



Headteacher Comment

As we begin the second half of the Summer term, our focus will increasingly turn towards supporting children with transition. This is an exciting and important time for all of our learners, particularly for those who will be starting primary school in September, as well as those moving through to Orchards. Throughout this half-term, we will be providing a range of activities and experiences designed to build confidence, independence, and familiarity with new routines and expectations. For our older children, this will include opportunities to talk about starting school, develop self-help skills, and build resilience as they prepare for their next big step.

For children transitioning into Orchards, we will be gently supporting them to become familiar with new spaces, adults, and routines, ensuring they feel secure and excited about their move.

We understand that transitions can bring a mix of emotions for both children and families. Please be reassured that we will approach this process with care, ensuring every child feels supported, confident, and ready for the next stage in their learning journey.

As always, we value your support and encourage you to talk positively with your child about these changes. If you have any questions or would like further guidance, please do not hesitate to speak with a member of the team.

We are looking forward to a busy and rewarding half-term ahead.

Key Dates for Summer 2nd

Reopen on Monday 1st June 2026

Closes Friday 17th July 2026

Summer holiday starts Monday 20th July 2026

(DAYCARE REMAINS OPEN UNTIL 19th AUGUST
AND CLOSES FROM 20th AUGUST 2026)



FATHER'S DAY MORNING
Come and celebrate together!
Saturday 20th June 9:30am - 10:30am
Dads, Grandads & Special Male Role Models Welcome!
Bring your child along for a fun and relaxed morning.

Enjoy a delicious breakfast roll

Play together in the nursery garden

Spend special quality time together

Please book your place via the nursery office. Spaces are limited



Healthy Lunch box Initiative

● Healthy Eating Focus This Half Term ●

Over this half term, we will be placing a strong focus on our **Healthy Eating Initiative**, supporting children to develop positive habits around food in a fun and age-appropriate way.

As part of this, we are kindly asking parents to **no longer send in sweets or cakes for birthdays**. We understand birthdays are very special, and please be reassured that **we will still celebrate every child's birthday at nursery** and make sure they feel valued and excited on their special day—just without shared sugary treats.

For children who bring a **packed lunch**, all families should now have received their **FREE compartment lunchbox**. If you haven't had one please pop into the office to collect one. These will be used daily, with a particular focus on:

- **Portion control**
- **Balanced meals**
- **Reducing plastic and packaging waste**

We also encourage families, where possible, to **limit quick, simple options**. This helps children explore a wider variety throughout the day.



and choose fresh, energy levels

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to provide the best possible environment for our children

Millie the School Dog - Update



The older children have been enjoying using the toy dog to help them learn how to behave around a real dog. This has included practising gentle hands, calm voices, and respectful interactions.

In a couple of weeks, we will begin to introduce the older children to Millie, supporting them to build confidence and understanding in a safe and controlled way.

Hot Dinner Arrangements

Please ensure you notify the office directly of the days your child will require a hot dinner. We kindly ask families to commit to these selected days for the full term, as hot dinners are now invoiced on a termly basis. This helps us manage ordering and billing as accurately as possible.

If you require an occasional (ad hoc) hot dinner—for example, if a packed lunch has been forgotten—please contact the office on the day to request this. Payment will be required in cash on the same day.

Thank you for your understanding and continued cooperation.

Changes to Your Child's Sessions

If you would like to make any changes to your child's sessions, we kindly ask that you contact the office staff directly. This helps us to avoid any confusion and ensures that all arrangements are recorded accurately.

Family Support

There is a wide range of support, advice, and guidance available for families, covering many different topics.

You can contact the Early Childhood and Family Service

They can offer 1:1 support, group activities and course for parents/carers

To ask for extra help, call 0344 800 8020, email ecfs-families@actionforchildren.org.uk

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/.../Get-extra-support-from...>

You can contact Just One Norfolk

They can support with any questions or concerns about your child's health, wellbeing or development.

Call 03003000123 <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/>

Family Hub

There are seven family hub buildings across Norfolk. Parents and carers can drop into these centres for advice and support - you don't need an appointment to visit.

<https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/famil.../family-hub-sites/>

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