



Buttercups End of Term Newsletter



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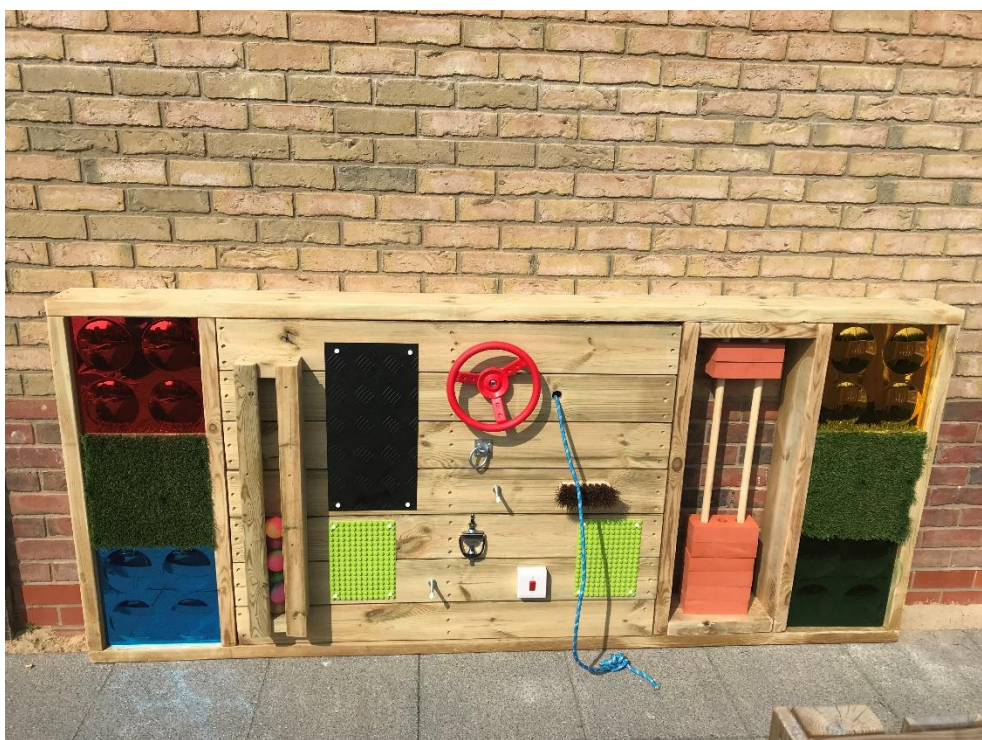
Requesting New Hours/Days

If you would like to request a change to your child's days or hours please can we ask that you do this in writing via email with at least 4 weeks notice as per our policy.

Graduation

We held our Graduation service for our 2026 leavers on Friday and it was a huge success. It was wonderful to celebrate all of the children with our staff and families and we would like to thank everyone for coming. Our raffle raised just over £400! Thank you so so much. We have now been able to purchase our sensory wall for the garden. This has already been delivered and installed and is ready for the children to all enjoy.

Our Graduation Service for our 2027 leavers will be taking place on Saturday 17th July. Timings to be confirmed.



Summer Disco/ Parent Forum



A big thank you to everyone who came to the Summer Disco this week. Thank you to our Parent Forum, particularly Hope the chairperson who has put so much effort into organising events and trying so hard to get the Forum up and running this term. We are really grateful for the fundraising and all the feedback and look forward to watching the Forum grow.

The Buttercups Parent Forum have set up a private Facebook group for parents and carers of children at Buttercups Nursery, to share details of upcoming events (including our summer disco!), forum news, nursery feedback opportunities and ways to get involved. This page will run separately to our WhatsApp group for forum volunteers, which you are also welcome to join if you'd like to take part.

Facebook Group Link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/4363941097201942>

WhatsApp Group Link (for anyone that would like to volunteer with the forum): https://chat.whatsapp.com/DUqo3hiUG5f2Mxb97U9jKE?mode=gi_t

Fees

Please ensure that fees are paid on time. Payment of fees is due on the 1st of every month for the up-and-coming month. Payment of September fees for example is to be paid on 1st September. If fees are not paid on time, charges will be applied to your account as per our fees, policy, this also includes suspending the child's space.

Childcare Funding

If your child is due to start with us soon and will be 9 months old please apply for your childcare funding if you are eligible - [Funding](#). Once you have the code we then need the consent form completed [here](#).

There is also lots of information on this [Website](#) regarding funding available and when to claim for your child.

A reminder that once you have your funding code, it is the parents responsibility to renew this code. We have hundreds of children claiming funding and we cannot remind everyone. HMRC should remind you but I would advise that when you get the code you then put it on your calendar as a reminder. If you don't renew your code you could potentially lose your funding for the next term.

Please check your funding expiration date as we have many families with codes expiring through July and August that must be renewed before September to ensure the continuity of the funding.

If your child is starting funding in September we must have received these codes by the end of July to allow us to add them to our funding claim for the Autumn term.

Starting the New September Term

Please can we remind you all to bring Nappies (if needed), your child's water bottle, spare clothes and appropriate clothing for the weather when you return in September. The weather is often still very warm during this month. Please ensure your child has sun cream packed if you provide your own.

Loose Parts

If you have any bits and bobs at home that you would be happy to donate to our loose parts area, we would really appreciate it. These resources help to develop the children's creativity, imagination, and problem-solving skills through open-ended play.



Website

Alys has been working really hard on updating our website and its now full of useful information, photo's and we are going to have a newsfeed available, which will be updated throughout the day in real time. Just head to www.buttercupsnursery.uk. There are also some fab photo's of this years Graduation.

CLOSURE DATES

It has been brought to our attention that some of our families may have forgotten about certain closure dates throughout the year. Both our term time and extended calendars have closure dates across the year. If you do not have a copy of the calendar's please contact the office.

Important dates

Friday 31st July - NURSERY CLOSSES AT 6PM TO ALL FAMILIES

Friday 4th September - INSET DAY - NURSERY CLOSED TO ALL FAMILIES

Monday 7th September - NURSERY RE OPENS TO ALL FAMILIES



Important Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 9th September - National Teddy Bear Day - we will be celebrating with picnics, stories and children are welcome to bring their favourite Teddy Bear

Tuesday 22nd September- Parents drop in Coffee and Chat Morning from 8am

Tuesday 29th September - Pre School Information Evening at 7pm. This is for Parents of children who will be transitioning to school in September 2027.

A Heartfelt Thank You

As we come to the end of another wonderful year at Buttercups, we would like to take a moment to say a huge **thank you** to all of our families for your continued support, kindness and trust. It has been a privilege to watch your children grow, learn and flourish, and we are so grateful to share these special early years with you.

Behind every smile, activity, cuddle, story, assessment and celebration is a team of dedicated professionals who work incredibly hard each and every day. Our staff go above and beyond to provide a safe, nurturing and inspiring environment for every child, often giving far more than anyone sees behind the scenes.

Like many settings, this year has brought its challenges, and while the vast majority of our families treat our team with kindness and respect, there have been occasions where members of staff have been spoken to in an upsetting or abusive manner. We understand that there may be times when concerns arise, and we are always committed to listening, working together and finding positive solutions. However, we kindly ask that all conversations remain respectful and considerate.

A little patience, understanding and kindness can make an enormous difference. Our team are people too, and they deserve to feel valued, respected and safe in their workplace.

As we look ahead to another exciting year, we thank you for continuing to work in partnership with us. Together, through mutual respect and open communication, we can ensure Buttercups remains a happy, welcoming place for our children, families and staff alike.

Thank you for being part of our Buttercups family, and we wish you all a wonderful summer.

