



DUNDONALD PRIMARY AND EARLY YEARS CENTRE

WELCOME BACK – AUGUST NEWSLETTER

SESSION 2023-2024



UNCRC Article 13 - I have the right to find out and share information.

WELCOME BACK!

On behalf of all of the staff at Dundonald Primary and Early Years Centre, I am delighted to welcome everyone back after the summer holiday – it has been a pleasure to see you all.

We are extremely pleased with how well the children have settled into our Early Years Centre and School – we have been very impressed with the excellent manners, kind, friendly and helpful behavior – and their enthusiasm for learning.

The purpose of this newsletter is to share information with you which we hope is helpful at the beginning of term. Our newsletter includes details of:

- Our staff team
- Information about daily routines, such as: entrance and exit, break and lunch times, school lunches
- PE lessons
- Pupil absence procedures
- Forthcoming events and dates for your diary

OUR STAFF TEAM

Early Years Centre

Early Years Practitioners:

Miss Kirsten Macpherson (Senior Early Years Practitioner),

Mrs Katie Freer (Key Worker for the Red Group)

Miss Paris Bertschy (Key Worker for the Blue Group)

Miss Courtney Fulton (Key Worker for the Green Group)

Mr Scott McAdam (Key Worker for the Yellow Group)

Mrs Karen Gaw (Key Worker for the Purple Group)

Mrs Tia Parker (nee Dunlop) and Mrs Carol Linton (Key workers for our 2 year olds – Orange Group)

Mrs Eve Jenkins (Early Years Practitioner – Support for all)

Mr David Hardie (Early Years Practitioner – Support for all)

Ms Catrina Marshall is currently absent through ill-health. I'm sure that you will join with me in wishing her well; Mr Jonathan LeMasurier is covering for Ms Marshall.

Early Years Centre Teacher: Mrs Lorna Street

Primary School: Class Teachers

P1: Mrs Catherine Muir

P2: Mrs Rebecca Wilson

P3: Mr Gregor Allan (Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri) and Mrs Claire Mitchell (Thurs)

P4: Mrs Catherine McDowall

P5/6: Mrs Steven Nutt

P6: Mrs Shona Croft (nee Dunsmuir)

P7: Mrs Siobhan Spraggs

Additional Support for Learning Teacher: Mrs Pamela Young (Mon, Tues and Wed)

Additional Support for Learning: Mrs Christina Power (Mon, Tues and Wed from 4th Sept 2023)

Additional Support for Learning Teacher: Mrs Yvonne Seditas (Wed and Thurs)

Violin Instructor

Miss Elsbeth McLeod (Mondays)

Woodwind Instructor

Mrs Elaine Reitveld (Wednesdays)

Senior Leadership Team

Head Teacher: Mrs Fiona Paterson

Depute Head Teacher: Mrs Julia Kerr

Child Protection Co-ordinator: Mrs Julia Kerr

School Assistants: Mrs Michelle Crawford, Mrs Amanda Hynd, Mrs Susan Mackenzie, Mrs Kira Lee Maritz, Mrs Alicia McDonagh, Mrs Claire Letford and Mr Jacob Bell

Clerical Assistants: Mrs Susan Wilson, Ms Laura Crichton

Janitor and Crossing Patrol Officer: Mr Billy Whiteside

Catering Team: Mrs Janice Wilson (Catering Supervisor), Mrs Bridie Sutterfield, Miss Sarah McCormick, Mrs Aimee Wilson

Cleaning Team (Before and After School): Miss Debbie Smith (Cleaning Supervisor), Mrs Audrey Curran, Mrs Martha Mullen

School nurse: Nurse Stacey Cannon **Campus Police Officer (Marr Cluster):** PC Andy Harrower

P1-7 'LEARNING TOGETHER AND MEET THE TEACHER' AFTERNOON WITH FAMILIES – WED 13 SEPT (3.10-4.10PM)



A very warm welcome is extended to our primary school families to join us in school for our 'Learning Together and Meet the Teacher' afternoon, from 3.10-4.10pm, in our school games hall. This will be an opportunity for us to discuss and share how we can work together to support the children's learning – it will also be an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and find out about the school year ahead.

PARENTS' APPOINTMENTS: PARENTS' AFTERNOONS/EVENINGS – OCTOBER 2023

We look forward to speaking with parents and carers at our Parent Appointments which will take place in just over a month's time.

Early Years Centre: Parent appointments will take place via telephone during week beginning Monday 18th September 2023. An appointment time will be shared with you. If the time doesn't suit, or if you would prefer to come into our EYC rather than speaking on the phone, please let Miss Macpherson (our Senior EYP) know.

Early Years Centre and Primary School: Parent Appointments will take place in our school and EYC, in person, on Thursday 12th October 2023 between 3.30 and 6.00pm and between 6.30 and 9.00pm. A letter providing additional details will follow.

Entrance and Exit 'At-a-Glance': Start and Finish Times

Early Years Centre – Start and Finish Times

Morning Drop-off time: 8.45am ~ 9.00am

Afternoon Pick-up time: 2.45pm ~ 3.00pm

Important Information re. Early Years Gates: For reasons of child safety, the gates leading into our Early Years Centre should only be opened by staff. Staff will open the gates at 8.45am in the morning and at 2.45pm in the afternoon. This allows us to ensure that all of the children are safely indoors, in our playroom, when the gate is opened.

Pick-up/Drop-off during the day: If you are collecting your child during the day (out-with the times above), please ring the bell on the early years window to alert a member of staff who will then come to the gate to assist you. Alternatively, please come to our main office (or telephone the office) and we will be happy to help you. Many thanks.

Primary 1 – 7 Start and Finish Times

School starts at 9.00am and finishes at 3.00pm

We are grateful for the support of families in helping ensure that children arrive on time for school starting. Being late can be very unsettling for children as they may miss instructions or information about what is happening in their day. If your child is late for school please take him/her to the school office and our office staff will help direct your child to their class.

P1-P7 MORNING BREAK AND LUNCHTIME: TIMINGS AND WET WEATHER ARRANGEMENTS

Morning break and lunch time take place as outlined below. Our break and lunch times have been staggered slightly. This allows the children increased space to play in the playground and helps with the smooth running of the lunch hall.

Classes	Morning Break
P1 – P4 classes	10.30-10.45am (P1 play on the paved area and adventure trail; P2-4 can choose to play at the paved area, adventure trail, basketball court or field)

Classes	Morning Break
P5-7 classes	10.50-11.05am (paved area, adventure trail, basketball court or field)

Class	Lunch
P1-4 classes	12.30 – 1.15pm
P5-7 classes	12.50 – 1.35pm

WET WEATHER ARRANGEMENTS: EARLY YEARS AND PRIMARY SCHOOL – PLEASE BRING A JACKET



In light rain or drizzle, the children will still have the opportunity to play outdoors.

It is therefore important that children come to school wearing a jacket each day.

If children in the Early Years Centre have their own puddle suit, they are very welcome to wear this instead of a jacket.

If the rain is very heavy, break times will be indoors.

IMPORTANT CHOKING PREVENTION INFORMATION: SMALL FRUIT

The Care Inspectorate Prevention of Choking Guidance explains that small fruit and vegetables like cherry tomatoes, grapes and blackberries should be **quartered length-wise** before being given to children for snack. Please may we ask that parents and carers of young children **quarter grapes, cherry tomatoes or blackberries** before sending them to school for morning break or lunch?

ALLERGIES – IMPORTANT INFORMATION RE. NUTS AND NUT BASED PRODUCTS – EYC AND PRIMARY



We have several children and staff in school with very serious nut allergies. For some children, the allergy is airborne, meaning that an anaphylactic reaction could be triggered by being close to someone who is eating food containing nuts. We therefore ask for the support of all parents and carers in ensuring that children **do not bring nuts or products which may contain nuts** (such as Nutella, chocolate spread, chocolate bars containing nuts or snack/cereal bars containing nuts) to school for their snack or packed lunch. Anaphylaxis is a life threatening condition and it is essential that we all work together to keep everyone safe. Thank you for your support.

PUPIL ABSENCE PROCEDURES – EARLY YEARS AND PRIMARY SCHOOL



If your child is unwell - or for another reason is not able to attend school or early years - it is **vital that you let us know** by telephoning our school office. Child safety is our very first priority and for this reason it is **essential that you contact us** if your child is going to be absent. If you do not contact the school, your child's absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

School phone lines open at 8.30am and close at 3.30pm.
Our school contact number is: **01292 690 075**

P.E. AND DAILY MILE (PRIMARY 1 – 7 CLASSES)

All classes in the school will have three P.E. lessons each week. Classes will go outdoors to walk (run or jog) for a mile, in our playground, on the days that they don't have a P.E. lesson.

P.E. kit:

Please may we ask that children bring the following PE kit to school on their PE days? Alternatively, you may wish to provide your child with a PE kit to keep in school.

- ✓ Shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms
- ✓ school polo shirt (or t-shirt) – children can come dressed in this
- ✓ gym shoes/plimssoles/trainers



P.E. Safety - Jewellery and Earrings: Children should not come to school wearing jewellery as this can be lost when children take it off and on. Where pupils have pierced ears, earrings must be removed for P.E; if it is not possible for earrings to be removed, we ask that children come to school with their earrings covered with micro-pore tape.

P.E. days:

P1: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	P2: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	P3: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
P4: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	P5/6: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday	P6: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
P7S: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday		

WATER BOTTLES – IMPORTANCE OF HYDRATION

Children in Primary 1-7 are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school each day. We ask that children arrive in school in the mornings with their water bottles already filled. Should children require to refill their water bottles, a water cooler is available in our central corridor. Please may we ask that bottles are labelled with a permanent marker, such as a sharpie pen, or that they have some type of distinguishing label?



We have individual cups for our children in the early years centre. Alternatively, children in early years are also welcome to bring a water bottle of their own.

LOST AND FOUND – PLEASE DON'T LOSE IT, LABEL IT

Please may we ask that all parents and carers take time to label all items of clothing (particularly jackets), packed lunch bags and school bags with your child's name? We find that writing names on items with a ball-point or sharpie pen works just as well as pre-printed labels. The labelling of items helps enormously as it enables us to return misplaced items to children quickly and easily. Your support here is very much appreciated.



CAR PARK

The school car park is strictly for the use of staff and disabled badge holders. This is to limit the traffic within our car park which helps ensure the safety of all children.

If you need access to our staff car park, please speak with Miss Macpherson (Senior Early Years Practitioner) or to Mrs Kerr (DHT) or to Mrs Paterson (HT).

COMMUNICATION

We value parents and our families as vital partners in our children's learning, teaching and education ~ good communication and regular sharing of information is key to this partnership.

Communication from School: Groupcall Xpressions

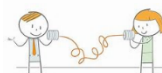


We use an online App - called Groupcall - to share important updates and school letters with you. Groupcall is also used by Marr College, our associated Secondary School. A separate letter has been shared giving details of how to download and access the App. If you have any questions about Xpressions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Letters in School Bags

Please check your child's bag on a regular basis for letters and if letters require to be returned to the school, please send them back as soon as you can.

What to do if you have a question or concern



We wish to support your child to fully reach their potential. If at any point you have any queries, concerns or wish to speak to a member of staff, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Please make an appointment, in the first instance, with your child's early years key worker or primary school class teacher. Please telephone the school office requesting an appointment or return call from your child's key worker/teacher. Your child's key worker/teacher will endeavour to get back to you as soon as they can.

If you wish to speak to our Head Teacher, Mrs Paterson, or Depute Head Teacher, Mrs Kerr, about any concerns, please telephone the school office to make an appointment. Again, Mrs Paterson and Mrs Kerr will endeavour to get back to you as soon as they can.

CONTACT DETAILS AND MEDICAL INFORMATION



Please may I highlight the importance of school having up-to-date contact details for each child? **If any of your contact details change please notify the office as soon as possible.** Important information is often sent out via email and it is also vital that we are able to contact you (or your designated emergency contact) should your child become unwell.

It is vital we have the following contact details for each family:

- **Parent/carer telephone number**
- **Parent/carer email address**
- **Emergency contact telephone number and address**
- **Up-to-date medical information**

SCHOOL WEBSITE, TWITTER AND PARENT COUNCIL FACEBOOK PAGE

Our school website contains information about Dundonald Primary and Early Years Centre, including electronic versions of our School Newsletters. Our website can be found at: <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/sa/dundonaldpsandeyc>

Parent Council Facebook: Our Parent Council also runs a popular Facebook page specifically for Parent Council news. The Facebook page is called 'Friends of Dundonald Primary and Early Years Centre'. Our Parent Council also make use of the page to share school and early years information and to provide updates.

School Twitter/X: We also use twitter (now known as 'X') to share school news and achievements. Please find us on twitter by searching online for '[Dundonald Primary and EYC Twitter](#)' or by going to the twitter app and searching for @dundonaldps.

MOBILE PHONES

The use of mobile phones by pupils during school time is not permitted. We ask for the support of all parents and carers in this by encouraging children to leave mobile phones at home. Where necessary, children are given access to the school phone through the school office. Where pupils are given permission by their parents to bring mobile phones to school, mobile phones should be turned off as soon as children arrive in the school playground in the morning until the end of the school day. Phones must remain in school bags and switched off.

HOME-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP – THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

On behalf of everyone at Dundonald, please may I take this opportunity to thank families for their support. Working in close partnership with parents is very important to us and we are grateful for everything you have done to help the children settle into school this week.

I am aware that you are getting a lot of information at once and thank you for understanding with this.

Very best wishes,

Fiona Paterson, Head Teacher

DUNDONALD PRIMARY AND EYC: CALENDAR FOR FAMILIES - SESSION 2023-24

We hope that the following information is helpful when planning your family calendar.

AUGUST 2023

Mon 21 Aug: School and EYC opens to children. EYC drop-off between 8.45am-9.00am; pick-up between 2.45-3.00pm. Primary School starts at 9am and finishes at 3pm (soft start for P1 and P2 from 8.55am).

Date	Who?	Activity
Mon 21 Aug until Fri 1 Sept	EYC and Primary School Children	Wellbeing Focus Fortnight (whole school and early years focus on - Rights Respecting Schools Focus, Wellbeing and Online Safety)
Thurs 31 Aug	P5 children	Swim Lesson at Troon Pool (children travel to and from Troon Pool via bus)

SEPTEMBER 2023

Date	Who?	Activity
Fri 1 st and 8 th September	P7 children	Bikeability Lessons (P7 have the opportunity to participate in Bikeability Level 1 – children should bring their bike and cycle helmet if participating)
Thurs 7 th , 14 th , 21 st and 28 th Sept	P5 children	Swim Lesson at Troon Pool (children travel to and from Troon Pool via bus)
Mon 4 Sept until Thurs 14 Sept	Primary School Children	Election Fortnight – P7 House and Vice Captains for Term 1; P3-7 Class Representatives for Rights Respecting Pupil Council; P3-7 Class Representatives for Eco Schools Pupil Voice Group
Wed 6 Sept 9.15-9.45am	EYC parents	Dundonald EYC Biscuit and a Blether – A warm welcome is extended to all EYC families to join us for our 'Biscuit and Blether' in our Music Room. This will be an informal blether about our Early Years Centre and how we can work together to support the children's play and learning. Please join us if you can.
Wed 13 Sept	Primary School Children	Roald Dahl Day – Celebration and Sharing of Roald Dahl stories during class literacy lessons in the Primary School
Wed 13 Sept 3.10-4.10pm	Parents – Primary School	'P1-7 Learning Together' afternoon with families in Games Hall - a very warm welcome is extended to all Primary School families to join us in our Games Hall. This is an opportunity to meet our staff team and to for us to talk together about the school year ahead.
Fri 15 Sept, Fri 29 Sept, Fri 6 Oct and Fri 13 Oct	P6 children	Bikeability Lessons (P6 have the opportunity to participate in Bikeability Level 1 – children should bring their bike and cycle helmet if participating)
Mon 18 Sept – Fri 29 Sept (appointment times will be shared)	Parents – Early Years Centre (EYC)	Early Years Centre - Parent Meetings (either in person or via telephone) - Personal Learning and Care Plans
Wed 20 Sept 9.15-9.45am	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre	Parents in Early Education Partnership (PEEP) Session 1 – Bookbug and Literacy Games <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>
Fri 22 Sept and Mon 25 Sept	Everyone	School Closed for September Holiday Weekend
Tues 26	Everyone	School and EYC Re-opens
Mon 25 Sept until 1 Oct	EYC and Primary School Children	Maths Week Scotland – Whole School and EYC Focus – Celebration of the Importance of Maths in our Everyday Lives (National Theme – 'Maths in Motion')
Wed 27 Sept 9.15-9.45am	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre	Parents in Early Education Partnership (PEEP) Session 2 – Numeracy and Maths Games <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>

OCTOBER 2023

Date	Who?	Activity
Thurs 5 th , 12 th and 26 th October	P5	Swim Lessons at Troon Pool
Mon 2 until Fri 13 Oct	EYC and Primary School Children	Whole School and EYC Focus - RME, RRS and Global Citizenship focus on Harvest
Wed 4 Oct 9.10-9.40am	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre	Early Years Stay and Play Session 1 (Red Group, Blue Group, Green Group) <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>
Wed 11 Oct 9.10-9.40am	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre	Early Years Stay and Play Session 2 (Yellow Group, Purple Group, Orange Group) <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>
Thurs 12 Oct	Parents – Early Years Centre and Primary School	Parent Appointments for EYC and Primary School in person, in school (3.30-6pm; 6.30-9.00pm)
Fri 13 Oct	Children	Harvest Assembly in school for children and staff
Fri 13 Oct	Everyone	School and EYC closes for holiday at usual time (3pm)
Mon 23 Oct	Everyone	In-Service Day for Staff – School and EYC closed to pupils
Tues 24 Oct	Everyone	School and EYC reopens to pupils
Tues 24 Oct until 3 Nov	Primary School	P7 House/Vice Captain Election Fortnight for Term 2

Fri 27 Oct	Children – EYC and Primary School	Halloween Themed Day
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NOVEMBER 2023

Date	Who?	Activity
Thurs 2 nd and 9 th Nov	P5	Swim lessons at Troon Pool
Wed 1 Nov	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre (3 Groups)	EYC Visit to Dundonald Woods (3 groups – Red Group, Blue Group, Green Group) A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.
Wed 8 Nov	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre (3 Groups)	EYC Visit to Dundonald Woods (3 groups – Yellow Group, Orange Group, Purple Group) A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.
Fri 10 Nov	Primary School Children	P1-7 Assembly Focus on Remembrance
Mon 13 Nov - Thurs 16 Nov	Primary 7	P7 Residential Visit to Dolphin House
Mon 13 Nov until Fri 17 Nov	EYC and Primary School Children	National Anti-Bullying Week – Whole School and EYC Focus
Fri 17 Nov	EYC and Primary School Children	RRS Focus on World Children's Day and Children in Need
Fri 17 Nov	P1 – P6 children	Flu Immunisations in school
Mon 14 until 20 Nov	EYC and Primary School Children	Book Week Scotland – Whole School and EYC Focus – Bookbug Book Bags
Wed 15 Nov 9.15-9.45am	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre	Early Years PEEP (Parents in Early Education Partnership) Session 1 - Bookbug Focus. A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.
Mon 20 until 27 Nov	EYC and Primary School Children	National Road Safety Week – Whole School and EYC Focus
Wed 22 Nov 9.15-9.45am	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre	Early Years PEEP (Parents in Early Education Partnership) Session 2 - Bookbug Focus. A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.
Fri 24 Nov	P7	P7 Cluster Debating Competition @ Marr College
Tues 28 Nov	P7	P7 Flu Immunisations
Wed 29 Nov	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre	Early Years PEEP Session 3 – Focus on arts and crafts A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.

DECEMBER 2023

Date	Who?	Activity
Fri 8 Dec	EYC and Primary School Children	School and EYC Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Sat 9 Dec	Everyone – children, families and local community	Provisional Date for Dundonald Christmas Fayre
Mon 11 Dec – Fri 15 Dec	Parents – Early Years Centre	Early Years Centre - Parent Meetings (either in person or via telephone) - Personal Learning and Care Plans
Thurs 14 Dec 9.30-10.00am	EYC children and families	Early Years Centre Family Christmas Sing-a-long. A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.
Fri 15 Dec: 9.30-10.00am	Children and families	P1-4 Nativity Play: This will be led by our Primary 1 year group and accompanied by our P2-4 classes (the play will be presented by our P1 children; P2, P3 and P4 will perform all of the songs). A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.
Fri 15 Dec	P7	P7 Transition Visit to Marr College – 'Walkabout' Tour of Marr College
Fri 15 Dec	P5/6 & P6	P5/6 and P6 joint Christmas Party (afternoon)
Mon 18 Dec	P7	P7 Christmas Party (afternoon)
Tues 19 Dec	P1, P2, P3 and P4	P3 & P4 Joint Christmas Party (morning); P1 and P2 Joint Christmas Party (afternoon)
Wed 20 Dec	EYC	EYC Christmas Party (morning)
Thurs 21 Dec 9.30-10.00am	EYC children and families	Christmas Show for EYC in Gym Hall (Moxie Kids Entertainment) A very warm welcome is extended to EYC families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.
Thurs 21 Dec: 1.15-2.35pm	P1-7 children	Pantomime – Snow White - presented by M and M Productions
Fri 22 Dec 9.45-10.15am	Everyone – EYC and Primary School - children and families	Christmas Service at Dundonald Parish Church led by P7 House and Vice Captains
Fri 22 Dec	Everyone – EYC and Primary School - children and families	Close for Holiday

JANUARY 2024

Date	Who?	Activity
Mon 8 Jan	Everyone	School reopens and pupils return
Mon 8 Jan until Fri 2 Feb	Children – EYC and Primary School	Scottish Culture Month – Whole School and EYC Focus on Scotland and Scottish Culture
Mon 15 until Fri 19 Jan	Primary School Children	P7 House/Vice Captain Elections for Term 3

FEBRUARY 2024

Date	Who?	Activity
Fri 2 Feb	Children – EYC and Primary School	1.45pm Celebration of Learning – Scottish Culture & Scots Verse – In School with EYC and P1-7 children
Mon 5 Feb until Fri 9 Feb	Everyone	Children's Mental Health Week
Wed 7 Feb 9.15-9.45am	EYC Parents and Children	PEEP Session 1 (Bookbug – Stories and Rhymes) <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>
Thurs 8 Feb	Parents – EYC and Primary School	Parent Appointments for EYC and Primary School – includes EYC Personal Learning and Care Plans (3.30-6pm; 6.30-9.00pm)
Fri 9 Feb	P7 children	P7 Celebration of Robert Burns (Burns Supper Afternoon)
Fri 9 Feb	Everyone	Close for Holiday (usual finish time)
Mon 12 Feb	Everyone	School and EYC Closed for February Holiday Weekend
Tues 13 Feb	Everyone	School and EYC closed to children. In-Service day for staff.
Wed 14 Feb	Everyone	School and EYC re-opens to children
Wed 14 Feb	EYC and Primary School Children	Launch of Creative Writing Project "Igniting the Writing" (Whole school and Early Years focus)
Wed 14 Feb 9.15-9.45am	EYC Parents and Children	Early Years PEEP Session 2 - Numeracy Games and Activities <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>
Wed 21 Feb	EYC Parents and Children	Early Years Stay and Play Session 1 (Red Group, Blue Group, Green Group) <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>
Wed 28 Feb	EYC Parents and Children	Early Years Stay and Play Session 2 (Yellow Group, Purple Group, Orange Group) <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>

MARCH 2024

Date	Who?	Activity
Tues 5 March	P7 Parents	P7 Welcome Evening at Marr College
Thurs 7 March	Children – EYC and Primary School	World Book Day – Whole School and EYC Focus
Tuesday 12 March 9.30am–12.00pm	P7 children	Marr Cluster STEM & Maths Challenge @ Marr College
Thurs 28 March	EYC and Primary School children	Easter Service at 9.30am led by P7 House and Vice Captains and Rev. Lynsey Brennan (Dundonald PS);
Thurs 28 March	Everyone	Close for Easter Holiday

APRIL 2024

Date	Who?	Activity
Mon 15 April	Everyone	School and EYC reopens and children return
Mon 22 April until Fri 26 April	Primary school children	P7 House/Vice Captain Elections for Term 4

MAY 2024

Date	Who?	Activity
Wed 1 May	EYC parents and children	Early Years PEEP (Parents in Early Education Partnership) Session 1 <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter</i>
Thurs 2 May	Everyone	School and EYC closed to children. In-Service day for staff.
Fri 3 May until Fri 14 June	P5-7 children	'Songs from the Musicals' focus during Expressive Arts lessons in preparation for our P5-7 Musical Showcase on Friday 14 th June
Mon 6 May	Everyone	School and EYC closed for holiday
Wed 8 May 9.15-9.45am	EYC parents and children	Early Years PEEP (Parents in Early Education Partnership) Session 2 <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter</i>
Tuesday 14 th May	P7 parents	Marr Cluster Family Learning Evening 5:30pm – 7:30pm @ Marr College
Wed 15 th May	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre (3 Groups)	EYC Visit to Dundonald Woods (3 groups – Red Group, Blue Group, Green Group) <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>
Friday 17 May	P6 children	Marr Cluster P6 Transition Event: DYW Careers and Modern Languages Event
Wed 22 May	Parents and Children – Early Years Centre (3 Groups)	EYC Visit to Dundonald Woods (3 groups – Yellow Group, Orange Group, Purple Group) <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>
Thurs 23 May	New P1 Parents	Welcome and Information Meeting for New P1 Families 9.15am-10.00am
Fri 24 May	Everyone	School and EYC Closed for Holiday
Mon 27 May	Everyone	School and EYC Closed for Holiday
Tues 28 May	Everyone	School and EYC Re-opens
Fri 31 May	Primary School children and parents	School Sports 1.45-2.45pm (Weather Permitting – Plan A) <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>

JUNE 2024

Date	Who?	Activity
Tue 4 June	New P1 children (current pre-school children)	9.20am until 10.00am – New P1 pupils visiting P1 class
Thurs 6 June	EYC and Primary School parents	Parent Appointments for Families
Fri 7 June	EYC children and parents	EYC Sports 9.30-10.15am (Weather Permitting – Plan A) <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>
Fri 7 June	Primary School children and parents	Reserve School Sports 1.45-2.45pm (Back-up Plan if wet previous week) <i>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.</i>
Tues 11 June: 9.20-10.20am	New P1 children (current pre-school children)	New P1 pupils – Transition Visit to P1
Tues 11 June	P7	P7 Transition Day at Marr College
Wed 12 June	EYC Pre-School Children and P1-6	School 'Bump-up' morning (children spend time learning in their 'new' class for Session 2024-25)
Wed 12 June	P7	P7 Transition Day at Marr College
Fri 14 June 9.30-10.00am	P5-7 children and parents	P5-7 Musical Showcase
Fri 21 June 9.30-10.00am	EYC children and parents	EYC Graduation (9.30-10.00am) followed by EYC Family Fun morning (11.20am-12.20pm)
Thurs 27 June	EYC and Primary School children and parents	Summer Service and P7 Moving on Ceremony at Dundonald Parish Church 9.45am
Fri 28 June	Everyone	School Closes for Holiday this afternoon