

Heathfield EYC






Dates to remember...



January - March
2024

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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January</u></p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Week commencing 15th</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>*Primary 1 Registration*</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Mon 15th</u> Swimming Sessions (5 weeks)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>*Pre-School Children only*</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Tue 16th</u> Gymnastics Sessions (4 weeks)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sign Language Session (1/2)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Wed 17th</u> Peep session (4 weeks)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thu 18th</u> Outdoor Learning with Primary 3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Tue 23rd</u> Play on Pedals begins (6 weeks)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>*Pre-School Children only*</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thu 25th</u> Burns Day: Wear Tartan</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>*Burns supper, poetry and traditional dancing*</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Tue 30th</u> Sign Language Session (2/2)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>February</u></p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Mon 12th</u> Holiday</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Tue 13th</u> Inservice Day</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Mon 26th Feb – Fri 1st Mar</u> Care Plan Meetings</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Wed 28th</u> Wee Wanderers (5 weeks)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>*Ante-Preschool children only*</i></p>				
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>March</u></p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Wed 6th</u> Stay and Play: Book theme</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>'Read with Me'</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thu 7th</u> World Book Day</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>*Dress as your favourite story character, if you wish*</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thu 28th</u> School and EYC close for Easter.</p>					

****In our next and final term of 2023-2024, keep your eyes peeled for the following dates:
Beach School, EYC Trip, Summer Party, Graduation and more!****

*** Primary 1 registration: session 2024-2025 ***



Children whose 5th birthday is between 1 March 2024 and 28 February 2025 should be registered for education during the week commencing *Monday 15 January 2024*.

You should register your child online for either your catchment denominational or non-denominational primary school between Monday 15 January and Friday 19 January. You will be asked to attach your child's birth certificate and proof of residence in the catchment area in the form of a Council Tax Notice **and** Utility Bill during the on-line registration process.

If you intend to defer your child's entry to Primary 1 for a further year you **do not** need to register your child for education but you **must** complete the deferred entry application online which will be available week beginning 15 January and should be submitted no later than Friday 23 February 2024.

Group Areas

From January, some of our children's group areas within the playroom will change. This ensures that all children benefit from a mix of open plan and table top focused learning experiences. This change is beneficial to children who are preparing for Primary 1 and allows all children to demonstrate a range of skills as they learn.

Swimming Sessions (pre-schoolers)

Begins: Monday 15th January (5 weeks – occurs every Monday)

Additionally, pre-school children have the opportunity to attend 5 swimming sessions at Prestwick Swimming Pool at a cost of £2.50 per sessions. We kindly ask that £12.50 is paid in full prior to the first session. A limited number of spaces are available.

Sessions begin at 10.30am and finish at 11.30am. Children will walk to and return from the pool with Heathfield EYC staff. Prestwick Swimming Pool has asked that families do not attend due to lack of seating. Children will have lunch upon their return.



Please see Lindsay if you would like your child to participate.

Peep (4 weeks)

Coming up: Wednesday 17th January

Join Shevon, our Peep representative, with your child to enjoy singing, rhyming, stories and ORIM (Opportunities, recognition, Interaction, Modelling) activities. This is a 4 week block.

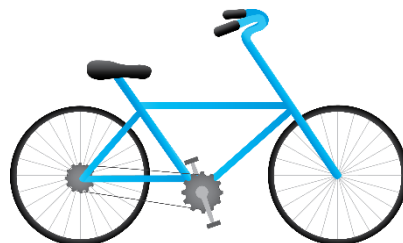
Please see Holly if you are interested.

Play on Pedals (pre-schoolers)

Coming up: Tuesday 23rd January onwards (6 weeks)

Hayley and Paul will lead the Play on Pedals initiative in the new term. This programme aims to support children as they transition from balance bikes to pedal bikes. We aim to have as many children as possible confidently riding a pedal bike by the end of the programme.

Children require parental permission to participate. If you have not completed a permission slip, please see Hayley or Paul.



Burns Day

Coming up: *Thursday 25th January*

Children will engage in Scottish themed experiences including a Burns Supper for snack (vegetarian supplements available), a highland dancing performance by children in the upper school and poetry. Children can, if the wish, learn the following rhyme and take turns to perform in the afternoon:

*Oh ye cannae shove yer granny aff a bus, push push!
Oh, ye cannae shove yer granny aff a bus, push push!
No, ye cannae shove yer granny.
'Cause she's yer mammy's, mammy.
Ye cannae shove yer granny aff a bus, push push!*



Wee Wanderers (Ante Preschoolers)

Coming up: *Wednesday 28th February (5 weeks)*



Our Ante-Pre children will have the opportunity to explore 5 different features of our local community including the duck pond, the park and local businesses. These outings are offered to children and are not mandatory.

Stay and Play – Read with me!

Coming up: *Wednesday 6th March*

So far this year, we have completed two successful Stay and Play sessions. During these sessions, we focused on children's 'Developmental Milestones' and explored how we can support these through play.

This session, we will promote reading as we prepare for World Book Day the following day (Thursday 7th March). We will offer a range of story telling materials and resources for you and your child to explore.

Additionally, this session will incorporate a 'baby area' where younger siblings can enjoy resting and playing in a soft spaces filled with baby-safe toys.



World Book Day

Coming up: *Thursday 7th March*

We will celebrate all things readable during world book day! We will engage in experiences focused around traditional stories and will incorporate various resources around our playroom and garden to promote discussion around these classics.

Children can dress as their favourite story character, bring their favourite story or both! Please label all costumes and books to avoid confusion throughout the day, thank you!

