



**Little Hayes and Speedwell Nursery
Schools Federation**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been such a pleasure getting to know you and your children this year and being part of their learning journey.

As we are moving towards the end of this busy nursery year and starting to plan for the next, we are writing with a few updates.

Staffing restructure

Within a larger reorganisation of Bristol Local Authority and alongside our partner nursery, Speedwell Nursery School, we are in the process of implementing a staffing restructure. This is to ensure that the nursery service can be sustainable long term, we can share great practice and offer you a consistent staff team.

As part of this process, we will be saying goodbye to some staff and others will be changing roles or sites.

- Sarah, our receptionist, will be taking early retirement and is looking forward to spending more time with her grandchildren.
- Hannah, our housekeeper, will be leaving after 12 years of dedicated service. She will be starting a new adventure in both her home and work life as she has recently become engaged. Congratulations to Hannah and Mark!
- Venetia (Ve) will be leaving to begin a new adventure. We will miss her creativity and willingness to get stuck in in the garden.
- Emily has decided that now is the time to move into a new career and is looking forward to new challenges.
- Sally and Liz will be moving across to Speedwell and are excited to be working together in their newly refurbished 3 year old room.
- Karol and Jo will be joining us from Speedwell Nursery School, bringing with them their love of outside learning, singing and music.
- Tanya will be returning to her role of deputy head teacher and is looking forward to working closely with Jet, who will be taking on the role of executive head teacher across the Federation.
- Natalie H will be returning from secondment at Early Birds Nursery in St. Anne's, to lead the 2 year old provision across the Federation.
- Karen, our business manager will be leaving after long and dedicated service sharing her financial expertise and staff wellbeing support.

I know you will want to join me in sending them our warmest wishes in their new adventures.

End of term dates

Friday 15 th July	Last session for 2nd half children
Tuesday 19 th July	Last session for 1st part/30 hours children
Wednesday 20 th July 11.30 am -1.30pm	End of Year family picnic for all children and families. Including graduation for leaving children. No nursery session.
Thursday 21 st July	Nursery closed for classroom re-organisation and building work preparation. No nursery session.

End of year celebration picnic and graduation - Wednesday 20th July 11.30-1.30pm

We will be having a family picnic in the garden to celebrate all the fun and learning this year, and saying goodbye and good luck to the children moving on to reception with a graduation ceremony. Come along with your picnic (no nuts please) and a blanket to join in the fun. All families are invited.

There will be no nursery session that day.

September 2022 settling in plans for returning children

We are really excited about the plans for next year. We will be welcoming new families and staff and setting up inspiring new nursery spaces, alongside settling our returning children with their new key people and rooms.

We know how important it is for children to feel secure and comfortable in their new groups. We have tried to ensure that all children will have some time in a smaller group and you will have time to speak to your new key person. Please let us know if you have any questions about the settling in time table.

Thursday 1 st Sept		No nursery sessions
Friday 2 nd Sept		No nursery sessions
Monday 5 th Sept	New parent show arounds, by arrangement	No nursery sessions
Tuesday 6 th Sept	Returners Stay and Play with parent/carers 30 hours 1 st half children (Mon, Tues, Wed AM)	10.30-11.30am 2pm -3pm
Wed 7 th Sept	Returners 1st half and 30 hours – settling in session (without parents/carers)	8.30 -11.30am
Thursday 8 th Sept	Returners 30 hours (please bring a packed lunch) Returners 2 nd half (Wed PM, Thurs, Fri) Stay and Play with parent/carers	8.30-1pm 2pm-3pm
Friday 9 th Sept	2 nd half and 30 hours (please bring a packed lunch)	8.30-1pm

Monday 12 th – 15 th September	1 st half (Mon, Tues, Wed AM) 2 nd half (Wed PM, Thurs, Fri) 30 hours (Mon – Fri)	Full normal hours
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Packed lunches

Unfortunately, hot lunches will not be available in the first few weeks of term. Please can your child bring a packed lunch on their full days. We will notify you as soon as they are available.

Tapestry down loads

For children moving to reception, Liz will shortly be sending out information about how to download and print the photos and observations that are on your child's Tapestry account. Please let us know if you require any help. If your child is leaving nursery in July, on line access to the Tapestry account will stop at the end of September 2022.

Moving classrooms

From September 2022, we will re-configuring the classrooms and some of the shared spaces to create even more exciting and inspiring learning environments. The 2 year old children will be moving into Blue room and the older children will be in Green room and Molly's room.

Nursery places for September

We do have a few nursery places available for September 2022. Please tell your family and friends. They can complete the application form on our website, or pop in to arrange a show round and speak to the team.

Job opportunities

See the news page on our website for the exciting job opportunities available at Little Hayes from September 2022 <https://www.littlehayes.org/news>

Best wishes

Tanya Tooby

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