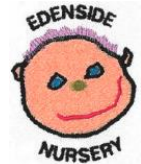




School Bulletin

August 16th 2024



Welcome to the school session 2024-2025.

We have had such a busy week in school this week, I am sure most of us are feeling ready for the weekend. We have had a positive start to the school year. Our school has been a calm and happy place with a lot of learning, laughter and love. Thank you for all your efforts with school uniform, every one is looking so smart. We have welcomed some new children and staff into ELC and school.

Families: Open Classrooms and Playrooms

At Edenside we want to include families. We want you to feel comfortable in our school and be part of your child’s learning journey. We will offer different opportunities during the year for you to come in to the ELC / school. The first offer is very informal. It is a chance for your child/ren to show you their classroom/s or playroom and meet their teacher or key worker. Please come along at the date and times below.

Wednesday 28th August ELC 3.15 – 3.45pm P1 – 7 3.30 – 4.15pm

Snacks and water

Your child will have a morning break. We ask that you send your child a snack for these times. A snack could be fruit, crisps or biscuits. Please make sure you send a snack that is nut free, as we want to keep everyone safe.

Please send your child with a filled water bottle each day. Please do not send flavoured / fizzy water or juice in water bottles. (Please make sure water bottles are named.)

I am asking that you **do not send sweets to school** (this includes lollipops and brainlickers) for snack or packed lunches, to support the school to keep within the Scottish Government Healthy Eating guidelines. Thank you.

Absences / Attendance

If your child is absent please contact the school to let us know by 9am. You can phone (01835 826533) or email (edensideps@scotborders.gov.uk) or send a message on the expressions app.

SBC have updated their attendance policy and will be sending out information about this to families next week.

Vision, Values and Aims

In assembly today, we were reminded about our school vision, values and aims. We then went on to discuss the year ahead and how the children will be involved in our plans.

Vision for Edensiders
'Be the best you can be'



Our Values



Learning



Laughter



Love



Our Aim for Laughter



To celebrate children’s achievements in our school and community.

Our Aim for Learning



To provide high quality teaching and learning.

Our Aim for Love

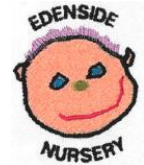


To be a nurturing school.



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Swimming for P6s and P7s

Swimming will start on week beginning 9th September for a 10 week block. The cost is £2 per lesson. If you have applied for free school meals there will be no cost to you. You can still make an application for this if you feel you may be eligible on the SBC website in the school meals section. ParentPay will be set up for payment shortly for P6s and P7s.

Mondays – P6B, P6J and P7W (P4/5 classes will have a 10 week block starting in March 2025)

PE

PE kit should be brought into school on Monday. Our PE kit is a plain white t-shirt, black / navy shorts or joggers / leggings and a pair of trainers. Each class has 2 hours of PE with Mr Sutton.

P1W –Monday and Wednesday
P2/3M – Monday and Wednesday
P4/5D – Tuesday and Thursday
P4/5P – Tuesday and Thursday
P6J – Tuesday and Thursday

P2/3C – Monday and Wednesday
P2/3P – Monday and Wednesday
P4/5M – Monday and Tuesday
P6B – Tuesday and Thursday
P7W – Wednesday and Thursday

Holiday Dates

These can be found on the Scottish Borders Website. Choose school and learning, then Term, holiday and closure dates, click on school term for 2024-25 for the most up to date information or follow the link below.

[School term dates for 2024-25 | Term, holiday and closure dates | Scottish Borders Council](#)

SIR and SIP

The school improvement report (SIR) is a report that evaluates the work of the school for last school session.

The school improvement plan (SIP) is the school’s plan for improvement for the school session.

We will shortly upload the school’s SIR (2023/24) and SIP (2024/25) to the school website for you to read. If you wish to ask about these at any time, please contact the school.

One of the things on the school improvement plan for this year is to develop our ‘Edenside Grows Together’ project. We have been working with community groups to get started with this and our poly tunnel is nearly ready for us to use.



Annual Updates and Flu Vaccination Forms

Your child should have brought home a flu vaccination letter. Please read this, complete it and return it to school as soon as possible.

The other envelope that came home has the information that we hold on our admin system about you and your child. Please check this is correct, amend anything that is out of date, sign it and then return it to school as soon as you can. Thank you so much for your help with this.