



**January / April
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Welcome

A very warm welcome to all our new children and families starting at Elie Street. We are sure you will have an exciting fun filled time at Elie Street Nursery. If you require any support please speak to any member of the senior leadership team.



Child Smile

All staff have completed the Child Smile Training. We are toothbrushing daily with your child. If you wish to opt out of this please send your preference in writing. The nursery recently underwent a toothbrushing evaluation which we successfully achieved.

Playroom Doors

We kindly request that you refrain from entering the playroom when dropping off or collecting your child.

Please press the doorbell located outside Playroom 2 when dropping off and collecting your child. This will alert a member of staff of your arrival, then they can greet or say goodbye to your child.

This new process will ensure the safety of **all** of our children.

Seesaw Learning Journals

Please ensure you are frequently accessing and engaging with your child's learning on Seesaw. They love to know that their Parents/ Carers are viewing and commenting on their work.

World Book Day

The children had a PJ Day to celebrate World Book Day. Some children brought in their favorite bedtime stories which we enjoyed listening to during an extra cozy story time.

Breastfeeding Scotland

Annette Dougan will be visiting the nursery on Wednesday 23rd April to read stories to the children.

Staff News

ANNOUNCEMENT

Christine McMahon is our Acting Head of Nursery until permanent head is appointed.

Festivals and Celebrations

Robert Burns day

The children learned about the Scottish Culture and celebrated Robert Burns Day. They listened to stories and poems written by Robert Burns. While celebrating the children listened to traditional Scottish music and attempted some poetry. They also enjoyed tasting Haggis, Neeps and Tatties, a traditional Scottish food.

Chinese New Year;

The children learned the 2025 is the year of the snake, the children made their own snakes, listened to traditional Chinese celebration music and watched some videos about the lion and dragon dance. We also tried some traditional Chinese noodles and rice.

Eid al-Fitr

Children explore different aspects of Eid, such as the crescent moon symbol, receiving gifts and cards. Children had the opportunity to dress up and some children enjoy sharing their personal experiences and showing their Mendi designs on their hands.

ALLERGY INFORMATION

Due to a number of allergies and our healthy eating policy we must inform all parents and carers that birthday cakes are not permitted in the nursery. Your child will still celebrate their birthday in nursery so please be reassured that celebrations will still continue!

Please Note: Our nursery is a NUT FREE zone.

Care Plan Reminder

If you have not returned your completed Care Plan to nursery, please do so as soon as possible. If you have not been given a Care Plan for your child please inform you're their Keyworker.

Staff will continually update the plan during your child's time at nursery.

Teaching and Learning

Spring has arrived therefore the children will be learning about the life cycle of animals, plants, flowers and also the changes in the environment.

Parents Meeting (Fund raising event)

Thankyou to all the parents who attended our Parent meeting on the 25th February. Information discussed at the meeting was about fundraising for the nursery.

The nursery will be hosting our annual graduation for children who will transition to Primary 1 in August 2025. Raffle tickets will be for sale in the nursery to support fund raising for the children's graduation.

The Raffle will be drawn after the Spring Break.

The local community have also donated exciting raffle prizes.

Transition / Notre Dame Primary

Children from P6 have been visiting the nursery every Friday to build relationships with our children as they will be their Buddies next year. Some children visited the Primary 4 class with Mrs. Summers to learn about the Life Cycle of a Trout. Our pre-school children visited Notre Dame on World Book Day for stories and story massage with Mrs. Traynor and the P6 children. Angela will continue to support children in their transition to school.

School Learning Fund

Thank you for paying your weekly £2.50 Learning Fund. As you know we depend on this money to pay for all birthday presents, cooking/baking experiences, play dough ingredients, sports development, celebrations and extra curricular activities.

Thank You



Partick and Thornwood Fund

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you Partick And Thornwood Grant who awarded the nursery £991.11 towards an outdoor shed, outdoor clothing and wellies for the children.

Thankyou to Tricia who supported the nursery with the application form.



Dates for your Diary

Easter Celebration Tuesday 22nd April.

All children who do not attend the session are welcome to join us from 9.15/11.15.

Spring Break Holidays

The last day of term will be Friday 4th April and the nursery will re-open on Tuesday 22nd April 2025.

Christine and Team Elie