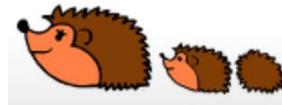


Downhall Under Fives Newsletter

October 2025



Thank you for taking the time to make 'All about me' boxes with your children, they really did enjoy sharing them with everyone and talking about what is special to them. We have also created a family album with the photos sent in. This will be in our book area for the children to access, they love finding photos of their family and showing them off.

CALLING ALL EMERGENCY WORKERS!

If we have any parents or friends working in the emergency services who would come along and share what they do with the children we would love to invite you in during our Emergency services week. Please get in touch if there is anyone who would be happy to help.

Dates for your diary!

Week commencing 3rd November –

We will be looking at colours this week so would love it if the children could come in wearing their favourite colours or bright colours so that we can talk about them.

Friday 14th Nov –

Children in Need day so feel free to dress your little ones in pyjamas or anything Pudsey related

Christmas –

We will be putting on a Christmas Nativity including our older children only (those leaving us for school in July)

We will also be holding Christmas craft mornings and inviting one parent or carer to come in for an hour to participate with their children. This is a lovely activity that we have done for a few years and always a hit with both children and parents!

Dates and information for both of the above will be sent nearer the time

Finally, we will be doing a Christmas hamper raffle and asking for donations, again this has always been a success with some lovely prizes and all proceeds will go towards resources for the preschool.



Autumn term topics

3rd Nov – Colours Week

5th – Fireworks Night

10th Nov – Shapes and Numbers Week

10th - 14th - World Nursery Rhyme
11th – Remembrance Sunday (9th)
14th – Children in Need

17th Nov – Transport/Road Safety Week

16th – 20th – UK Road Safety Week
18th – World Princess Day

24th Nov – Emergency Services Week

27th – Thanksgiving
30th – St Andrews Day

1st Dec – 15th Dec

We will be focusing on various Christmas arts, crafts and activities
12th – Christmas Jumper Day
15th – 22n - Hanukkah

19th Dec – Break up for Christmas break

Return Monday 5th January



TERM DATES

Autumn term - Thurs 4th Sep – Friday 19th December 2025 (14 weeks 3 days)
Half term Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October 2025

Spring term - Monday 5th January - Friday 27th March 2026 (11 weeks)
Half term Monday 16th Feb - Friday 20th Feb 2026

Summer term – Monday 13th April – Friday 17th July 2026 (13 weeks)
Half term Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May 2026

ATTENDANCE

Please note, under safeguarding guidance we should be notified in advance of any absences. Where children have been prescribed antibiotics, parents/carers are asked to keep them home for 48 hours and after diarrhoea or sickness we also ask that parents/carers keep children home for 48 hours following the last episode.

- Please remember to send your child's towel in for each session they attend.
- As the wintery weather is on its way soon, please remember coats and wellies/outdoor shoes with a change of shoes in their bag and make sure all articles are clearly named
- Please note, grapes in packed lunches must be cut into quarters lengthways.

Thank you 😊

Please note: As we have a no nuts policy, we are unable to accept pesto in lunches. Thank you for your understanding.

At Downhall Under Fives we pride ourselves on being inclusive and approachable. However, we understand that due to busy drop off/pick up times it is not always possible to talk at length or confidentially. Therefore, if there is anything you would like to discuss please contact our managers by phone, email or in person and we will be happy to arrange an appointment.

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