



Strathesk
Primary School

Weekly Mail Drop

12.05.23

(Our weekly mail drop will continue to be sent out each **Friday** this year)

Included in this week's mail drop:

- Caregivers Connected
- Family Fun Sessions x2
- Art and Craft session

I hope you have had a great week.

Spring Fair

I am delighted to share with you that the Parent Partnership raised an amazing £2000 at the Spring Fair. Thank you so much for your support with this fundraiser and for your overwhelming generosity. This term our Learner Group met with our Parent Partnership to discuss resources in the playground and how these could be improved. As a result of the research and hard work of our Learner Group, our Parent Partnership has agreed to provide £1000 of play equipment for the newly introduced zones at lunch time. Thank you to both the Learner Group and the Parent Partnership for this. I will keep you updated on further contributions made to the school as a result of your support with fundraising events.

Parent Consultations

As you know we have increased our Parent Consultations this year to three instead of two with the additional session being led by the children last term. Our final Parent Consultations for this year take place on Wed 17th and Fri 19th May. These will be led by your child's class teacher but please bring your child along to the meeting. Time slots have gone home with children but please contact your child's class teacher or the school office if you do not have a time slot.

Nursery Stay and Play

For our Stay and Play sessions this month we have decided to do things a bit differently. These next two months are busy ones with Monday holidays, transition, Sports Day, summer trips, etc. However we would still like to fit in some Stay and Play sessions as they are so successful and it is great for parents/family to get the chance to come into nursery. We are going to have a Stay and Play week this month on the week beginning Monday 15th May. From Monday to Thursday, parents and family are invited to pick a day and join us for the usual 1 hour Stay and Play from 8:30 to 9:30. There will be a sign up sheet at the front door so that you can choose which day best suits (Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th or Thursday 18th). Please sign up for a session if you are able to and join us to see what goes on in nursery and for a chance to have a chat with your child's keyworker.

People Who Help Us

This term P1 will be learning all about people who help us. We would love to invite parents/carers/relatives to come and chat with the children about your jobs. Can you please let Mrs Thomson or Miss Grant know if you are able to pop in and they will arrange a time and date with you. Thank you in advance.

Hunter and Lass

Thank you to Mr Armstrong for organising our annual Strathesk Talent Show which took place this week. Our children showed talent and confidence when performing in front of a live audience. Thank you to everyone who put themselves forward and thoroughly entertained us at the talent show. Unfortunately not everyone can go through but all the acts were fantastic!



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Good luck to Evie-Rose, Isla, Verdell and Benaiah who represent our school this Saturday night at the town hall in the Hunter and Lass Talent Show.

The Hunter and Lass committee has asked me to share the following with you:

The annual Hunter and Lass disco will take place on Saturday 20th May at Shottstown Miners Club.

There will be two discos: P1-P4 from 5pm-6.30pm

P5-P7 from 7pm-9pm.

Tickets are £3 each. You can buy them up at the school office on Friday 19th May.

Free School Meals and Clothing Grants

The qualifying criteria for Free School Meals and Clothing Grants has been updated on the Council website here:

[Free school meals and clothing grants | Midlothian Council](#)

Easyfundraising at Strathesk

Strathesk Primary and ELC needs your help! Sign up to Easyfundraising and raise FREE donations every time you shop online with over 6,000 retailers. John Lewis, Argos, Uswitch, eBay and many more are waiting to give a free donation. Plus once you've signed up and raised £5 in donations, Easyfundraising will give us, as a school, an extra £5 bonus donation!

Sign up to support us here - <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/x511y/>

West Linton Fun Night

We have been asked to share the following with you:

We would like to invite your school community to our Fun Night For All on the 30th May, starting at 6:30pm on West Linton's Village Lower Green.

There is no charge for any of the activities (although donations will be welcome) which makes it a very inclusive event for everyone to enjoy.

Activities on the evening include:

Bunji Run

Bouncy Castle

Dodge ball

Beat the goalie

Face painters

Glitter tattooists

Balloon makers

Food carts

All 3 emergency services including the appliances.

Gentle reminders

We ask that children do not bring their own toys into school. We have a number of games and activities for children to use in school so this is not necessary. We also want to avoid children's personal items getting lost or damaged. Thank you for your support with this.

Can you please ensure your child brings a healthy snack and water to school rather than sweets and fizzy drinks? Similarly, if your child is bringing a packed lunch can you please ensure all items are healthy? Over this term we have seen an increase in sweets, crisps and chocolate which can have a negative impact on a child's ability to concentrate in class. Please note we are a



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nut free school and so nuts or foods containing nuts, including Nutella, must not be sent into school as we have a number of children with allergies. Thank you for your support with this.

P7 End of Term Events for your Diary

Tues 16 th May	Risk Factory
Wed 24 th May	Fundraiser Event
Wed 14 th June	High school transition day
Thurs 15 th June	High school transition day
Fri 16 th June	High school transition day
Tues 20 th June	Activities - end of term treat day
Wed 21 st June	Leavers' Disco

Please see the annual overview for whole school activities this term.

Please have a lovely weekend, everyone.