

# Nursery Note



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Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2026

## Summer Term Session Amendments

Following our recent funding and charging consultation and consequent introduction of our updated funding and charging model at Hordle Explorers Nursery (please find the letter confirmation sent to families [HERE](#)), we wish to remind all families that should you wish to amend your child's session times, to confirm this in writing before Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February.

All changes to your child's sessions will be updated accordingly and a further reconfirmation will be sent during next half term, in March.

As a result of the funding changes, new funding forms for Summer term will be sent home with families after February half term, along with updated guidance on how to complete. As a reminder, we require a completed funding form for all families, regardless of funding eligibility.

## New Forest Dance Academy Workshop

We are excited to share that **New Forest Dance Academy** will be back on **Thursday 12th February** for another fun filled dance workshop for our wonderful Hordle Explorers children to enjoy.



**NEW FOREST  
ACADEMY OF DANCE**

The workshop will be taking place within your child's usual Thursday morning session.

### Consumables charge:

Please note, this event is included in your child's session free of charge for all families who have paid the optional consumables charge (and for all disadvantaged families).

If you have opted out of consumables or you pay a donation towards this charge, you will be required to pay an additional charge of £5 for the event. If this applies to you and your child attends Hordle Explorers on a Thursday and you would like for them to take part, please email [hen@hordleprimary.co.uk](mailto:hen@hordleprimary.co.uk) to book.

## Tax Free Childcare

### Do you want help paying your childcare bill?

We wish to remind families of the Tax Free Childcare Scheme (TFC). TFC families can receive a 20% 'top up' (up to £500 every 3 months) to help with the costs of childcare through the Government run Tax Free Childcare scheme.

Your eligibility depends on whether you are working, your income (and that of your partner), your child's age and circumstances. For further information on this scheme, how to check your eligibility or set up an account, please click [HERE](#).

If you are eligible, you will be provided with a unique Tax Free Childcare reference number. Please email your unique reference number to [hen@hordleprimary.co.uk](mailto:hen@hordleprimary.co.uk) with the subject title "TFC reference". This must be provided to us before you make any payments to Hordle Explorers Nursery.

Please note, payments to us via the TFC scheme can take 5-10 working days to clear and to reach us so we kindly ask that payments are made in readiness for our nursery fees due dates.

# Bag2School Reminder

Help Team PATCH team raise funds by donating your unwanted, quality items! Our next Bag2School collection is organised for **Tuesday 24th February**.

Bags can be dropped off to the front school car park after school drop off from **Monday 23rd February** and no later than 9am on **Tuesday 24th February**.

Please ensure items are securely placed within a bag and please place the bags under the provided tarpaulin to protect all clothing from the rain. This is extremely important as wet clothes will not be collected and unfortunately, we will be forced to dispose of them.



For a full list on what you are able to donate on this occasion, please click [HERE](#).

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support!



# Spring Term Invoice Reminder

A polite reminder that final payments for Spring term invoices are due on **Friday 13th February**.

Please note that a £20 surcharge will apply for any late payments, so please ensure timely payments are arranged to avoid unnecessary additional fees.

If you have made payment via TFC or if you have paid via Childcare Vouchers, please email [hen@hordleprimary.co.uk](mailto:hen@hordleprimary.co.uk) to confirm.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Further to our recent communication regarding funding arrangements at Hordle Explorers Nursery, funding and invoice information has been updated on our website. Should you wish to review any of the information, please click [HERE](#).

## E-Safety

This online safety guide focuses on toddlers and screen time. It highlights a number of tips such as setting parental controls, removing devices at certain times and using screen time as a reward.

Please click here to read the guidance. 



## IMPORTANT DATES

New dates are in **BOLD**

**Thursday 12th February**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April

**New Forest Dance Academy Dance Workshop**

February Half Term (School & Nursery Closed)

Bag2School Collection

HEN Parent Drop In's (3:30pm - 4:30pm)

Team Nest & Team Wild Charity Cake Sale (more information to follow)

PATCH Mothers Day/Special Persons Event

INSET Day (School & Nursery closed)

HEN Portraits (Spring Starters & Mop Up Photos)

Easter Holiday (School & Nursery Closed)