



# Newsletter

We have just a few weeks left until the end of this preschool year – it's going to be a fun few weeks! Please read below for more news; please also take note of our housekeeping page that contains some important and useful information.

## Thank you!

In our last newsletter of the academic year we always like to say a huge thank you to all of our parents and carers for sending your little ones to Hatch Warren Under Fives and allowing us to be part of their amazing early years journey. Working with your children every day has been truly wonderful. We wish our older children lots of luck and continued success at their primary schools, please do keep in touch occasionally and let us know how they are getting on!

## What we're doing this half term

There's lots happening in our final few weeks – our older children are excited about moving up to their new schools, they are having settling in days and they are learning many new independence skills.

We are holding our annual **sports day** – this is a sponsored event and a really fun way to raise funds. The money raised helps us buy lots of new toys and resources for the children. Thank you to those that have already sent in sponsorship money, there is still time to raise a few more pennies if you haven't yet submitted your form! Next week the children will be bringing their Daddy's to preschool to celebrate Father's Day and to finish the year we will be having a lovely Graduation celebration for our school leavers.

There will be lots of time spent outdoors over the next few weeks – don't forget hats and to apply suncream!

## Leaver's group photo

We are having a group photo of our class of 2025 on Thursday 26th June at 9.30am. If your child is not usually in preschool on Thursdays, but is going to school this year, please bring them in for our leaver's photo

## Father's Day Celebrations

We are celebrating Father's Day with our Daddy's in preschool during w/c 16<sup>th</sup> June from 9am-9.45am each day. If you haven't yet booked your space, please see any member of the team to book in.

## Graduation Party and Last Preschool Sessions

Please could all children that are leaving for big school save the date of Thursday 17th July. We will be hosting a graduation celebration for children and families. Please note, this is for children going to primary school only. More details to follow soon. Last sessions of preschool will be Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

## September 2025 sessions – returning children

Sessions are now confirmed for September 2025. If you require any changes to your sessions please let us know as soon as possible.

## Lost Property

Please check that you have all of your belongings before the end of term, we currently have a lot of clothing on the trolley. Lost property will be disposed of into charity collections over the summer holidays.

## Fee increases – September 2025

Hourly fees for children under 3 years old will be increasing from September. The new hourly rate will be £6.75. The fees for 3 and 4 year olds taking hours above their government funded allowance will remain the same at £6 per hour.

## 30 Hour Codes

If you intend to apply for a 30 hour funding code, please ensure this is done before 31<sup>st</sup> August.

## Old Uniform

If your child is leaving preschool, please consider donating old uniform for us to sell in our preloved collections, our stocks are currently low. Please see Lisa or Siobhan if you have any old uniform to donate.

## House Keeping

### **NO NUTS in lunchboxes, NO POPCORN in lunchboxes & PLEASE SLICE GRAPES**

We have children in preschool with **severe allergies** to nuts and traces of nuts. We are a completely **nut-free** preschool so please don't include nuts, or nut-based products (Including chocolate spread) in packed lunches. Please **DO NOT PACK POPCORN**, this is a choking hazard and always **SLICE GRAPES AND MINI SAUSAGES** - whole grapes are a serious choking hazard to preschoolers, please slice lengthways.

### **30 hours funding**

If you are claiming 30 hours childcare, please remember to keep your account up to date. To keep your 30 hours funding active, you need to check your details are up to date every 3 months. Go to [gov.uk/childcareaccount](https://gov.uk/childcareaccount).

### **Asthma Inhalers**

If your child has asthma and has been prescribed an inhaler, please ensure you bring an inhaler and spacer into preschool with your child. Please do not leave these in bags – please hand to a member of staff.

### **Easy Clothing!**

At HWU5s we encourage children to practice skills which make them independent, such as taking themselves to the toilet and taking off and putting on outdoor clothes (great preparation for school, especially for PE lessons!). Please could you dress your child in “easy clothing” for preschool to help them manage these tasks. Please could we ask that you label all of your children's clothing and bags.

### **Accidents Outside of Preschool**

Please inform us at the start of your child's session if they have had an accident at home. It is helpful for us to know of a pre-existing injury just in case we are unsure if it happened whilst at preschool.

### **Quarantine Reminder for Sickness and Diarrhoea**

Just a little reminder that if your child has sickness and/or diarrhoea they should not return to preschool until they have had at least 48 hours clear. This will help prevent the spread of the virus and also help protect staff from illness.

### **Absence**

Please always give us a quick call to notify us if your child is absent on 01256 322788. It's important that we keep our registers up to date.

### **Prescribed Medication**

Please speak to staff to ensure full details are given and recorded should your child require medication to be administered.

### **Medications in Bags**

If your child brings any form of medication into preschool including Vaseline, lip salve, anti bacterial hand gel, please could you hand it to a member of staff and not leave in the children's bags. Thank you.

### **Pre-loved Uniform**

Lisa has a selection of pre-loved uniform items for sale. All proceeds from pre-loved uniform sales go towards our preschool's fundraising. Please see Lisa if you are interested in taking a look.

### **Help Raise Funds for our Preschool**

As you know our preschool is a charity, so fund raising is vitally important to us - it helps us update and add to our toys and resources for the children. There are easy ways to help us raise some much needed additional funds - you could be helping us raise money each time you shop online...

You can raise valuable funds for our preschool when shopping online with many other retailers such as John Lewis, Sainsburys, Argos, M&S and many more... Just by registering with easyfundraising.

Easyfundraising is the UK's biggest charity shopping fundraising site. It's simple to use and it doesn't cost you anything!

You could help our preschool so much, just by logging in to easyfundraising and going shopping!

- <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hatchwarrenu5s/>

Once you've registered - perhaps you could spread the word to family and friends to help us raise more!

### **Stay & Play with your child**

Parents are always welcome to stay and play at preschool sessions – just let a member of staff know that you're staying and follow the safeguarding procedures that you'll find when you sign in the visitor's book.

## Dates for your Diary

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| Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June   | Caterpillars sports day - 10.30am |
| Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June | Butterflies sports day – 10am     |
| w/c 16 <sup>th</sup> June       | Father's Day week                 |
| Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June  | Group Leavers Photo @ 9.30am      |
| Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July | Last preschool sessions           |
| Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July  | Graduation Party – Leavers only   |

Full term dates are listed on our calendar, which you can view on our website here:  
<https://hatchwarren.hatchwarrenunderfives.co.uk/diary/list/>

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### \*2025/26 Term Dates

Term dates and details of closure days for the 2025/26 academic year are available to view on our website here: <https://hatchwarren.hatchwarrenunderfives.co.uk/topic/calendar>