

Mauricewood ELC Term 3



ELC News Letter Term 3 2023

Dear Parent/Carer/Childminder,

We hope you all had a lovely Easter Break! We have enjoyed welcoming our children back to ELC and everyone has settled back into their routines really well.

Unfortunately Ms Hyde is currently unwell but we hope to have her back with us soon. I am sure you will join us in wishing her a speedy recovery.

I have included some dates for your diary as we have a very busy last term ahead of us. These will include dates for trips and exciting things we will have on at nursery.

One of our main focuses for this term will be transition to Primary 1. We have lots of exciting activities planned and a lot of transition dates for our children and children from feeder settings to get to know each other. Parents of pre-school children will already have received a letter with some dates and there will be more to follow so watch this space.....

Can we please remind parents that the car park should not be used for drop off or pick up at ELC or school. The exception being children or adults who have a disability. This is to ensure the safety of all children, parents and staff who use the car park to access the school building. If you have a disability please let us know and we can arrange a drop off time in the carpark as we only have 2 places available. We thank all our parents and carers for their co-operation and understanding in this matter.

We had a wonderful turn out for our Daffodil Tea party and the Stay and Play that we had before the end of Term 2. We hope you enjoyed the children singing and the Talk For Writing Story the children told us. It is really lovely to have parents, carers and childminders in to visit our setting. Everyone is always welcome anytime, just let a member of staff know that you plan to stay and play on the day.

Our children are showing an interest in learning about Spring time, new life and planting. This will be the focus of our planning for the next few weeks along with any other interests the children have.

We are looking at our children's learning intentions for this term and your child's key worker will catch you to have a chat about this over the next week or so.

This year we are going to Beecraigs Country Park as our end of term trip in our key groups. Due to the hire of the community bus we are only able to book this 6 times so the Spider Group will be going with another group each day. Forms in the foyer with the date and time of your child's trip along with some limited space for parents/carers to join us so please sign up quickly.

Story Sacks will now go out every Tuesday and returned the following Monday!

We would like to sign post you to some areas of ELC that we would like to remind you of. The white board in the foyer area will tell you what we have planned for the week ahead. We also have a lunch and snack menu on the wall in the foyer that you can see. We will have sheets up asking for parent helpers for trips etc. and our planning wall is within the large room. If your child has any interests at home please ask a member of staff to help you put this on a post it note on our planning wall. Also, can we ask that you check your child's tray at the end of each session as important art work and paperwork will be put in their tray. We have self-registration for the children but we would ask that **you** initial next to your child's name to sign them in each morning.

Please Help! We are asking for donations from your recycling of boxes, tubs, cartons etc. that can be used in our art areas.

Dates for your Diary.....

- Thursday 4th May 2023 Family Cooking Club 3.30-4.30pm - All Welcome
- Monday 8th May 2023 Holiday
- Thursday 11th May 2023 Sponsored Obstacle Course AM
- Thursday 11th May 2023 Parents Group Meeting P1 Transition 2.30-3.20 All Welcome
- Thursday 18th May 2023 Family Book Bug 3.30-4pm All Welcome.
- Monday 22nd May 2023 In service Day
- Tuesday 23rd May 2023 Childsmile visit in ELC AM
- Thursday 25th May 2023 Family Gardening Club 2.30-3.20pm - All Welcome.
- Friday 26th May 2023 Family Picnic organised by PTA 12.30pm
- Monday 5th June 2023 Sports Day 1 (weather dependent)
- Monday 5th June 2023 Family Cooking Club 3.30-4.30pm - All Welcome
- Thursday 8th June P1 parents information evening 5.30-6.30pm @ Mauricewood Primary School
- Tuesday 13th June 2023 Sports Day 2 (if called off on 5th June due to weather)
- Wednesday 14th June Grasshopper/Spider/Beetle Trip to Beecraigs
- Thursday 15th June 2023 P1 visit meet the teacher 9.30-11am
- Thursday 15th June 2023 Family Book Bug 3.30-3pm
- Monday 19th June 2023 Snail/Spider Group to Beecraigs
- Tuesday 20th June 2023 Caterpillar/Spider/Beetle Group to Beecraigs
- Wednesday 21st June 2023 Ladybird/Spider Group to Beecraigs
- Thursday 22nd June 2023 Inflatable Fun Day
- Thursday 22nd June 2023 Family Gardening Club 2.30-3.20pm
- Monday 26th June 2023 Bumblebee/Spider Group to Beecraigs
- Tuesday 27th June 2023 Millipede/Spider Group to Beecraigs.
- Wednesday 28th June 2023 Family and friends invited into nursery to hear the children sing and read stories at 3pm.