third		Re-open	Tues 22 Apr 2025
		<i>May Day</i>	Mon 5 May 2025
		<i>Close</i>	Fri 23 May 2025
		<i>local holiday</i>	Mon 26 May 2025
		Teachers (Inservice)	Tues 27 May 2025
		Re-open (Pupils)	Wed 28 May 2025
Close	Fri 27 June 2025		
			195
	Session 2025/26	Teachers (Inservice)	Mon 18 Aug 2025
		Teachers (Inservice)	Tues 19 Aug 2025
		Pupils return	Wed 20 Aug 2025
NB	Good Friday: 18 April 2025		
<i>Pupil's attendance will be 190 days after deducting 5 in-service days.</i>			