



November 2023 Newsletter

Dates for Diary



Children in Need Friday 17th November
Photographer Wednesday 6th December
Autumn Term 2023 last day Friday 15th
December 2023

Christmas Post Box last collection in pre-school
Wednesday 13th December.

Spring Term first day of Spring Term is Tuesday 2nd
January 2024

A calendar of opening times can be found on our web
site www.saplingspreschool.co.uk under 'Our Week'.

Education



Starting School in September 2024: If
your child will be 4 years old between 1st
September 2023 and 31 August 2024, that is,
born between 1 September 2019 and 31
August 2020, they will be entitled to start school in
September 2024. You can apply online for a place
from Wednesday 1st November until the deadline of
Monday 15th January 2024.

**Your child will be given a card to assist with
their application.**

www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions

*Online notifications of your allocated place is 16th April
2024, waiting list established 30th April.*

Open days for schools:

Burnham Copse Primary School: Thurs 16 Nov 9.30am

Bishopswood Infant School: Thurs 2 Nov 1.30pm

Tadley Community Primary School:
Tours start from Wednesday 27th September

Ashford Hill Primary School: Wed 8 Nov 9.30am, Mon 27
Nov 9.30am

Silchester C of E Primary School: Wed 1 Nov 9am

Organisation



**Carol is The Manager of The Saplings
Pre-School with overall responsibility**
for the setting, **Chloe** is responsible in
her absence. **Vicky is The Seedlings
Leader** and is responsible for

'Seedlings' and 'Acorns'. **Chloe**

Parking



Can I please politely remind parents about the
safety of children using the cul-de-sac to
arrive and/or leave school and pre-school. It
has been reported that the speed of some parents
reversing has put our children at risk. Please be mindful
of our little ones and if possible, park away from the
gates or even out of the cul-de-sac. Thank you.

Health and Safety



Hazards of Autumn As you will have
noticed we are already experiencing the
hazards of Autumn. Berries and leaves
are covering the ground and we will do
our best to clear these as often as
possible. The trees are variations of Sorbus which
although produce red berries, are harmless as has been
confirmed by Hampshire County Council. In addition to
these we have an Arbutus which is equally safe.

As a matter of good practice, we talk to the children and
discourage them from playing with red berries.

Planning



Our Saplings 'Autumn' 'Season' display board
has been put up and remains works in progress
as children add their ideas and creations to it.
Our role play is set as 'Room on the Broom'.
We will look at other celebrations throughout
November including Fireworks, Remembrance Day,
Diwali, Children in Need and St Andrew's Day.
Seedlings and Acorns have finished their display board
'Under the Sea'.

Welcome



This month we welcome Isabella to Saplings
and Kabir to Seedlings.

Carol and The Saplings Pre-School' team

