



Newsletter June 2026

Welcome!

Since our last newsletter we have said hello to one new Little Sunbeam; Charlie; we hope he thoroughly enjoys his learning journey with us.

We also said hello to the littlest member of the Little Sunbeams family. As Robyn and Lawrence announced the birth of Baby Mila. Congratulations!

Goodbye!

Its also almost that time when we say goodbye to our 2026 cohort as they get ready to continue their learning journeys in year R. We wish goodbye and good luck to : Ayla, Eva, Jaxon, Jeorge, Lacey-May, Marlowe, Mirha, Ruby-Jean and Teddy. We also say goodbye and good luck to Eddie who is leaving us in July.

Last Day of Term

A reminder that our last day of term is Thursday 16th July. Preschool will close at 12 noon on this day. Children will not need to bring a packed lunch.

Graduation

A reminder that the 'Graduation' for our preschool leavers will take place between 12noon and 12.30pm on Thursday 16th July. Up to 2 Parent/Carers per child are invited to come into preschool for this short celebration. We ask that if possible any school age siblings do not attend this event.

Leavers Party

A reminder that our leavers party (for those children leaving us to start Year R in September) is at Wonder in Fareham Shopping Centre on Friday 17th July. Between 10 and 12 noon. This is for children and up to 2 of their parents/carers to attend. You must stay with your child throughout.

Summer Holiday Tapestry Request

We love hearing what you get up to in the school holidays. Please remember to upload a photo or two in the summer holidays so we can talk with your child about this when they return in September. This could be a holiday away, a trip to the park or baking at home. All the children love to show us what they have done with the special people in their lives.

Fee Increase

Please note our non-funded fee rate will increase to £6.60 from September 2026. We hope this doesn't cause any of our families any hardship. However we feel this rate is comparable with other settings in the area and is still good value. We are also one of the few settings that do not charge a registration fee or for any other consumables; snack, wipes, craft, sun cream etc.

NSPCC Pantosaurus and Undressed Song

As more of our children have access to mobile devices please find below links to the Pantosaurus and the undressed song.

Wish List

A big thank you to everyone who has donated items on our wish list texts, we are really very grateful for your generosity.

Committee Meeting

Our next committee meeting will take place on Tuesday 8th September at 7pm in our preschool room, all parents are welcome to attend. This is your opportunity to find out more about the running of the preschool.

Reminder for parents claiming '30 hours childcare' in the Autumn 2026 term

All parents who are working and want to claim funded extended hours (30 hours childcare), **must** make sure they have applied to [HMRC](#) no later than 31 August 2026. All parents with a 30 hours code need to make sure their details are up to date. They must do this every three months: <https://www.gov.uk/sign-in-childcare-account>.

All new codes must be verified by preschool by 31st August 2026, if you think you are eligible and wish to take up this funding please speak to a member of staff asap.

Tax Free Childcare If you pay childcare fees you may be able to get help with paying for this through the Tax Free Childcare scheme. Visit www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare to get more information and check your eligibility.

Name Everything Please

Can you please ensure your child's possessions are named (Water bottle, lunchbox etc, coat etc.) With a lot of children in at the same time and with some duplicate items, matching items to their owners can be very confusing.

Family Photo album

We have a photo album in preschool holding photos of the children with their families. This is a real talking point for the children and can also be a comfort when they need to see photos of their loved ones. Could you please create an observation on your child's Tapestry Journal and attach a recent photo.(Please include in the observation the names of all the family members shown.) We will then print this out.

Policies

Our policies are regularly reviewed and updated. Please go to our website to read the current policies.

Waypoint Hub

The Waypoint Hub provides food parcels and support to those who need it. It is situated in the same building as the preschool. It is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays 9am to 12 noon.

Services offered include:

Food Parcels – For anyone who is struggling and needs help with food, either as a one off or to help you get through a difficult period

More 4 Less – For a £5 donation you can get at least £15 worth of items (Fresh, Frozen, Tinned, Packets, Household and Toiletries)

Citizens Advice Outreach – Drop in to get advice Tuesdays 10am – 12 noon

DON'T STRUGGLE ALONE – HELP IS AVAILABLE

Dates for your diary

Last Day of Academic Year – Thursday 16th July – Preschool closes at 12 noon

Leavers Graduation Thursday 16th July – 12 noon to 12.30

Leavers Party Friday 17th July – 10am to 12noon – Wonder Fareham

First Day of Autumn Term – Tuesday 1st September 2026

Committee Meeting – Tuesday 8th September – 7pm – 8pm in setting

Useful Links

Online Safety for Under 5s [Keeping Under Fives Safe Online | Childnet](#)

NSPCC The Pantosaurus Song [Talk PANTS with Pantosaurus and his PANTS song #TalkPANTS](#)

NSPCC The Undressed Song [The Undressed Song - Oct 21 update - see undressed.lgfl.net for the story and lesson activities - YouTube](#)

Choking Hazards Advice [Early Years Food Choking Hazards](#)

Car Seat Rules [Child car seats: the law: Using a child car seat or booster seat - GOV.UK](#)

Hampshire Domestic Abuse Partnership Advice Line – 03300 165112

Best Start in Life – Funding advice [Best Start in Life - Best Start in Life](#)

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