# The Early Bird Pre-School CIC Newsletter









Term	Dates	Half Term	Setting Closed **
Autumn 2025	Weds 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept – Weds 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	27 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Monday 1st Sept – Home visits, new starters only Tues 2nd Sept – Open Morning, new starters only, staff training pm
Spring 2026	Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan-Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> March	16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan – inset day, staff training
Summer 2026	Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> April – Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> July	25 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May – closed, bank holiday

## **Dates for your diary:**

### **Summer Term 2025**

Friday 18th July

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

> Saturday 19th July

Leavers' Graduation Last day of term

Summer Party, 9.30-11.30am

# The Early Bird Pre-School CIC latest news ...



### The Nest

What a busy and quick term it has been! This term we have:

- · Supported Nest children with transitions to the Fledging's room.
- Enjoyed a homemade frozen treat
- · Had a lovely visit to Shepreth Wildlife Park
- · Cared for our ducklings

The children have taken part in lots of ice and water play to keep cool in the hot spell of weather we have had! We are sorry to be losing Sarah who will be rejoining the Fledglings room from September, but she will be moving with her current key children who I know will be delighted to keep her next year! I would like to thank our Nest parents for all the support in our first year in the Nest room here at Early Birds

Hayley, Nest Room Leader

### Fledglings

We have had such a fun term in the Fledglings room! We have planted tomatoes (thank you to a Nest parent for the donation along with the soil!). We are waiting for them to ripen so we can taste them We have also been growing strawberries, and pumpkins, the children like to help water them and pick any flowers with great curiosity!

There has been lots of mark making outdoors with chalks, including drawing around our peers and teachers on the pavement and talking about body parts.

Our Fledglings have shown a great interest in ladybirds, hunting for them and learning to hold them very gently! We have been counting their spots and looking at a fact book about them.

Lots of water play has been keeping us cool, ice play and new squirter bottles are very popular! Herbs such as rosemary and mint have enhanced the water play, also flower confetti, food colouring, foam and glitter. We have been introduced to a new one-handed tool - a wooden lemon reamer to juice lemons for a refreshing drink we have enjoyed at snack times. Some of us also made cookies, helping to weigh the ingredients. We had a visit from Mr Whippy the ice cream man and have had white gloop and sprinkle messy play!

Ebony, Setting Manager

### Whole setting

We thoroughly enjoyed our trip to Shepreth, the park and soft play were very popular! We have had visits from our local PCSO to tell us about his role and how the police help us. Our Early Birds had turns sitting in the car and trying on his hat! We had a visit from Melanie's daughter, Hope, who played some favourite nursery rhymes on her ukulele, the children loved exploring the instrument and Hope was kind enough to gift one to the children! If you play an instrument, we would love to hear from you!



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### Nutrition Guide

Please read our new Nutrition Guide before September to help with planning packed lunches.

# Pre-loved uniform available FREE! in reception Please help yourself

## Saturday Group Dates 2025-2026

4<sup>th</sup> October 6<sup>th</sup> December 7<sup>th</sup> March 6<sup>th</sup> June

All 9.30-11.30am Booking will be available nearer the time



# Summer Party Raffle

Thank you to 360 Soft Play, Church Farm Ardeley, Churro Boyz, K Jones Butchers, Jenner Mackay-James Photography, Laura Mercy Tattoos, S.A.P.A Body Piercing, Tannique, Shepreth Wildlife Park, Bury Lane Fun Barn and Little Rascals for raffle donations!

Tickets are now on sale - £1 per ticket, £5 for a strip. All proceeds will go to new resources for the setting.



# Goodbye and Good Luck to our Leavers!

This is always a sad time of the year for us when we say goodbye to some of our Early Birds.

We will miss you all very much but wish you lots of luck in your new schools and hope you enjoy your next big adventure!



# Wishing you all a lovely summer break. We will be back for the new term on Weds 3<sup>rd</sup> September!





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