

October 2024 Newsletter

We have been ever so impressed how well all the children have settled in to Pre-school. We have had the occasional tears but everyone happily engaged in all the activities. We talked about Autumn time, they made craft with natural resources and learned about farm animals, not to mention milking our in-house cow and goat!



New topic



After half term we will learn about the Hindu festival of Divali and re-cap bonfire night. We will also be looking at different modes of transport and focus on road safety as well as talking about Winter and most exciting of all, we will of course start preparing for our Christmas show! Details to follow.

Individual photograph



The photo proofs have been sent home. Please note that your order should be made by 8th November to qualify for free delivery.

Parents Teacher meetings: Week beginning 11th November



The children's Autumn reports will be sent home at the beginning of November. If you wish to make an appointment with your child's key person, the appointment schedule will be displayed on the notice board after half-term.



Forest school - Yoga sessions



We will be planning yoga sessions in the infant school hall as well as forest school sessions over the next few weeks. We do have overalls and wellies so you do not need to bring any, however, please make sure your child wears weather appropriate clothing as the weather is changing.



Staff news

We are delighted to inform you that Miss Megan Sumner will be joining our Newdigate Pre-school team from 4th November. Miss Sumner has had experience working with early years and primary school children in different settings. We hope you will join us in welcoming Miss Sumner to Newdigate Pre-school.



Reception 2025/2026

The deadline for Reception applications 2025/2026 is 15th January 2025.

Pre-school fees & Funding

Could you please settle your invoices before the end of half term unless you have already done so and remember to re-apply for your code if you are in the grace period.



Parental support

The Children and Family Health Surrey

Families with children from birth to 19 years old can telephone their advice Line on **01883 340 922** from 8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays). They provide **support on all aspects of child health, development and parenting.**

Mental Health Foundation / Home-Mind

These are both leading charities that offer advice and support to anyone who is facing mental health problems. Their websites include a useful A-Z of mental health topics.

5 steps to mental wellbeing - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

steps you can take to improve your mental health and wellbeing and feel more positive.

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Dairy dates

Autumn Term	
First day back	Monday 4 th November 2024
Christmas show	Wednesday 11 th December 2024
Last day of term	Wednesday 18 th December
Spring Term	
Start of Spring term	Monday 6 th January 2025
Half term	17 th -21 st February 2025
Mother's day celebration	Wednesday 26 th March 2025
Easter Bonnet parade	Friday 4 th April 2025
End of Spring term	
Summer Term	
Start of Summer term	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025
Half term	26 th - 30 th May 2025
Father's day celebration	Wednesday 11 th June 2025
Sports day	Wednesday 25 th June 2025
Graduation ceremony (Squirrels)	Wednesday 9 th July 2025
Last day of term:	Friday 19 th July 2025

We wish you a lovely half term
Newdigate Pre-school

