

The Early Bird Pre-School CIC Newsletter



May 2025

Term	Dates	Half Term	Setting Closed **
Autumn 2025	Weds 3 rd Sept – Weds 17 th Dec	27 th – 31 st October	Monday 1 st Sept – Inset day Tues 2 nd Sept – Open morning (for new starters only) Thurs 18 th Dec – Christmas party
Spring 2026	Tues 6 th Jan – Fri 27 th March	16 th – 20 th February	Monday 5 th Jan – closed, staff training
Summer 2026	Mon 13 th April – Mon 20 th July	25 th – 29 th May	Monday 4 th May – closed, bank holiday Tuesday 21 st July – summer party

Dates for your diary:

Summer Term 2025

- Thursday 12th June
- Friday 20th June
- Friday 27th June
- Friday 18th July
- Saturday 19th July



Stay & Play Session with parents 10.15-11.15am and 2-3pm
Rainbow Day
Visit to Shepreth Wildlife Park (no normal sessions)
Graduation (details on invitations)
Summer Party 9.30-11.30am

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



The Nest

We have made the most of the beautiful sunshine this term and have been enjoying our garden space with lots of water play! We have started to introduce a mini obstacle course in the garden with crates and planks which have been very popular with our children. We have also been introducing more activities to support transitions to the Fledglings room, including our new play kitchen and dolls house.

Our younger nest children have been exploring books, musical instruments and mark making with a range of resources. We have also enjoyed walks to the park and baking. A lovely start to the summer term so far!

****Please remember to put ice packs in lunch boxes, especially now the weather is getting warmer!****

Hayley, Nest Room Leader

Fledglings

We have marked Smile week this week with lots of oral health invitations to play. Thank you for the lovely photos you have sent in, the children have enjoyed sharing these at group time. We have also enjoyed lots of outdoor play this term, with the 'ice cream parlour' being particularly popular. The children have been excited to use the resources provided for this and have had fun using their own imagination. We are hoping to have a visit from the ice cream van at the end of term! The mud kitchen and swing have also provided lots of fun; the swing now has a rope ladder for an extra challenge!

The children have been looking at lifecycles and have enjoyed watching our caterpillars grow into beautiful butterflies which have been released this week. We have shared stories and had frog spawn play (made using chia seeds!)

Last week was PANTS week in Fledglings. This is all about learning how to keep ourselves safe. We learnt the PANTS rule through repetition of the song and story and in small world play with dinosaurs. Have you met Pantosaurus? You can find him at <https://youtu.be/LnroTxz7USI?si=xVM5GrK6aV-hPLc> (Please check your parental controls before sharing this with your children)

We had a visit from a local bee-keeper for Bee Day. The children tried on the bee-keeper's protective hat and passed around honeycomb to look at. They also enjoyed honey on toast for snack!

Ebony, Director and Setting Leader, Fledglings

Polite Notice

Our new outdoor area is for our 1 year olds to enjoy while they are at pre-school. Your child is welcome to use the space before or after their session, but please stay outside with your child at all times and ensure toys are put back where they came from. Thank you

Upcoming...

We are looking forward to our **duckling hatching experience** starting on 2nd June. Well done to all the children with their sponsored Bunny Bounce to raise funds for this and thank you to you all for the amazing donations - we raised over £800!! This money will also be used on resources and equipment for the pre-school.



We can't wait for our trip to **Shepreth Wildlife Park** on 27th June. Please remember the setting is closed on this day, there are no normal sessions running. A letter will go out nearer the time with times and other information.



To mark Pride Month, we will be having a **Rainbow Day** on Friday 20th June. Children are invited to wear bright and colourful clothes or something with a rainbow on for the occasion! There will be lots of rainbow themed invitations to play on the day.



Syreta will be leading a **bubble themed week** 14th to 18th July. There will be lots of bubble play themed activities including messy play and stories



Plans are well under way for our **Summer Party** on Saturday 19th July, 9.30-11.30am.

There will be a bouncy castle, lots of outdoor play and activities, and a raffle with some great prizes! Tickets are £5 per child accompanied by one adult. More details available after half term

Polite Reminders

Please remember to apply suncream to your child before they come to pre-school. Please also provide your child with a named sunhat.



Please label lunch boxes, bottles and Tupperware with your child's name.

Thank you!



Saturday Group

7th June

9.30-11.30am

If you would like to come along, please email to book a place. The ducklings will be with us for this group which will be run by Syreta and Nick

We have been joined by a new team member, Melanie, who comes with a wealth of childcare experience. She is helping in both rooms, for our busy lunch times!

Have a great half term! We look forward to seeing you all w/c Monday 2nd June

Natasha - Director & Early Years Manager

Ebony – Director, Early Years Leader & Designated Safeguarding Officer

Syreta - Early Years Deputy & SENCO

Kirstie -Snr Early Years Educator, H&S Officer

Katherine – Finance Manager

Kerry - Early Years Educator

Nick - Early Years Educator

Sarah – Early Years Educator

Hayley – Early Years Educator

Maisie – Early Years Helper

Caitlin – Early Years Helper

Kateryna – Early Years Helper

Melanie – Early Years Helper

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