



Early Years Newsletter

May 2025



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As we approach the final half term, here is some information you may find useful...

Transition Information

In the upcoming weeks a range of transition sessions/ events have been organised to help prepare your child for the next class. Alongside these events, the staff are working with the children to talk about the changes that their new class will bring and what this will look like for them.

Just a reminder that moving forward through school our doors are always open if you need anything!

Children remaining in Nursery

If your child is staying in nursery for the next academic year you will not receive a specific pack. Instead, you will receive a separate email with changes to drop off and pick up times of transition events that that will affect your child. As most of the these are within the school day so staff will take them to the correct events.

Nursery > Reception

You will received a pack at the start of next week that includes all the dates and times for upcoming events.

Reception > Year 1

Mr Gordon will be in touch with all transition information/ events.

Please note wrap around will be available as normal on transition sessions.

Staffing changes

The following staff changes will take place from September 2025.

Miss Hulme will teach in Reception class.

Mr Peel will teach in Nursery class.

We look forward to working in our new classes in September!

PTA news

Next meeting: Thursday 5th
June 7pm @ Upper House

Upcoming events...

PTA Autumn Fayre (Sep 25)

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If you have a concern, no matter how big or small; please speak to/ contact a member of staff.

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Book bags

The PTA have very kindly purchased book bags for all children starting Hedgehog class in September 2025. These will soon be handed out to the children over the next few weeks.

When they are delivered in preparation for Hedgehog class children will be able to choose a sharing story with their grown-ups and take it home with them - Miss Hulme will be in touch with more information about this when they arrive.

Forest School

We are excited to let you know that Early Years will be taking part in Forest School days next half term. I have added the dates to the EY calendar. Here is some more information about the sessions...

Children will need to come to school dressed in suitable outdoor clothing including suitable closed toe footwear as well as an item of clothing with long sleeves. Where appropriate, children should have sun cream applied in the morning before school when the weather is warmer. As always, children should bring a water bottle to school with them, this will be taken outside and stored in a central location on warmer days. If waterproof coats or trousers are needed during a session, these will be provided by the school.

Even with all this personal protective equipment, it is possible that children can get their clothes wet or dirty therefore, in addition they also need to be provided with a change of clothes (this could be their school PE kit). For more information, please visit <http://www.forestschoollassociation.org/>.

If you have any questions please do get in touch with a member of EY staff or email amellor@barlaston.staffs.sch.uk.

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Open day

An early years' open evening for prospective parents will take place on Wednesday 4th June 4pm-6pm. If you could pass this on to anyone who may be interested in joining our nursery or reception class that would be greatly appreciated.

For parents who have a confirmed place in reception a separate event will be put on to offer a chance to come and look around and meet the staff and other parents.

Home Certificates/ Pictures of the weekend

Reminder that home certificates, photographs or videos from the children's weekend or break are shown in our early years worship on Friday.

If your child would like to show these please send certificates in their book bag/ with them or photographs/ videos via email by Friday lunchtime as our worship begins at 13:00.

Once again just a big thank you from all of the EY staff for your continued support this year and look forward to a positive remainder of this year!

Mr Peel, Miss Hulme and the EY team.

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