

# **DUNDONALD PS AND EARLY YEARS CENTRE**

**WELCOME TO DUNDONALD – AUGUST NEWSLETTER** 

**SESSION 2024-25** 







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#### **WELCOME BACK!**

Welcome to our new school year! It has been a pleasure to welcome children and families to our Early Years Centre and Primary School over the past week. We have been extremely impressed with the kindness, excellent manners and enthusiasm for learning in our Early Years Centre and Primary School.

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
- Welcome Afternoon and Parent Appointments
- Information about daily routines, such as: entrance and exit, school lunches and snack
- 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 and Key Worker)

Mrs Katie Freer (Key Worker for the Red Group)

Miss Paris Bertschy (Key Worker for the Blue Group)

Mr Scott McAdam (Key Worker for the Yellow Group)

Mrs Karen Gaw (Key Worker for the Purple Group)

Miss Lynsey Milligan (Key Worker for the Green Group)

Mrs Tia Parker 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 – Monday to Wednesday)

Mrs Courtney Miles (Early Years Practitioner – Support for all – Monday to Wednesday)

Early Years School Assistant: Miss Emma Wilson (Wednesday to Friday)

**Early Years Principal Teacher**: Mrs Lee Parris Brown (Mondays)

#### **Primary School: Class Teachers**

P1: Mrs Catherine Muir

P2: Mrs Olivia Riddle (Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri) and Mrs Lorna Street (Thurs)

P3: Mrs Catherine McDowall

P4: Mrs Claire Mitchell (Mon, Tues, Wed) and Mrs Yvonne Seditas (Thurs, Fri)

P5: Mr Steven Nutt

P6/7: 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 Siobhan Robertson (Mon to Thurs)

#### **Violin Instructor**

Miss Elsbeth McLeod (Thursdays)

#### **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

<u>School Assistants</u>: Mrs Michelle Crawford, Mrs Amanda Hynd, Mrs Susan Mackenzie, Mrs Kira Maritz, Mrs Alicia McDonagh, Mr Jacob Bell and Miss Emma Wilson

**Clerical Assistants**: Mrs Susan Wilson, Mrs Laura Crichton

Janitor and Crossing Patrol Officer: Mr Billy Whiteside

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

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

<u>School nurse</u>: Nurse Lynn Granger <u>Campus Police Officer (Marr Cluster</u>): PC Andy Harrower

Active Schools Coordinator: Ms. Nikki Lawson

## WELCOME AFTERNOON – EARLY YEARS CENTRE AND PRIMARY SCHOOL - WED 11 SEPT (3.10-4.10PM)



Please join us for our 'Welcome Afternoon' in our Early Years Centre and Primary School on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September between 3.10pm and 4.10pm. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child's key worker or class teacher. It will also be an opportunity to find out about the year ahead. We look forward to seeing you then.

## PARENTS' APPOINTMENTS: PARENTS' AFTERNOONS/EVENINGS - OCTOBER 2024

We look forward to meeting 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 during week beginning Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024. If the time doesn't suit, 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 **Wednesday 9th October 2024** between 3.30 and 6.00pm and between 6.30 and 9.00pm. A letter providing additional details will follow via email.

#### Every Learner Every Day Campaign: Importance of School Attendance



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 and the importance of good attendance. South Ayrshire has created a short video to support this campaign starring pupils from South Ayrshire schools, please click here to watch this.

# PUPIL ABSENCE PROCEDURES - EARLY YEARS AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

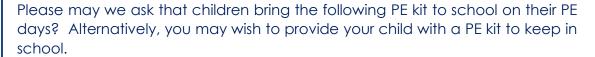


If your child is unwell - or for another reason is not able to attend school or early years - it is **vital that you let us know** by telephoning our school office. Child safety is our very first priority and for this reason it is **essential that you contact us** if your child is going to be absent.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

# P.E. (PRIMARY 1 - 7 CLASSES)

All classes in the school will have three P.E. lessons each week.

#### P.E. kit:





- ✓ Shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms
- ✓ school polo shirt (or t-shirt) children can come dressed in this
- ✓ gym shoes/plimsoles/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: Monday, Tuesday, Friday   | P2: Wednesday, Thursday, | P3: Monday, Tuesday,     |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                               | Friday                   | Wednesday                |
| P4: Tuesday, Wednesday,       | P5: Monday, Tuesday      | P6/7: Tuesday, Thursday, |
| Thursday                      | (swimming), Thursday     | Friday                   |
| P7: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday |                          |                          |

# WATER BOTTLES - IMPORTANCE OF HYDRATION - EARLY YEARS AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Children are encouraged to drink water throughout the day. We would be grateful if children could arrive at early years or school with their water bottles already filled. Should children require to refill their water bottles, a water cooler is available in our central corridor. Our NHS health promotion guidance recommends water rather than juice and explains 'Even low calorie drinks and no-added sugar drinks can encourage children to develop a sweet tooth'. Please label your child's water bottle with a permanent marker, such as a sharpie pen.



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

#### EARLY YEARS CENTRE - MORNING SNACK

Children in our Early Years Centre are provided with a healthy snack in the morning. To view our snack menu, please click **here**.

#### P1-P7 CLASSES - MORNING SNACK

If you would like your child to have a morning snack, please may we ask that you pack a small healthy snack into your child's school-bag (rather than their packed lunch box)? School-bags are easier for the children to access at morning break. If children have a large snack at morning break, they often find that they are not hungry for lunch at lunchtime. Thanks in advance for your support.

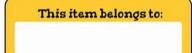
#### ALLERGIES - IMPORTANT INFORMATION RE. NUTS AND NUT BASED PRODUCTS - EYC AND PRIMARY



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 <u>do not bring nuts</u>

<u>or products which may contain nuts</u> (such as Nutella, chocolate spread, chocolate bars containing nuts or snack/cereal bars containing nuts) to school for their snack or packed lunch. Thank you for your support.

# 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 as it enables us to return misplaced items.

#### **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).

#### 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

#### **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.

Very best wishes,

Fiona Paterson

**Head Teacher** 

#### DUNDONALD PRIMARY AND EYC: CALENDAR FOR FAMILIES - SESSION 2024-25

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).

# AUGUST 2024

| Date             | Who?                   | Activity   |
|------------------|------------------------|--|
| Mon 19 Aug until | EYC and Primary School | Wellbeing Focus Fortnight (whole school and early years focus on - Rights  |
| Fri 30 Aug       | Children               | Respecting Schools Focus, Wellbeing and Online Safety)                     |
| Tues 27 Aug      | P5 children            | Swim Lesson at Troon Pool (children travel to and from Troon Pool via bus) |

# SEPTEMBER 2024

| Date   | Who?  | Activity  |
|--|---|---|
| Tues 3, 10, 17<br>and 24 Sept  | P5 children   | Swim Lesson at Troon Pool (children travel to and from Troon Pool via bus – children should bring a carrier bag containing a towel, swim costume and goggles – long hair must be tied back)   |
| Fri 6, 13 Sept   | P6 children (Group 1 – we will provide a list of the groupings for lessons – the children will be in small groups of 8) | Bikeability Lessons (our P6 children have the opportunity to participate in Bikeability Level 1 – children should bring their bike and cycle helmet if participating)   |
| Mon 2 Sept until<br>Fri 13 Sept  | Primary School Children   | Election Fortnight – P7 House and Vice Captains for Term 1; P3-7 Class<br>Representatives for Rights Respecting Pupil Council; P3-7 Class Representatives<br>for Tall Tales Reading Leadership Group  |
| Thurs 12 Sept  | Early Years Centre Children and Parents   | 9.10-9.45am: Parents in Early Education Partnership (PEEP) – Welcome to Early Years – Bookbug Session in Dundonald Primary and EYC A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter. |
| Fri 13 Sept  | Primary School Children   | Roald Dahl Day – Celebration and sharing of Roald Dahl stories during Assembly and class literacy lessons in the Primary School   |
| Wed 11 Sept<br>3.10-4.10pm   | Parents – Early Years Centre<br>and Primary School  | 3.10-4.10pm 'Learning Together' Open Afternoon with Families – opportunity for parents/carers to meet their child's teacher/key worker and talk about what we will be learning this year  |
| Mon 16 Sept – Fri<br>27 Sept<br>(appointment<br>times will be<br>shared) | Parents – Early Years Centre<br>(EYC)   | Early Years Centre - Parent Meetings (in person in Dundonald Primary and Early Years Centre) - Personal Learning and Care Plans   |
| Wed 18<br>9.15-9.45am  | Parents and Children – Early<br>Years Centre  | Parents in Early Education Partnership (PEEP) Session 1 – Bookbug and Literacy Games A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.   |
| Fri 20 Sept and<br>Mon 23 Sept   | Everyone  | School Closed for September Holiday Weekend   |
| Tues 24 Sept   | Everyone  | School and EYC Re-opens   |
| Mon 23 Sept until<br>29 Sept   | EYC and Primary School<br>Children  | Maths Week Scotland – Whole School and EYC Focus – Celebration of the Importance of Maths in our Everyday Lives (National Theme – 'Maths Tales')  |
| Wed 25 Sept<br>9.15-9.45am   | Parents and Children – Early<br>Years Centre  | Parents in Early Education Partnership (PEEP) Session 2 – Numeracy and Maths Games A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.   |
| Fri 27 Sept  | P6 children (Group 2 – we will provide a list of the groupings for lessons – the children will be in small groups of 8) | Bikeability Lessons (our P6 children have the opportunity to participate in Bikeability Level 1 – children should bring their bike and cycle helmet if participating)   |

# OCTOBER 2024

| Date                     | Who?   | Activity  |
|--------------------------|--|---|
| Tues 1, 8, 22 and 29 Oct | P5   | Swim Lessons at Troon Pool  |
| Wed 2 Oct<br>9.15-9.45am | Parents and Children – Early<br>Years Centre   | Early Years Stay and Play Session 1 (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. |
| Fri 4 Oct                | P6 (Group 2 – we will<br>provide a list of the<br>groupings for lessons – the<br>children will be in small<br>groups of 8) | Bikeability Lesson (our P6 children have the opportunity to participate in Bikeability Level 1 – children should bring their bike and cycle helmet if participating)                          |

| Mon 7 until Fri 11<br>Oct  | EYC and Primary School<br>Children                 | Whole School and EYC Focus - RME, RRS and Global Citzenship focus on Harvest  |
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| Wed 9 Oct 9.15-<br>9.45am  | Parents and Children – Early<br>Years Centre       | Early Years Stay and Play Session 2 (Yellow Group, Purple Group, Orange Group)<br>A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information<br>will be shared in a separate letter. |
| Wed 9 Oct                  | Parents – Early Years Centre<br>and Primary School | Parent Appointments for EYC and Primary School in person, in school (3.30-6pm; 6.30-9.00pm)   |
| Fri 11 Oct                 | Children   | Harvest Assembly in school for children and staff   |
| Fri 11 Oct                 | Everyone   | School and EYC closes for holiday at usual time (3pm)   |
| Mon 21 Oct                 | Everyone   | In-Service Day for Staff – School and EYC closed to pupils  |
| Tues 22 Oct                | Everyone   | School and EYC reopens to pupils  |
| Tues 22 Oct until<br>1 Nov | Primary School                                     | P7 House/Vice Captain Election Fortnight for Term 2   |
| Thurs 24 Nov               | P1-P7 children                                     | Flu Immunisations for P1-P7: Consent Forms have been sent out on behalf of the NHS – please return these to the main office and we will pass them on  |
| Thurs 31 Oct               | Children – EYC and Primary<br>School               | Halloween Themed Day – Dundonald's Got Halloween Talent Show in the afternoon (presented by P1-P7 children – auditions will be held earlier in the week)  |

# **NOVEMBER 2024**

| Date                           | Who?   | Activity   |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Tues 5 Nov                     | P5   | Swim lessons at Troon Pool (lesson 10 of 10 – final week)  |
| Fri 8 Nov                      | Primary School Children                      | P1-7 Assembly Focus on Remembrance   |
| Fri 8 Nov                      | P7 – Debate Finalists                        | Finalists from Dundonald PS Debate Competition to represent Dundonald Primary at Marr Cluster Debate Challenge in Marr College 9.30-11.30am  |
| Mon 11 Nov until<br>Fri 15 Nov | EYC and Primary School<br>Children           | National Anti-Bullying Week – Whole School and EYC Focus   |
| Wed 13 Nov<br>9.15-9.45am      | Parents and Children – Early<br>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. |
| Fri 15 Nov                     | EYC and Primary School<br>Children           | Rights Respecting School Focus on World Children's Day and Children in Need  |
| Mon 18 until 22<br>Nov         | EYC and Primary School<br>Children           | Book Week Scotland – Whole School and EYC Focus – Gifting of Bookbug Book<br>Bags for EYC and P1 and Read, Write Count Bags for P2 & P3  |
| Mon 18 until 27<br>Nov         | EYC and Primary School<br>Children           | National Road Safety Week – Whole School and EYC Focus   |
| Wed 20 Nov<br>9.15-9.45am      | Parents and Children – Early<br>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. |
| Wed 27 Nov                     | Parents and Children – Early<br>Years Centre | Early Years Stay and Play Session 1 (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.              |

# DECEMBER 2024

| Date                         | Who?  | Activity   |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| Mon 2 Dec -                  | P7 – Dolphin House Group 1                        | P7 Residential Visit to Dolphin House  |
| Thurs 5 Dec                  |   |  |
| Tues 3 Dec                   | P7 Families                                       | P7 Welcome Evening at Marr College (provisional date – to be confirmed)  |
| Wed 4 Dec                    | Parents and Children – Early<br>Years Centre      | Early Years Stay and Play Session 2 (Yellow Group, Purple Group, Orange Group) A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.  |
| Mon 9 Dec –<br>Thurs 12 Dec  | P7 – Dolphin House Group 2                        | P7 Residential Visit to Dolphin House  |
| Sat 7 Dec                    | Everyone – children, families and local community | Provisional Date/Time for Dundonald Christmas Fayre (1.00pm-2.30pm)  |
| Mon 9 Dec – Fri<br>13 Dec    | Parents – Early Years Centre                      | Early Years Centre - Parent Meetings - Personal Learning and Care Plans  |
| Thurs 12 Dec                 | EYC and Primary School<br>Children                | School and EYC Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day  |
| Thurs 12 Dec<br>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 13 Dec: 9.30-<br>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 13 Dec                   | P7  | P7 Transition Visit to Marr College – 'Walkabout' Tour of Marr College   |
| Fri 13 Dec                   | P4 & P5   | P4 and P5 ioint Christmas Party (afternoon)  |

| Mon 16 Dec                    | P3  | P3 Christmas Party (afternoon)   |
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| Tues 17 Dec                   | P1 & P2   | P1 and P2 Joint Christmas Party (afternoon)  |
| Wed 18 Dec                    | EYC; P6 and P7  | EYC Christmas Party (morning); P6 & P7 joint party (afternoon)   |
| Thurs 19 Dec<br>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 19 Dec<br>1.30pm-2.45pm | P1-P7 children  | Pantomime – Cinderella - presented by M and M Productions  |
| Fri 20 Dec 9.45-<br>10.15am   | Everyone – EYC and Primary<br>School - children and<br>families | Christmas Service at Dundonald Parish Church led by P7 House and Vice<br>Captains  |
| Fri 20 Dec                    | Everyone – EYC and Primary<br>School - children and<br>families | Schools across South Ayrshire close for holiday at 2.30pm A very warm welcome is extended to all families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.     |

# JANUARY 2025

| Date                          | Who?  | Activity   |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| Mon 6 Jan                     | Everyone  | School reopens and pupils return   |
| Mon 6 Jan until<br>Fri 31 Jan | Children – EYC and Primary<br>School  | Scottish Culture Month – Whole School and EYC Focus on Scotland and Scottish Culture                   |
| Mon 13 until Fri<br>17 Jan    | Primary School Children   | P7 House/Vice Captain Elections for Term 3   |
| Fri 31 Jan                    | Children – EYC and Primary<br>School (early lunch for P5-7<br>12.40-1.25pm) | 1.30pm Celebration of Learning – Scottish Culture & Scots Verse – In School with EYC and P1-7 children |

# FEBRUARY 2025

| Date                         | Who?                                | Activity  |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Mon 3 Feb until<br>Fri 9 Feb | Everyone                            | Children's Mental Health Week   |
| Wed 5 Feb<br>9.15-9.45am     | EYC Parents and Children            | PEEP Session 1 (Bookbug – Stories and Rhymes) A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.                                  |
| Thurs 6 Feb                  | Parents – EYC and Primary<br>School | Parent Appointments for EYC and Primary School – includes EYC Personal Learning and Care Plans (3.30-6pm; 6.30-9.00pm)  |
| Fri 7 Feb                    | P6 and P7 children                  | Celebration of Robert Burns (Burns Supper Afternoon)  |
| Fri 7 Feb                    | Everyone                            | Close for Holiday (usual finish time)   |
| Mon 10 Feb                   | Everyone                            | School and EYC Closed for February Holiday Weekend  |
| Tues 11 Feb                  | Everyone                            | School and EYC closed to children. In-Service day for staff.  |
| Wed 12 Feb                   | Everyone                            | School and EYC re-opens to children   |
| Wed 12 Feb<br>9.15-9.45am    | EYC Parents and Children            | Early Years PEEP Session 2 - Numeracy Games and Activities A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.                     |
| Wed 19 Feb                   | EYC Parents and Children            | Early Years Stay and Play Session 1 (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 26 Feb                   | EYC Parents and Children            | Early Years Stay and Play Session 2 (Yellow Group, Purple Group, Orange Group) A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter. |

# **MARCH 2025**

| Date          | Who?                       | Activity  |
|---------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mon 3 March   | EYC and Primary School     | Launch of Creative Writing Project "Igniting the Writing" (Whole school and Early |
|               | Children                   | Years focus)  |
| Thurs 6 March | Children – EYC and Primary | World Book Day – Whole School and EYC Focus                                       |
|               | School                     |   |
| Fri 7 March   | P7                         | Rotary Quiz for P7 (via Teams – Marr Cluster Schools)                             |
| Tuesday 12    | P7 children                | Marr Cluster STEM & Maths Challenge @ Marr College                                |
| March 9.30am- |                            |   |
| 12.00pm       |                            |   |

# **APRIL 2025**

| Date                | Who?                    | Activity  |
|---------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Fri 4 April         | EYC and Primary School  | Easter Service at 9.30am led by P7 House and Vice Captains in Dundonald           |
|                     | children                | Primary School  |
| Fri 4 April         | Everyone                | Close for Easter Holiday – Schools across South Ayrshire close at 2.30pm          |
| Mon 21 April        | Everyone                | School and EYC reopens and children return  |
| Mon 28 April until  | Primary school children | P7 House/Vice Captain Elections for Term 4  |
| Fri 2 May           |                         |   |
| Tues 29 April until | P5-7 children           | 'Songs from the Musicals' focus during Expressive Arts lessons in preparation for |
| Tues 10 June        |                         | our P5-7 Musical Showcase on Tues 17 June   |

#### **MAY 2025**

| Date          | Who?                         | Activity  |
|---------------|------------------------------|---|
| Mon 5 May     | Everyone                     | School and EYC closed for holiday   |
| Wed 7 May     | EYC parents and children     | Early Years PEEP (Parents in Early Education Partnership) Session 1             |
|               |                              | A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information |
|               |                              | will be shared in a separate letter   |
| Tues 13 May   | P7 Families                  | Information Evening at Marr College (provisional date - to be confirmed)        |
| Wed 14 May    | Parents and Children – Early | Early Years PEEP (Parents in Early Education Partnership) Session 2             |
|               | Years Centre (3 Groups)      | A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information |
|               |                              | will be shared in a separate letter   |
| Friday 16 May | P6 children                  | Marr Cluster P6 Transition Event: DYW Careers and Modern Languages Event        |
|               |                              |   |
| Wed 22 May    | Parents and Children – Early | EYC Visit to Dundonald Woods (3 groups – Yellow Group, Orange Group, Purple     |
|               | Years Centre (3 Groups)      | Group) A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional      |
|               |                              | information will be shared in a separate letter.                                |
| Thurs 22 May  | New P1 Parents               | Welcome and Information Meeting for New P1 Families 4pm-4.45pm                  |
| Mon 26 May    | Everyone                     | School and EYC Closed for Holiday   |
| Tues 27 May   | Everyone                     | School and EYC closed to children.  |
|               |                              | In-Service day for staff.   |
| Tues 28 May   | Everyone                     | School and EYC Re-opens   |
| Fri 30 May    | Primary School children and  | School Sports 1.45-2.45pm (Weather Permitting – Plan A)                         |
|               | parents                      | A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information |
|               |                              | will be shared in a separate letter.  |

# JUNE 2025

| Date                        | Who?   | Activity  |
|-----------------------------|--|---|
| Tue 3 June                  | New P1 children (current pre-school children)  | 9.20am until 10.00am – New P1 pupils visiting P1 class  |
| Thurs 5 June                | EYC and Primary School parents                 | Parent Appointments for Families  |
| Fri 6 June                  | EYC children and parents                       | EYC Mini-Sports and Family Games Afternoon 1.45pm-2.30pm (Weather Permitting – Plan A) A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.   |
| Tues 10 June:               | New P1 children (current pre-school children)  | 9.20-10.20am - New P1 pupils – Transition Visit to P1   |
| Tues 10 June                | P7   | P7 Transition Day at Marr College   |
| Wed 11 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 11 June                 | P7   | P7 Transition Day at Marr College   |
| Fri 13 June                 | P6   | Soccer Aid at Marr College (provisional date – to be confirmed)   |
| Fri 13 June                 | Primary School children and parents            | Reserve School Sports 1.45-2.45pm (Back-up Plan if wet previous week) A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us – additional information will be shared in a separate letter.  |
| Tues 17 June                | P5-7 children and parents                      | P5-7 Musical Showcase 9.30-10.00am  |
| Fri 20 June<br>9.30-10.00am | EYC children and parents                       | EYC Graduation and Summer Sing-a-Long (9.30-10.00am) followed by EYC Family Fun morning (11.20am-12.20pm)   |
| Fri 20 June                 | P6   | Marr Book Festival at Marr College (provisional date – to be confirmed)   |
| Thurs 26 June               | EYC and Primary School<br>children and parents | Summer Service and P7 Moving on Ceremony at Dundonald Parish Church 9.45am – 10.25am A very warm welcome is extended to families to join us for Primary 7's Moving on Ceremony and Summer Service – additional information will be shared in a separate letter. |
| Fri 27 June                 | Everyone                                       | Schools across South Ayrshire close for Summer Holiday at 1pm   |