



# Apple Tree Nursery News



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## Parental Partnerships

Thank you to Violet's Daddy for fixing our wall in the baby room with his brilliant plastering skills.



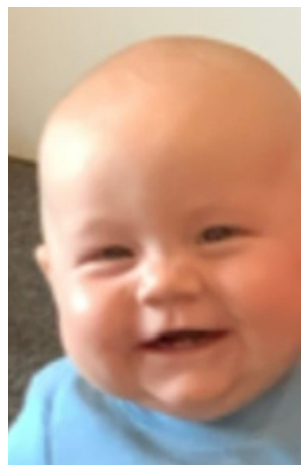
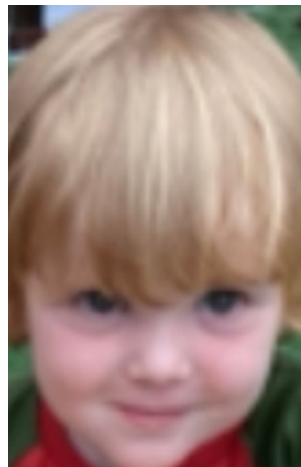
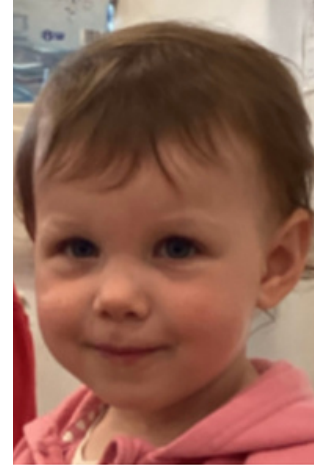
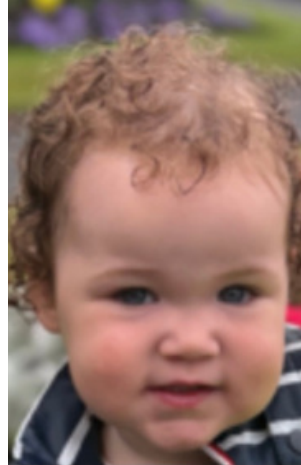
## Thank you!

A massive thank you to Blayke's Gran for her delicious banana bread and fruit loaf as a treat for the staff, Blayke is now at St. Andrews and it is lovely her Gran still thinks about us.



## Welcome

We would like to say a huge welcome to our new children who have begun at Apple Tree Nursery. Violet, Orla, Marco, Kobie, Rowan and Coll



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## Ukrainian National Day

We joined Amina and her family at Bute Yard to celebrate Ukrainian National Day with cultural food, artwork, music and dances. Amina wore her traditional Ukrainian dress. Thank you to Amina's family for their generosity, we had lots of yummy treats!



## Family Partnerships

Sofie's sister Sienna visited to make raspberry pancakes with the babies and read her "Pop a Lillie pancake" book



## Thank you !



Thank you to Steven's Mummy for the yummy snacks!

## Tempest Photography

Tempest Photography will be visiting the Nursery on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November for a Christmas Photoshoot, if you have not already, get booked in!



## Rights Partnerships

We met with Miss Standaloft from St.Andrews to discuss and plan and Rights Respecting Schools Partnership plan for the year ahead!



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## Eco Committee

🌍 Meet our Eco Leaders of 25/26 🌍  
Each leader also has their 🌳 own individual roles and responsibilities.

**Meet Our ELC Eco Leaders**  
We are so proud to introduce our five committee members, each with a special leadership role:



**Archie Eco Committee Leader** - guiding the group, helping to make decisions, and leading by example.



**Arlo Eco Wormery & Compost Leader** looking after our worms, managing compost, and teaching friends how food scraps can become healthy soil.



**Luke Eco Recycling Leader** - checking recycling bins, reminding us what belongs where.



**Chimamanda Eco Food Waste Sorting Leader** - making sure food waste is collected separately so that safe leftovers can be sent to local pigs and hens, helping reduce waste and feed our animal friends.



**Lachie Eco Energy & Water Leader** - making sure we save power and water by switching off lights, taps, and equipment when not in use.



## Chapman Family

Thank you to the Chapman family for donating foam literacy and numeracy mats for our children to use in their outdoor areas.

*Thank you*



Responding to Jacob's interests in puzzles he visited the shops to look for jigsaws and bought one from Bargain Buys.

## Bake Sale



Nola from the Children's Committee was accompanied by Megan to attend Rothesay Golf Club to present Kenny, Betty and their family with a cheque from the donations from the Bake sale. Our total was £320.05!! Thank you to all who donated to donate to Woodland View School 🍏🌳

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## Thank You Gibby and Archie

Thank you to Gibby, Archie and their families for always gifting us with their home grown flowers to brighten up our Nursery! 🌻



## Thank you Bute Tools

Thank you to Bute Tools for your kind donation of a football, the babies went straight off to the park to play with their new ball!



## Leo's Diner



Leo and his key person, Caitlin, set up a unique snack time called "Leo's Diner"! Inspired by his mummy, who works at the local diner.

## Rights Committee

Welcome to our Rights Committee for 25/26

We have had our first committee meeting and lots of ideas for this term, our meetings take place every Tuesday afternoon!



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## Food Critics

Our Children's Committee have become Food Critics within the community. Our aim is to visit a restaurant or cafe each month and deliver our thoughts. This month we went to Ettrick Bay Cafe.

We tried their homemade baking including chocolate orange brownie, a donut and a cinnamon bun 🍌 Here's what our committee thought!

"mine tastes like honey" - Lewis

"Tastes like a donut" - Scott

"It's nice" - Nola

"Tastes like sugar" - Meadow

"I like that surfboard" - Lewis

"It's next to the beach with the crabs" - Scott



## Thank you Rhys & Joanne



Rhys' Budgie came to visit Autumn and her friends. Thank you to Joanne for bringing the budgie in 🦜

## Exciting News



Mirren and Brody are thrilled to announce the grand opening of Eider Bakery, lovingly run by Mirren's mum Gillian and Brody's auntie Lyndy, in Port Bannatyne!

## Annie the Minibus

This month, Annie the minibus was borrowed by Rothesay Bowling Club, Brandane Bulls, Print Point (Bute Noir) and Bute Highland Games



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## Farming Committee

Meet the Bute Mini Agricultural Club committee for 2025/26: 🐔🐷🐮🐾🐽

Going forward the “farming committee” will meet every Monday morning when they will hold their committee meetings to discuss and plan for farming events for the nursery.

Their first order of business was to decide on a name for our farm shop. We would like to thank everyone who left a name suggestion on our post. The committee would like to introduce their farm shop as “Hitch and Harvest”.



## Rights Respecting School - Gold Party



Let's celebrate this massive achievement together! The theme is gold, let's all dress up and party in style!

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# Staff News

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## Long Service Award



We celebrate an amazing milestone — 26 years at Apple Tree Nursery! 🌟

Thank you, Heather for the care, love and dedication you've shown to so many children and families over the years. We are so grateful to have you as part of our team 🍏🌳

## Training

Lesley-Anne attended training on 'The Promise' this training is focused on how best to support cared for children.

Megan attended a two day training course to continue her knowledge Neuro-diversity

Stephanie trained in Domestic Abuse Awareness Training.

## Sponsored walk

Stephanie is taking on the Walk 30 miles in September challenge to raise money for Cancer Research, alongside her brother, sister, niece and nephews. They have set up a team fundraising page so please donate if you can to support their team in memory of their Mum ☐

## Years of Service

Well done to Lauren for completing a whole year at Apple Tree Nursery and without a single sick day! 🌟 Thank you for your hard work and commitment over the past year 🍏🌳



## Team Building Night Rothesay Bowling Club

We enjoyed a team building night at Rothesay Bowling Club, where we competed in a friendly game of bowls with Hannah, Caitlin and Jonny being the winning team!



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# Wider Achievements

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Congratulations to everyone for their Wider Achievements over the past month! Including the Cattle Show, charity walks, Highland Games and more! 🏆 1 2 3



# Upcoming Events

## Brandane Bulls

Brandane Bulls game Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September at Rothesay Joint Campus AstroTurf, come along and support them!



**CAKE SALE**

Connor & Ellie  
are hosting a Cake Sale for  
Macmillan Coffee Morning  
- Macmillan Cancer Support is  
a charity close to all our hearts  
so please come along & support  
them both.

Sunday 21st September  
12 o'clock onwards  
Mountclare Gardens

 **WE ARE  
MACMILLAN.  
CANCER SUPPORT**




**Peep**

ELC's 6 week block Peep  
session coming soon....

The 3<sup>rd</sup> of September our  
first session will begin at  
4:15-5pm



Charmayne our peep  
practitioner will be  
hosting the session  
and showing you the  
importance of home  
learning




**St. Andrew's Primary**  
Community  
**Bookbug Sessions**

Toddlers and their parents/ carers  
are invited to come along to our school to enjoy  
**STORIES, SONGS AND RHYMES**  
with our trained Bookbug Leader, Angela Crichton

It's a fun way to develop language and social skills,  
as well as promoting emotional wellbeing.

Our first session this school year is in our school library at 2pm on ...  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**



We hope to see you there!



**COACHES & TEAM HELPERS  
WANTED!**

We are looking for coaches and team helpers to join  
us, helping the children of our community have  
access to football on the island!

Some benefits include:

- Coaching Courses (paid by the club)  
great addition to your CV
- Kit Supplied
- Free training for your child
- PVG applications handled by the club

