



Little Apples Pre School

Monday Newsletter – 13 July 2026

Housekeeping:

Help families to shape holiday childcare in Buckinghamshire

Please see below a link to have your say regarding holiday childcare opportunities. The survey is open from 5 June – 30 August 2026. It is open to parents/carers of children aged 0–14 (up to 18 with SEND).

This survey will help us better understand what holiday childcare families need across Buckinghamshire, including demand, gaps in provision, and barriers to access. The feedback gathered will play an important role in shaping future planning and support for the sector.

- <https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com/childrens-services/holiday-childcare-provision-parents-carers>

Reminder of End of Term Arrangements – 22 July 2026: As you may know, the main school has their final church service at St Johns Church, Lacey Green. This service starts at **9:15am**, and pre-school parents are welcome to take their children with them to join the service if they would like to. Pre-school will open as normal from **8:50 am** for any children who aren't attending church – please let the School office know, thank you.

At **10:30am**, our Graduation Ceremony will start for the Butterfly group who are starting Reception in September. This will be held on the school field (weather dependent) and parents and family of **these children only** will be welcome to attend (invites and reply slips will follow). We anticipate the ceremony taking around **30 minutes**, and there will be an opportunity to take pictures of your child after the ceremony before you leave.

Children can be collected anytime between 1:00 – 2:00pm.

Summer Safety:

PARENTS GUIDE TO SUMMER

<https://ukhsa.blog.gov.uk/2025/06/13/a-parents-guide-to-summer-infections-and-health-hazard>

Internet safety GUIDE FOR PARENTS

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/by-activity/watching-and-browsing-online-a-parents-guide/>

From the Children

School Council

The School Council and Eco Council would like to raise money for a new set of marble run. They are making a joke book with all of the children's favourite jokes. This will be on sale after school this week for the price of 50p per book.

Eco Council

The Eco Council will be arranging one last clothes collection for Monday 20th July. If you have any suitable items you would like to recycle, please bring them into the school this week.

<https://thelittlerecyclers.co.uk/acceptable-items>

Usual reminders:

Please can we ask all Parents to check their child's bag every weekend. It is important that we have the following for your child in Little Apples every day: A supply of nappies (if applicable), wipes, waterproof warm coat, hats & gloves, spare trousers, socks, pants – all named please. For your convenience a drawstring bag is available from our uniform supplier: <https://www.differentclassschoolwear.co.uk/collection/littleapples-preschool>

Tapestry – Reception Class / Little Apples

This program is being used in the classroom as a means of communication primarily curriculum based. Any other queries can be emailed to the School office.

It is lovely if you can add comments or 'likes' from time to time so that staff know you have seen what has been added under your child's profile. You are also very welcome to share any pictures of exciting activities at home, and we will share them with the group when we are able to. At the end of each year, parents / carers receive a link where they can download the entire journal from the year.

Parking: We are grateful to all Parents who are careful where they park when you drop off and pick up your child. You may like to park closer to the Shop and walk an extra few minutes down to the gate. Parking across dropped curb areas or driveways is not advised. If your child is collected by another adult, please ensure you pass this on to them. Thank you for showing consideration and remember that your child's safety is important at all times.

Library: Please feel free to return your child's book at any time. We will keep a record of which book has been sent home, but will still offer your child a book on a Tuesday and Thursday if the previous one hasn't been returned. At the end of each half-term we will ask you to return any books you have found at home.

Weekly learning

Each weekend we put details of the following week's learning on the Little Apples page of the school website. We have included a link to this page to make it easy for you to access:

<https://www.speenschool.com/page/?title=Little+Apples+Pre%2DSchool&pid=43>

The knowledge organiser for the half-term is also on the website, and this contains an overview of what we will be learning about in topic, phonics and maths.

Social Media:

Do follow Speen School and Little Apples on Facebook and Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/speencofeschool/> <https://m.facebook.com/SpeenSchool>

Little Apples/ main School Diary Dates:

(for Diary dates set for this academic year, please see the calendar link)

<https://www.speenschool.com/calendar/?calid=1&pid=5&viewid=1>

This is the space where activities taking place this half-term are mentioned, which are extra to the daily curriculum. Please remember to read and add to your diary, however these dates are not set in stone as they sometimes get changed for reasons beyond our control. It is very important that you read this reminder letter very carefully and make a note of any dates / date changes.

Wednesday 15 July
Thursday 16 July

1:30pm
5:30pm

KS1 Summer Performance
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Information above is for Parents of siblings in the Play.
Pre School have been invited to watch the Dress Rehearsal on Tuesday.

PTA NEWS

Thank you to everyone who supported the (very hot!) Village Fete this weekend, you were all amazing and extra shout out to Heather, Kathy & Elle for helping run this successful event!

Whether you volunteered your time, donated bottles and sweets, performed, danced, created artwork, entered the fancy dress competition, played football, or simply came along and spent money at the stalls, thank you. The fete was a tremendous success, and we hope everyone had a wonderful day.

We couldn't do it without such an amazingly supportive community of parents, families and friends. Your generosity, enthusiasm and willingness to get involved make the fete possible year after year.

A special thank you to the children of Speen School for bringing so much energy, creativity and fun to the day, and to the school staff for their continued support. The country dancers were, as always, one of the highlights of the fete and a wonderful reminder of the traditions that make our village so special.

Thank you all for helping to make the day such a success. We couldn't have done it without you!

Speen School PTA

Mental Health First Aider

We now have a trained member of staff in this qualification. Should you feel the need for any support please do not hesitate to get in touch via the School office. All enquiries will be treated confidentially. This note will stay in Monday Newsletter weekly.

We hope you find this Little Apples Monday Newsletter email useful, and if you need to know anything at all or would like clarification about the above, please do not hesitate to contact me. I work in the office every day: Monday/Fridays – an earlier finish of 1:30pm but the rest of the week is a 3:00pm finish. If you have emailed something that is urgent for the same day, and I have not replied, please give the school office a ring 01494 488321. Mrs Robyn Moore