

School Term Dates

Christmas closure

Monday 22nd December —
Friday 2nd January

Spring Term: 5th January –
27th March

Half term closure 16th—
20th Feb

Spring Break closure -28th
March—22 April (21st April
bank holiday Monday
closed)

Summer Term: 22th April –
24th July

Half term closure - 26th—
30th May

Summer closure 20th July

Groups and the staff

Honey Bees 2s

Supervisor - Joann

Team - Kelly, Kelly, Edith, & Daisy

Bumble Bees 2s & 3s

Supervisor - Anita & Lianne

Team - Suky, Anita

Learner Bees 3s & 4s

Supervisor - Michelle

Team - Serena, Eva, Kim, Sam

Maddison

Pupil premium support -Vikki / Suky

Manager

Tina

Deputy Manager

Laura

Special Needs Coordinator

Debbie

The Buzz news letter



A Message from the Busy Bee Team

As the year draws to a close, we want to thank our wonderful families for their support, kindness, and partnership. Christmas is a time for joy, reflection, and togetherness—and we're delighted to celebrate with your children.

Learning & Play

This season, our STEM curriculum is filled with language-rich festive activities:

Science—looking at the different weather patterns. Using toys that allow us to learn about cause and effect

Technology : using torches, engaging in age appropriate games on the computer, older children will be learning about electricity and making circuits.

Engineering: making rocket ships, chimneys for santa to get stuck in! using different tools to make pictures and models helps develop fine motor and pre writing skills.

Art: Making lots of sparkly Christmas decorations means exploring lots of different media. Engaging in small world role play with imagination in our winter sensory trays. Learning new rhymes, songs and playing musical instruments. Learning to move in different ways as we explore pitch and tempo.

Maths: number rhymes. Learning about shape and size as we wrap gift boxes. Design and arrange shapes to make cards and decorations

Stories:

Dear Santa

Gingerbread man

Traditional Nativity tales

Rhymes:

Jingle bells

When Santa got stuck up the chimney

We wish you a merry christmas



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Other news:



Eypp update:

EYPP Update – Supporting Every Child

This term, our **Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)** funding has helped us:

- Introduce a “pupil premium champion” to support children across the setting, especially through our **trauma and attachment-based initiative**. This allows us to have an additional member of staff just to support those children who need a little extra support with attention and listening skills, building connections, supporting transition into preschool and changing of classrooms.
- Part fund our Play to learn lending library
- Enhance **school readiness** and ease **transitions into preschool**.
- Part Fund our **Christmas craft open sessions** for parents to join in the festive fun.

Play to Learn Lending Library – A Great Start!

Launched at the beginning of November, our Play to Learn Lending Library has been a hit! We’ve received wonderful feedback from parents who are enjoying the opportunity to borrow educational resources and toys to support learning at home. If you haven’t yet had the opportunity to borrow a Play to learn activity bag, please see your child’s room leader or key person

Home Observations – Keep Them Coming!

We’ve loved seeing the beautiful observations and photos you’ve shared of your children’s activities at home. If you haven’t uploaded yours yet, please do! It’s a joy to see how your children explore, play, and learn with their families.

Events:

Christmas Parties & Craft Activities – 15th December

Get ready for a day full of festive fun! On **Monday 15th December**, we’ll be holding our **Christmas parties and craft activities** at:

Shirley Baptist Church

Church Street, Shirley

More details will be shared in early December, but expect music, crafts, and plenty of holiday cheer!

Learner Bee Room Nativity

Also on the 15th, our Learner Bee Room will present their **annual nativity performance** in the afternoon. We can’t wait to see our little stars shine on stage

Christmas Charity Cake Sale – 12th December

We’re excited to announce our **Christmas Charity Cake Sale** on **Friday 12th December**! Cakes will be available for purchase at the following times:

- **Morning:** 11:00 AM – 11:45 AM
- **Afternoon:** 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

All proceeds will go to a local children’s charity. We warmly invite parents to contribute by **baking cakes at home** and bringing them to preschool on the morning of 12th December.

