

Busy Bees Preschool



Welcome back to you all and a warm welcome to all our new children and their families. We aim to ensure that your child has a positive experience during their time at Busy Bees and provide stimulating & challenging experiences that support their learning and development.

Please remember that the children have had a long break away from the setting and many are new to the setting. Each child will settle in their own way and in their own time. Parents are encouraged to stay and settle their child at an activity or with their Key Person and make sure you say goodbye before you leave. Please speak regularly to your child's Key Person who will tell you what your child has been doing throughout the session and how they are settling in. You are welcome to phone/email to check how they are doing!

So here goes....!

After over a year of planning, organising and plenty of discussions we are ready to go with our new structure at Busy Bees.

Both the Bumble Bee & Honey Bee rooms now cater for children aged from 2 years right through to preschool age children. We have made lots of fantastic changes over the holidays to both inside the rooms and the outside play area.

We, the staff team are very excited and raring to go on this new adventure and we aim to provide a wider range of activities and experiences for your child. We would love to hear any feedback you may have, whatever it is, in order to maintain high quality provision. Just pop in, or email with any comments.

Thank you

Upcoming Events

Monday 23rd September

National Recycling week;
New recycling projects in preschool

Friday 27th September

9-10.15am Macmillan coffee morning

Friday 15th November,

Parents meetings; come along and have a chat with your child's Key Person

Coming Soon

Session Invoices will be sent out by Friday 13th September, once all sessions have been confirmed, with details of how and when to pay

Next week- you will receive a 'parent's information sheet' showing you just a taste of what we are learning about in preschool, along with lots of ideas for home. We hope you find this useful.

General Information

Communication

Communication between home and preschool is essential in the smooth running of the preschool.

Please inform us of any changes such as mobile phone numbers, addresses etc to we can keep our records up to date and can always get hold of you if we need to. Please also share any information that may affect your child's well-being such a change with family circumstances or family bereavement with the manager or your child's key person, so we can offer tailored support to your child if required. All information shared will be in confidence and only discussed with staff on a need to know basis.



Also...

- Your child's **Learning Journeys** are kept in the rooms, you are welcome to look at them anytime and add photos and information from home.
- In each room is a '**family board**' with photos of the children and their families. It would be great if all families could bring in or email 1 or 2 photos to put on the board. If emailing photos is easier we are happy to print them off. This helps with settling in and is always a good talking point for the children!
- Keep up to date with news and reminders by checking the notice boards, emails and joining our private Facebook group just search Busy Bees Preschool, Salisbury and look for our logo. Also check your child's drawer every session for letters & pictures.
- We respectfully ask that parents do not request staff as friends on social media unless you know the staff members previously. Our expectations is for staff to have a professional relationship with parents at all times.
- Please remember Busy Bees has an 'open door' policy so you are welcome to phone or pop in anytime for a chat or if you have any concerns.
- **Preschool fees will be increasing from January 2020**; 2 year olds to £5.25, 3 & 4 year olds will increase to £4.30. Fees have not risen for over 3 years however the increase is necessary due to the ongoing increase in Preschool running costs



How you can help us

During your child's time at Busy Bees you will not be asked to pay for additional activities and experiences, however there are lots of ways you can support the preschool;

Donations

Snacks;

- crackers, biscuits such as digestive rich tea & cheddars
- dried fruit
- cheese
- Large pots of yoghurt

Other items we cannot have too many of;

- wet wipes
- boxes of tissues
- paper & craft bits & pieces

There is a donations box in the lobby. If you would like to make a cash donation just pop it in the bee money box in the lobby.

Thank you for your support