



Little Acorns preschool, Village Hall, Tatsfield TN16 2AG
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Dear parents and carers

END OF TERM NEWSLETTER

So, we have reached the end of another school year and not one that has been without its problems! Thank you to all our families and children for your continued support and understanding during some difficult times. The children have all been amazingly resilient to the changes and all have exceeded our expectations.

GOODBYES!

At the end of term, we will be saying goodbye to 14 wonderful children as they start their 'big' school adventure. We know that they will all be excited, if a little apprehensive, of their new setting. We are sure that they will quickly adjust and continue to grow and learn with the same enthusiasm and enjoyment they have all shown during their time at Little Acorns. So, farewell to Reece, Fox, Willow, Alice, Jessica, Alice, Heidi, Olivia, Roberta, Edward, Elizabeth, Riley, Kayden and Emily. We wish you all lots of luck and hope that you will pop in and see us or send us a photo of you in your new school uniform, we would love to stay in touch.

We also bid farewell to 5 of our younger children who will be leaving us to join new preschools closer to their homes or their siblings' new schools. These little ones will be missed lots and again we wish them loads of luck. Goodbye to Jack, Tommy, Charlie, Thea and Alice!

TERM DATES

For everyone returning, our new term starts on Monday 6th September. The years term dates are:

Autumn Term

Mon 6th Sept – Friday 17th December 2021

(Half term 25th -29th October)

Spring Term

Mon 10th Jan – Thu 31st May 2022

(Easter Break Friday 1st – Mon 18th Apr)

Note Preschool Closed Monday 2nd May Bank Holiday and Thursday 5th May 2022 – Polling Day

Summer Term

Tue 19th Apr – Fri 22nd July 2022

(Half term 30th May- 3rd Jun)

SEPTEMBER FUNDING

If you claim 30-hour funding, please do not forget to renew your code during the summer break. This must be renewed by 28th August, or you may not receive your funded hours.

If you think you may be eligible to claim the 30-hour funding, please see www.childcarechoices.gov.uk for confirmation and registration. To claim your child must be aged 3-4 years, you and your partner, or you as a single parent must be working a minimum of 16 hours per week (you can be self-employed) with an income of under £100,000. You can be in receipt of some benefits and still claim funding so please have a look.



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All children automatically receive 15 hours of free childcare the term following their 3rd birthday, you do not need to register to receive this.

FEET funding is also available for some families of 2 year old children, this funding is offered to families in receipt of income support, universal credit or job seekers allowance. Again, please check the government website www.childcarechoices.gov.uk for further information.

Surrey County Council forms will be sent home to confirm funding and sessions attended at the start of the new term. Please make sure you complete and return this form urgently to receive your funded hours.

DATA COLLECTION FORMS

More forms will be sent out to everyone (sorry) in September for you to complete with contact details etc. Please ensure that the correct emergency telephone numbers and address details are given on the form and return this as soon as possible.

UNIFORM

We have stock of children's uniforms, so if you would like to order a t-shirt or sweatshirt ready for the new school year, please email Katie in the office. Don't forget to order your name tags too from mynametags.co.uk and quote our reference 84086!

NEW STARTERS

When we return in September there will be a lot of new faces, so please give them a warm welcome. We have 12 new children starting with us and they are all very excited!

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

If you would like to join our team of committee members, we would love to have you. Please make a note in your diary for our annual AGM meeting on Monday 27th September and come along for a chat, a glass of wine and see what it's all about!

BREAKFAST CLUB

Come September we will be able to offer our Breakfast Club facility to all children. Breakfast Club is open Mon-Fri from 7:15am and needs to be prebooked at a cost of £7 per session. If you receive funded hours, 8-9am can be included in your allocated hours. Please contact Katie on the email above to book your place or for further information. Please beware that the Breakfast Club is open subject to government guidelines which may change.

VILLAGE PICNIC

It's the Tatsfield Community Picnic on Sunday 15th August and we have a stall on the green. We would love some more volunteers to help run the Teddy Tombola so please add your name to the list outside the hall doors. You still have a couple of days to get your Teddy donations in.

All that is left is to wish all of our families a wonderful summer!

The Little Acorns Team