



The new Autumn term is here. This year seems to be flowing by! We hope you have had a lovely summer and made some lovely memories. We are excited to be welcoming some of you back after a summer break and we are excited to be welcoming some new faces to Little Squirrels family too 😊

Dates for your diary

Term Time only children Return- **Monday 8th September**

Parent Coffee Morning- **Wednesday 24th September**

Wishlist



- ♥ Rolling pins
- ♥ House plants
- ♥ Nature books
- ♥ Babys/Dolls
- ♥ Dolls Accessories
- ♥ Wool
- ♥ Animals
- ♥ Magnetic tiles



Also, if anyone has any digital cameras they would like to donate or are even selling, please let us know, as we need quite a few new ones –

Thank you 😊



Crackerjacks donation Link



Crackerjacks Fancy Dress **All Week**

The theme is Disney.

If you would like to donate here is the donation link:

[Little Squirrels is fundraising for Crackerjacks Children's Trust](#)

Team Changes

Just a reminder that some of the girls have moved rooms within the nursery.

Kartina is now in the **Explorers Room** with Kim and Maria

Becky F is now in the **Inventors Room** with Becky W and Gemma

Katrina and **Becky** will also be taking over the role as the nursery SENCo. They will be working together to fulfil this role, **Katrina** will be mainly supporting children within Baby room and Toddler Room and

Becky F will be supporting Preschool.

If you have any questions or concerns please speak to them and they will be happy to help.

Once your little ones have settled with team changes in September the girls will inform you of any Key Person changes

Our team Board is in the porch if you are unsure of any names and faces.

Coffee Mornings

From September we will be holding parent coffee mornings. We will be doing one in September, January, and July.

We have decided to hold these coffee mornings as a stay and play session where we will set the hall up with lots of exciting activities for your little ones and you as parents can come along and stay for coffee or tea and meet and chat to other parents within our setting and build relationships with others and just have a chat without any pressures of what is going on around. Our first one will be hosted on **Wednesday**

24th September 8am-10am.



Question of the month

Please respond to our online question of the month. It helps us to evaluate our practice 😊

<https://forms.office.com/r/600dk4B7KB>

FUNDING- VERY IMPORTANT

Please ensure you have all renewed your funding code for your Childcare choices account.

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Facebook page: www.facebook.com/LiSq13/

Instagram page: https://instagram.com/littlesquirrels_shrawley

Nursery Website: <https://littlesquirrels.co.uk>

Parent group

We have a parent group on WhatsApp, if you would like to join, please follow the link below.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/FdY3G352D2z1dyv8F58EG>

Is my child having too much screen time?

As we all know, too much screen time isn't healthy for anyone. Especially children, where their little brains are still developing.

Here is some helpful advice from BBC – Tiny happy, people.

[How is the rise in screen time affecting children? - BBC Tiny Happy People](#)

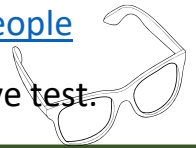


Does my little one need glasses?

It is surprising how often it goes unnoticed that some children need glasses before they start school.

[Signs Your Baby, Toddler or Child May Need Glasses - BBC Tiny Happy People](#)

Take a look at the signs that could indicate that your child may need an eye test.

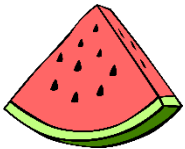


Healthy lunch boxes

For those who are thinking of providing their own lunch and snacks from September I have popped a couple of links underneath for healthy lunch box ideas 😊

[Are You Packing A Healthy Lunch A5 Leaflet ENGLISH.pdf](#)

[Lunchbox ideas and recipes – Healthier Families - NHS](#)



Recommended group - [Classes | Worcester Woodland Explorers](#)

Some of our parents have asked about recommended groups or classes to take your little ones to locally. We really recommend Worcester woodland explorers. It is an outside stay and play group, on Bromyard road. Your little one can explore the outdoors, sing songs around the campfire & they get a little snack included. It is a very relaxed play and stay session, with free play and lots of space!

Can my little one hear me?

It is surprising how many parents think that their little one is choosing not to listen to them when actually they cannot hear what is being said to them or they are only partially hearing what is being said.

[Hearing loss - NHS](#)

Take a look at the signs that could indicate that your child may need a Hearing test.

Family support services

This is a link to the Worcestershire virtual family hub, there are so many services you can access including local family hubs in the area, free training courses you can do online, keeping children safe, mental health and wellbeing support services and so much more. If you need any advice on any of these just let me know 😊

[Virtual Family Hub | Worcestershire County Council](#)

Are you waiting for an appointment with a children's health service in Worcestershire?

Please scan the QR code to access information and support available while waiting for your child or young person's appointment



Herefordshire and Worcestershire Integrated Care System



