

# Nursery Note



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Friday 12th June 2026

## Returning to Hordle Explorers in September

As we know you will all have busy Summers, please find confirmation of details regarding returning to Hordle Explorers Nursery in the Autumn term (September 2026).

### If your child is returning to Team Nest

#### If your child is remaining in Team Nest

Your child will resume their standard set sessions from **Wednesday 2nd September**.

### If you have a child starting Team Nest in September

All settling in sessions for new children joining Team Nest will take place over Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September, as already arranged by Mrs Ewing, Deputy Nursery Manager. All new children joining Team Nest will start their set sessions from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September.

### If your child is returning to Team Wild

#### If your child is moving up to Team Wild

For all families, Wednesday 2nd September will be the 'stay and play' settling in session day in which children (along with parents) have a 1 hour settling session, allowing children the chance to refamiliarise themselves with the setting before commencing their set sessions.

All sessions will be confirmed by Mrs Aucott, Deputy Nursery Manager.


All set sessions for Team Wild commence as normal from **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**.

### If your child is joining Reception

All communication regarding start dates and home visits have been communicated and confirmed by Mrs Riley, directly via [fs@hordleprimary.co.uk](mailto:fs@hordleprimary.co.uk).

## IMPORTANT - Lunch Box Reminders

### Chopping Food (Safer Eating Guidance)

Children's food should be cut into small, manageable pieces to reduce the risk of choking. 

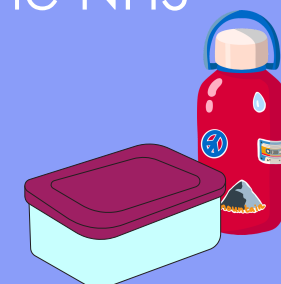
Where possible, food should be cut lengthwise, into baton-shaped, smaller pieces. This applies to foods like grapes, sausages, cherry tomatoes and chunks of meat. Round shapes can easily block a child's airway and can cause them to choke. Please click [HERE](#) for the Food Standards Agency guidance.

Hard foods such as raw carrots should be softened by cooking or cut into thin sticks. 

More information can be found on the NHS webpage [HERE](#).

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### Ice Packs in Lunchboxes



For children who are with us for lunchtime, please can we remind families to ensure all lunchboxes contain an icepack to keep food and drink cool.

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### Plastic Food Containers and Bottles Only

Please can we ask parents to ensure all lunchboxes, tupperware and waterbottles are clearly named and that all tupperware and bottles provided for children are plastic only, **not glass**.

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### Healthy Eating School

As well as following the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Nutrition Guidance, we are also a Healthy Eating school. Please can we remind families to pack a varied, healthy option lunch for their children.

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### Nutrition Guidance and Safer Eating Parent Guide

Further guidance on Nutrition Guidance and Safer Eating (including healthy packed lunch ideas) can be found [HERE](#).



# Parent Drop In's

We wish to invite all of our families to our final Nursery parent drop in session of the academic year. This has been arranged to provide families with a final chance to catch up with their current nursery team and also the opportunity to meet the team in the next setting, where relevant. Please see further details below:

## Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June - Current Team Wild families only - 3:30pm - 4:30pm

An opportunity to discuss your child's progress in Team Wild. Families also have the chance to meet with some of the Foundation Stage Team again to answer any questions regarding your little ones starting Year R in September.

## Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June - Current Team Nest families only - 3:30pm - 4:30pm

An opportunity to discuss your child's progress with the Nest Team and also have a chance to familiarise yourself with the Wild setting ahead of your little one moving to Wild in September (if applicable).

# Nursery Portraits - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

We are very pleased to advise that our external photographers will be in school on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** to take individual pupil photographs of nursery children who joined us in Summer term and those who missed out on the opportunity during the Autumn/Spring session. The photographs will be taken during the morning session. You will have the option to purchase these photos, details of which will follow shortly after the photo day.

### Children who joined HEN in Summer 2026 and attending Tuesday morning session

If your child has joined Hordle Explorers since April and is due to be in the nursery between 9:00am-12:00pm on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, the team will take the children to have their photographs taken throughout the morning. Please drop your child at their room as usual.

### If your child has joined HEN since April but does not usually attend the nursery on Tuesday morning or your child missed out on nursery portraits in Autumn and Spring

Parents will have an opportunity to bring child/ren to the photograph session between 8:45am-9:30am on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Please complete this **FORM** to confirm attendance if you wish to join us.

Please note photographs will be taken on a first come first served basis and you may be required to queue. Parents of children attending the photograph session must remain on the school site for the duration.

Please complete the form by **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June**, when the bookings will close.

*Unfortunately no sibling photographs will be offered on this occasion.*

## E-Safety

This online safety guide suggests safer apps and games for children, taking into account factors such as age-in appropriate content, age ratings and more.



## IMPORTANT DATES

New dates are in **BOLD**

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June

Team PATCH Father's Day / Special Persons Event

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

HEN Portraits

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Parent Drop Ins (Team Wild to Year R)

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June

Parent Drop Ins (Team Nest to Team Wild)

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July

PATCH Summer Fair