

Any queries about the code validation process for new childcare entitlements, please click on the link [here](#) for FAQ's.



Road closures around NVH from now until 26th May
Please allow extra time for pick ups

Newsletter April 2025

Thank you all in advance as we get used to our new opening and closing times; 9am to 3pm. Please note this has become necessary due to the government changing how the FEEE funding can be delivered. Please plan ahead if you need to have a chat with your child's key person, the staff are on rolling hours to deliver these extended times and some staff may have to leave at 2.45pm/3pm to pick up their own children.

Please do not leave collecting your child to the last minute and please do not be late - we will be enforcing a late pick up charge.....

Thank you to everyone who came to the Easter service and supported our Sponsored Easter Egg Hunt. Thank you, Rev Julie for organising the service. We raised £545 😊



James, Pam's son in law, ran in the Brentwood Half Marathon again for us and raised just over £200! Thank you very much James ❤️ The company he works for has agreed to match fund this 😊



Little Urchins Photography
NEXT Tuesday morning 29th April
Pirates and Fairies
open to all and siblings too!

Please look at our online safety information on our website [here](#)

Open afternoons for
September 2025 new starts
Tues May 20th and Wed May 21st

12.30pm to 1.30pm

1.30pm to 2.30pm

Look out for letters inviting you to one of these sessions if you have a child starting with us in Sept

Yellow Team

Please make sure we have the correct hours for your child and any SIBLINGS for September 2025 ASAP

Please celebrate when your child gets a 'WOW' or Superstar award. This has been well deserved!

Last year we raised just under £580 with easyfundraising – If you haven't signed up, please click on the link [here](#) to go to the easyfundraising website

HEALTHY LUNCHBOXES PLEASE



REMEMBER
ICE BLOCKS



Please see our website for ideas on [healthy lunches](#)

Please think about:

- salt content e.g. only a small portion of crisps
- sugar content e.g. only 1 cupcake or 1 biscuit

Please [slice cucumber, tomatoes & grapes lengthways & in quarters to prevent choking!!](#) See Choking hazards

Please look at our website for more info on our [healthy snack](#)

Please click on the link [here](#) to read the updated parent contract following the recent hours/fees changes

Look at our [website](#) for lots of information and for relevant [policies and procedures](#)

**We regularly remind the children,
'Kind hands, Kind feet, Kind words'. You may like to use these phrases too**

Children born between 1st April and 31st August are funded in Sept. **30 hour Extended Funding** - parents please apply **NOW** if you want to claim from **Sept 2025**

September 2025 sessions

Please make sure we have the correct hours for your child especially if they are newly funded.

Illnesses

If your child is sick or has diarrhoea, they need to be 48 hours clear from the last episode before returning to Little Doves



Funding for eligible working parents of 2 year olds

This [link](#) gives details on what entitlements parents may be able to receive.

Parents can apply for the entitlements via the following [link](#)

Please pay your invoices asap
Needed - spare boys joggers aged 3/4/5
If anyone can donate the extra item to us from "2 for 3" or "buy 1 get 1 free" offers that would be great.



Following requests from the children, **Rocky's Animals** will be visiting the **pre-school again on Tues 1st July**

(We will ask for a chargeable extra contribution of £10 towards this which will be on your invoice next half term)

Green Team Sports Day
Plan A – 12th June afternoon
Plan B – 26th June afternoon
more details to follow

Yellow Team Sports Day
to be arranged

Key person visits

If you would like to see your key person or your child's folder, please let Pam know and we can arrange an appointment

Very important

You **MUST** let us know if anyone different is picking up your child. Please fill in the correct collection form and tell whoever is on the door who will put it in the Sign-in register. Also remember to tell the person collecting the 'password'

Last day of term & celebration day
Friday 18th July

Leaver's ceremony 12.15pm
finish by 1.30pm

More details to follow

Leavers - your child's keyperson may contact you about information for your child's transition passport soon



STRICT NO NUT POLICY
in packed lunches for children & staff. NO peanut butter or nut related spreads such as Nutella or almond pastes. We have several children with SEVERE ALLERGIES



PLEASE REMEMBER TO LABEL ALL YOUR CHILD'S BELONGINGS; COATS, BAGS, DRINK BOTTLES, LUNCHES, WELLIES etc

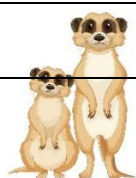
Dates for your diary 2025

Summer term finishes: **Friday 18th July**
Half term: **Mon 26th May to Fri 30th May**
Non-pupil day: **Tuesday 22nd July**
Autumn term starts: **Wed 3rd Sept (tbc)**

Wonky Wednesdays

We open at **9am** and finish at **12 noon**.
This term: **May 14th June 11th July 9th**

PLEASE REMEMBER
our latest pickup time is 3pm



Our meerkats are out on their travels, please look out for them and take one on your travels!

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With love & prayers, Pam & the Little Doves team

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