



Welcome back and we trust you had an enjoyable summer. We would also like to welcome our new children and parents/carers to our Pre-School and hope you have a fruitful and enjoyable time with us. If there is anything else you would like to know that was not covered on the registration day please do not hesitate to talk to Ruby, Iva or your child's Key Person.

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2025
Monday 1st Sept 2025
Thursday 18th Dec 2025
Half Term
Monday 27th Oct 2025
Friday 31st Oct 2025
Christmas Holidays
Friday 19th Dec 2025
Friday 5th January 2026
Inset Days (closed)
Monday 1st Sept 2025
Tuesday 2nd Sept 2025
Friday 19th December 25

Topic is: All About Me

Children will be learning how to share (turn taking) and building relationships with adults and peers.

Communication and Language

- Life size sketch of myself and naming body parts

Physical Development

- Ways I can move (music with movement), Learning to wash hands independently

Literacy

- Decorating Name Initials, Mrs Honey's hat (Core book)

Maths

- How big are my feet, Shapes sticking activity

Understanding of the World

- Making fruit faces, favourite toy day

Expressive Arts and Design

- My paper doll, Drawing faces with shaving foam

Topics for this term (for the full focussed activity list please see notice board outside the pre-school main door)

Parents and Carer please note we have a...



NO
Cameras



NO
Mobile
Phones



NO
Food/
Drink

Dates for your diary

October

Harvest - Last day Wednesday 8th October
Wear it PINK Breast Cancer fundraising TBC
Black History month

November

Diwali—Hindu festival—
Remembrance day— 11TH
Anti Bullying Week — Monday 10th
BBC Children in Need fundraising- TBC
Road Safety Week 17th
AGM- TBC details to follow

December

Christmas Carols TBC



Settling in/Toys



Unless it is your child's settling in period, we would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents/carers that dressing up outfits/toys and games are discouraged from being brought in from home. Although we encourage imaginative play, the pre-school provides dressing up outfits and toys for all children, and loss and breakage is always a possibility. If you would like to bring anything in from home for show and tell, please hand the item to a member of staff so this can be discussed during session.

Nut Allergy

We have children that have severe nut allergies. Please remain vigilant when sending your child into pre-school, that they do not have any nut products (all nuts) in their bags. We also ask parents not to bring in any **TREATS** (such as Birthday Cake) unless they have checked the ingredients carefully. Packaging must be checked **TO ENSURE THE PRODUCT IS SAFE FOR NUT ALLERGY SUFFERERS.**

PLEASE



Harvest Festival

Please donate tinned or packet food for the Harvest festival by Wednesday 8th October 2025. Contributions will be greatly appreciated and all donations will be given to the Night Shelter. Please bring them in and place them in the box outside the pre-school. Thank you.



Donations

As a voluntary organisation we rely on the support from our parents/carers to help us cover the costs of snacks. We ask for 50p per session towards this. Please make your donations either:

Daily: 50p Weekly: £2.50 Half Term: £15.00 Term: £32.50

You can pay your donations via bank transfer to: **TSB St Catherine's & St Pauls PCC Cornerstone U5s** Sort Code: **30-95-03**

Account Number: 00488229 please quote your child's name on all payments.

Clothing

Please ensure your child wears appropriate clothing for the Autumn Term, for example, jumpers, rain coats, hats, wellies etc. Please name your child's clothing for easy Identification.

AGM

Date for the next Annual General Meeting TBC
More details too follow.

Scooters

Please do not leave any scooters unattended, as the pre-school cannot be responsible if they break or disappear. They are also a health & safety risk.



Jewellery

Jewellery should not be worn in preschool, in particular hooped earrings please. This is a health and safety requirement and we cannot be responsible for lost items. For **health and safety reasons**, and to prevent **choking**



Spare Clothes

Please provide your child with spare clothes in case they need to be changed. Please make sure you have labelled them with your child's name.



We encourage children to eat healthy. Children who stay for lunch are not permitted sweets/bars of chocolate or fizzy drinks in their lunch boxes. We ask that children do not have grapes or cherry tomatoes in their lunch boxes unless they have been cut in quarters, as they are a choke hazard.

For more information please see our packed lunch



Updates

Please remember to inform us if any information changes for example:

- Your phone number
- Your home address
- Your email address
- Your child's allergies
- Your child's medication
- Your emergency contact details

Fees

For any parents not receiving the Free Early Education Entitlement who are paying fees, could you please ensure that any money due is paid on or before your child's first session of the week. Fees are payable in termly, monthly or weekly in advance if you prefer. Special brown envelopes for consumable fees are available. Please note that fees need to be paid directly into the bank. (The bank details are on your child's invoice). Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



Collecting/Dropping Children Off

Until further notice children will be dropped off through the church at 9AM, they will also be collected via the front entrance at 12.00PM.

Afternoon drop off and collection will be via the car park entrance. Thanks you for your understanding.

No unauthorised parking. Please make sure your child is with you at all times as the car park is still in use.

Sickness, Holidays & other absences

Please ensure that you let us know as early as possible that day if your child will not be attending for any reason. This is an important requirement for all parents and carers.



Letters and Newsletters

If you require any additional copies of any correspondence sent to you



Mobile Phones

These must not be used once inside the Pre-school.



Information sharing

We would love to hear if your child has done anything during the Summer break. You may wish to include photos which then can be added to our parent/carer notice board.

Children's in tray

Please remember to empty your child's in tray regularly. This will give you an opportunity to discuss what they have made and what they did at the pre-school.



Follow up information

If we have any urgent or follow up notices we will email them. So ensure you give us an up to date email.



Recycling

We need your newspaper, plastic pots, empty cereal boxes and cartons for our junk modelling. No plastic/bottles or toilet roll tubes please. Thank you.

