

TYNEWATER ELC MARCH 2024 NEWSLETTER



DIARY DATES

16th April – return to school

3rd May – PC Coffee Morning

6th May – May Day Holiday

10th May – Parent Council Meeting in school

20th May – Staff Inservice Day (no pupils in school)

MAKING APPLE JUICE

A small group of children asked if we could make our own apple juice, this provided an opportunity to use our ipad to search for a recipe then discuss which one would be best to use. Once the recipe had been chosen and printed we then collected our ingredients and got busy following the instructions and taking turns to chop and pour ingredients.

This activity provided the children with many experiences of turn taking, following instructions and keeping ourselves safe when using knives and using the cooker.

The end product was a great success as we ended up with not only lovely apple juice but one of the children realised that we still had the apple left over and asked if we could use them to make an apple crumble for snack.





LEARNING TO USE COINS

The children decided to set up a shop in ELC using real money. The children were provided with real coins to explore, which led to a discussion about ways we can use money in our daily experiences.

One of the children suggested that we should go to the shop to buy snack. Whilst in the shop the cashier interacted with the children asking them how much money they had then how much change had been given back.

All the children have interacted with our money activity sharing their knowledge of saving pennies in their piggy banks, to grown-ups using coins and cards to pay for items.

UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION

On 22nd February, we were visited in our ELC by the Care Inspectorate. The visit was unannounced, but we were pleased to welcome Linda James to our setting.

We are pleased to share that the inspection was positive, with overall 'Good' ratings and our inspection report is now published. This will be shared on our school website.

We thank all parents/ carers who returned their feedback questionnaires.

SPRING COMPETITION

Over the holidays, we will be running a Spring Competition for children. Our Parent Council have kindly offered to provide prizes for the winners. All entries will receive two House Points for their House.

The children can create a decorated egg, shoebox spring scene or spring themed painting/drawing. Deadline for submission will be 19th April 2024.





WE'RE GOING ON A BEAR HUNT

On a very wet Thursday morning we decided it was the perfect weather for going on a Bear hunt and to retell the story! Everyone put on their waterproofs and wellies and off we went down Dreepie for an adventure. We all kept our eyes peeled for the Bear as we squelched through the mud and swished through the grass.

We hope you enjoyed watching our adventure on seesaw!