HORDLE EXPLORERS

Friday 7th November



Parent Drop Ins - Thursday 13th November

We wish to invite you to our first parent drop in of the academic year. For both Team Nest and Team Wild, we welcome families to 'drop in' to your relevant setting to catch up with the team regarding your child's progress. It is a chance to see some of their recent work, learn more about the current curriculum the children are learning and for you to ask the team any questions you may have.

Drop ins will run from 3:30pm - 4:30pm. Please note, that the Longfield Road gate (by Team Nest) will be closed from 3:40pm onwards. Please use the main school gates to enter/exit the premises.

No appointment necessary - we look forward to welcoming you!

Nursery Portraits - Friday 21st November

We are very pleased to advise that our external photographers will be in school on **Friday 21st November** to take individual pupil photographs of our nursery children. 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.

If your child attends Hordle Explorers on a Friday, you do not need to do anything further. For those who do not usually attend HEN on a Friday but wish to come in for photos, please complete **THIS** booking request



form by **Friday 14th November**, when the bookings will close. Photos of children who do not usually attend HEN on a Friday will be taken between 8:45am - 9:00am. Please note, these 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.

Unfortunately no sibling photographs will be offered on this occasion.

Spring Term Opt Outs

Further to previous communications regarding our current funding consultation, we would be grateful if all parents could read **THIS LETTER** and complete **THIS FORM** to indicate if you will be paying the voluntary consumables fees for funded hours at Hordle Explorers Nursery for Spring term 2026.

Please can we kindly ask that all families complete this by **Friday 14th November.**

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation.

Year R Applications

Applicable to Team Wild families only
Please be reminded that applications to Year R for children starting school in September 2026 are now open.

Please ensure you have applied for your child's school place before the closing date, **Thursday 15th January 2026.**

More information regarding admissions can be found on our website by clicking **HERE** or by emailing the school office at adminoffice@hordle.hants.sch.uk for any further questions and/or support.



Tapestry Security

We have received communications from Services for Young Children (SfYC) that there has been a setting elsewhere in the country that has had their online learning journal hacked and images of the children downloaded by people who are not their parents. We urge all families to ensure they have secure passwords for their accounts, ensuring to minimise risk as much as possible.

Further communication from SfYC can be found **HERE**, with guidance regarding cyber security.

E-Safety

In this issue of Nursery
Note, we wish to share this
information

APPLE IPADS

reagrding Apple iPads. This guide examines Apple's iPad – a popular device for children – and explores key concerns such as screen overuse, privacy risks and inappropriate content.

Please click here to see the report

IMPORTANT DATES

New dates are in **BOLD**

Thursday 13th November

Wednesday 19th November

Friday 21st November

Friday 21st November

Wednesday 26th November

Friday 28th November

Thursday 4th December

Friday 5th December

Monday 15th December

Tuesday 16th December

Parent Drop Ins (3:30pm - 4:30pm)

New Forest Academy of Dance Workshop

HEN Portrait Photos

Deadline for PATCH Secret Santa forms and payment to be completed and returned

Barnardo's Healthy Hero Visit

PATCH Christmas Craft Market / PATCH Christmas Wreath Workshop

PATCH Secret Santa Event (Internal event, children only)

INSET Day (Nursery Closed)

Team Wild Christmas Crafts (2pm - 3pm, more information to follow)

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