

St. Bernadette's ELC Class

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November 2025

Payment for Tiger Cubs

Term 1 and Term 2 are available to pay on ipay. If you have not yet paid these can you please do this before the end of November.



Christmas singalong

Staff are organising a Christmas singalong where all families are invited along! There will be opportunities to purchase your children's Christmas creations during this.



This will be held at 1.15pm on Tuesday 16th December.

Stay and Play

We would like to invite parents and carers to along to our 'stay and play' sessions.

These sessions are relaxed and give your child the opportunity to show their grown up what they like playing with in the ELC and they allow you to see your child in the ELC environment.

November dates

Monday 17th 9.00am-9.45am

Wednesday 19th 9.00am-9.45am

Friday 21st 9.00am-9.45am

We will have various opportunities to come in during the year so please don't worry if you can't make the above dates.

If you would like to come to this please tell a member of staff what day suits you best to come.

Health Checks

Please remember it is **Falkirk Council Policy** that a child should not return to



school or nursery until they are **48 hours clear** of any sickness / diarrhoea illness. (for example if your child was last sick at 7.30pm on a Saturday night, they are 48 hours clear on Monday at 7.30pm and can therefore return on the Tuesday if they feel well within themselves)

Regular checks for Head Lice are always recommended.

If your child is unwell the best place for them is at home. We cannot ensure children stay inside when recovering from illness as we are an outdoor nursery and children can spend a large part of their day

Lending Library

Please feel free to use our lending library to borrow books to share with your child at home. Please use the green folder to record what books you are taking are returning.



Christmas Trip

We are visiting Callendar House for a magical Christmas experience on Thursday 11th December. The cost for this will be **£14 per child**. This includes the bus there and back, and the price for the experience. This money must be paid by the 6th of December. This should be paid into your child's I-Pay account.



Appropriate Clothing

Please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing for nursery. As the weather is getting colder over the next couple of months, we ask that you provide your child with a hat and gloves which can be kept at nursery.



We also ask that your child has their own pair of wellie boots and warm waterproofs which can be kept at nursery.

We understand that the cost of living is increasing at the moment so if you are unable to provide these items to be kept in nursery, please speak to Cat.

Please make sure your child's name is on these items. It would also be helpful if you could make sure there is at least one change of clothes in your child's nursery bag.

If your child borrows nursery clothes, could these please be returned once your child has finished with them.



Can all parents please make sure their child has a thicker waterproof for the winter months as we are outdoors in all weathers and some of the waterproofs that children currently have are not warm enough causing them to be cold while we are outside.



All children should have a warm jacket for coming to nursery in as we spend a lot of time outside.

Family BookBug session

We have organised a family BookBug session for Thursday the 18th December at 9.30am

All families are welcome to attend this, even if you have been before. Younger siblings are welcome to come along too.

The link below can be used to sign up for this session .

[Family BookBug Session – Fill in form](#)



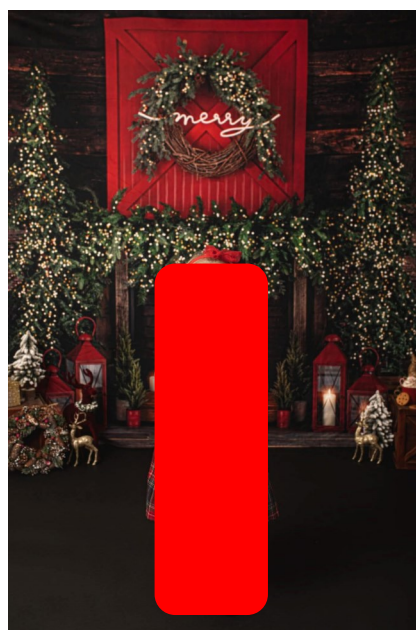
Christmas Photographs

We have arranged for Andrea Osborne Photography to come in for a Christmas Photoshoot on Wednesday the 26th November.

Siblings are welcome to come along, but parents/ carers must stay with younger siblings while these photographs are being taken.

A permission slip for this will be given out in November.

The photograph below is the backdrop that will be used during the photographs.



Donation of resources

Staff have recently done an audit of the ELC environment and have identified that we would benefit from more baby doll clothes, wooden Russian Dolls and more diverse resource such as dressing up items for role play. If you have any such items we would happily take them.



If you have any toy car garages, emergency vehicle resources (such as police cars, ambulances, fire engines, bin lorries etc.) that you are no longer using we would happily take these too.

We are also looking for donations of sand for our outdoor sand pit.

We are also on the lookout for a small dressing table if anyone knows of someone getting rid of one of these.

Raffle Prizes

We are looking for any donations you could give us to help us raise funds for the ELC.

If you know anyone with their own business that could donate a voucher we would appreciate this.

DO YOU WANT THE CHANCE TO WIN £50?!

We are selling squares for £2 a go if you would like the chance to win £50!



You can buy as many squares as you like at £2 each, but you must give the money to staff at the time of purchase.

The winning numbers will be picked using a number generator once all the squares have been filled.

Important dates



Monday 17th November —Stay and Play

Wednesday 19th November —Stay and Play

Friday 21st November —Stay and Play

Friday 28th November—Nursery closed for in-service day

Thursday 11th December—Callendar House Experience

Tuesday 16th December – Christmas Sing Along for all families

Friday 19th December—Nursery closes for Christmas holidays

Monday 5th January—Nursery reopens

Friday 13th February—Nursery closed for holiday

Monday 16th February—Nursery closed for holiday

Tuesday 17th February—Nursery closed for in-service day

Monday 6th April—Nursery closes for 2 weeks for Easter holiday

Friday 1st May—Nursery closed for in-service day

Monday 4th May—Nursery closed for holiday

Two Stars and a Wish

‘Two stars and a wish’ should be used to comment on current ELC practice. Staff use this as a way of involving parents in improvements that can be made around the ELC.

Once completed, staff will collate the responses and inform you of any changes that are being made in response to the feedback.

The ‘two stars’ is something you feel our ELC are currently good at and the ‘wish’ is something you feel our ELC could be improving.

We value your views and any suggestions/ comments are always welcome.

Please click the link below to take part

[Two Stars and a Wish – Fill in form](#)

Primary One Enrolment

Primary 1 enrolment have now to be done online.

Enrolment’s will be accepted from 1st November until 31st December 2025.

If you are enrolling your child at St. Bernadette’s RC Primary School you need to have proof of your child’s baptism.

You **MUST** enrol your child at their catchment school for your address in addition to any placing requests you may choose to submit.

If you wish to apply for your child to come to St. Bernadette’s RC Primary School, but this is not their catchment school or your child is not baptised, then please submit a placing request by following the link below

If anyone requires support with this please speak to Cat.

