

Amberley Nursery & Forest School



May / June / 2026



We hope you all had a hoppy Easter and are now ready for some smashingly egg-cellent fun! Okay enough puns, let's roll on the springtime festivities!

The sun is back and we cannot be happier! We have created a new policy for suncreams which states parents requiring us to re-apply their child's suncream during the day will need a doctor's note to explain the child cannot use all-day suncream. This is because the risk we take on when we apply a child's suncream is high so we should only be doing so when there is a clear medical need for it. If you have any questions, please email Jess.

On that note, a good all day suncream brand that we recommend is the P20 or the Boots Soltan Once. To clear up a misconception the nivea suncream while very good is not an all-day suncream so is not appropriate for single use.

Our favourite week of all is coming up - messy week is on the 11th of May don't forget to pack lots of spare clothes! We do not shy away from mess at Amberley and believe it makes learning fun, so messy week is something that truly embodies that spirit of child-led learning!

Eid ul Adah is the week commencing the 26th of May, another holiday in which we can celebrate global cultures and festivals for a more enriched and aware generation of children! It is a time to emphasise the importance of love, sharing and community.

Gardening week and healthy eating week are both around the corner (25th of May and 8th of June respectively). We grow lots of food here at Amberley to not only inspire children's pride in the natural world but also their awareness of healthy habits and choices. It is not uncommon at this age for children to think food grows at the shop!

SUPER IMPORTANT (and exciting)! Parent's evening will be on Wednesday the 20th of May from 6pm onwards, to book a 15-minute slot with your child's keyworker please look out for the booking sheets that will be going up in the rooms shortly! This is a great time to have a more in-depth chat about your child's development and PLOD so please feel free to bring along any questions you have!



Dates for Your Diary

w/c 4th May - Deaf awareness week

w/c 11th May - Messy week

20th May - Parent's Evening

w/c 25th May - Gardening week

w/c 26th May - Eid ul Adah

w/c 8th June - Healthy eating week

w/c 15th June - Father's Day week

w/c 22nd June - Summer solstice week

Term Dates

Term 3 ends on May 29th

Term 4 begins on June 1st

Let's Work Together!

We would really like to shine a light on children's speech and language development and all the ways you can promote it at home! We are passionate advocates for reading and singing from early ages to promote language and speech development. We also promote creating language rich environments by commenting on what is going on around your child, following the five-finger rule (four comments for every question) and leaving them plenty of time to respond and process (10 seconds).



Things To Remember

Sunny season is here so sunhats and appropriate attire is very important! Hats should ideally cover a child's neck and provide shade for their face as well - bucket hats and legionnaire hats are great for this!

Also, children's shoulders must be fully covered to prevent burning - vest tops with additional frills on the end are not fully protective as the frills often roll up. Shoes must also suit the weather and abilities of the children - promoting their independence.

We would like to ask that toys (including teddies / stuffies / etc...) are not to be brought into nursery unless they are used as a sleep support during naptime at nursery. Jewellery is also not permitted due to the risk of being pulled on during play.

Another reminder to please label everything that comes into the setting, it makes it much easier on staff when things get left behind to identify who's it is - especially when multiple children have the same super cool spiderman hat! Make sure you are able to receive broadcasts as that is how we send out information on items in our lost and found.

Staff News

You may be seeing a new face in our toddler room; please can everyone give a happy welcome to Jade our newest member of staff! She has her T level in childcare, and we are so lucky to have her.

Our lovely Clara has moved over to pre-school and will be off on maternity leave in October, We're all super excited for Clara and can't wait to see all the lovely baby pictures once the little one has arrived!

Lilly-Mae will soon be joining us in June in the baby class, and Mia will be stepping out of group to continue her role as SENCO full-time to support our families, staff and children.



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