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NEWSLETTER

March 2026



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NEW BABY ROOM PLACES

Places are **now available**.

We have one of the largest baby units in Padiham & Burnley and all our qualified team receive mandatory additional training specifically for babies. We are registered to provide 30 hours **FREE** childcare for children aged 9 months

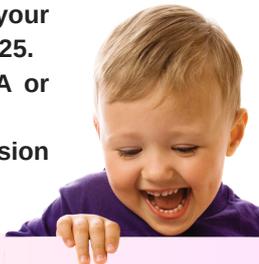
TODDLER & PRESCHOOL PLACES NOW AVAILABLE

We're pleased to say that we now have places available, including the 15 & 30 hours free childcare, for 2, 3 & 4 year old's. Please just call in, or email padiwacks@gmail.com for further details.



FREE CARE AVAILABLE TODAY FOR TWO YEAR OLD'S PROVIDING:-

- Your child was two before 1st January 2026. You can also start in March if your child was two before 31st December 2025.
- If you get income support, JSA, ESA or Universal credit
- Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, Working Tax Credit



INTERNET ONLINE SAFETY

We do explain to all the children about internet safety at Padiwacks. We also have dedicated boards highlighting internet safety and take the matter very seriously at Padiwacks. We also have a 'mobile phone and social networking policy' which we've had in place for many years and this covers internet safety. It's important that we all safeguard and protect our children online. We'd recommend all parents go to <https://www.childnet.com/> to access internet safety for your children. If you have any questions please speak to Olivia or Chloe.

We will continue to share information to families with further updates, links or flyers throughout 2025 because internet safety is extremely important for our children.



More families now eligible



Government funded early education & childcare places available here.

Call in to discuss your child's needs.



MARCH EVENTS

We aim to participate in a number of activities every month and may link to the curriculum / Early Years Foundation Stage if appropriate and relevant to nursery aged children. In respect to the Out of School club we do have a weekly plan (theme) and may also plan additional activities as per the monthly events as per the children's interests.

1st March - St David's Day

2nd to 3rd - Purim

2nd - Dr. Seuss Day

3rd - Lantern Festival

4th - Holi

5th - World Book Day

6th to 15th - British Science Week

15th - Mother's Day

17th - St. Patrick's Day

17th to 23rd - Sign Language Week

19th to 20th - Eid

19th to 20th Nyepi:Bali's Day of Silence & Hindu New Year

19th - St. Joseph's Day

20th - Red Nose Day

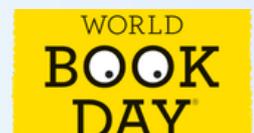
20th - 21st June - Spring

21st - Comic Relief

22nd - Earth Hour

30th - Beginning of Easter Holidays

(3rd April Good Friday)



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Holiday club - all inclusive

- Fees from £25 per day
- Homemade meals included
- Daily trips to places of interest including museums
- Qualified staff, everybody has first aid
- No hidden extra fees,
- Available from 30th March throughout Easter.

Pupils Premium / Parents week

We have used our pupils premium money in the Autumn term for staff training, resources and also new furniture to expand our new pre-school room, including new resources and furniture for the toddler room. The pupils premium money is designed to help support children in nursery to get the best start in life. We will be updated our plans in March for this term to help provide the best ongoing care for the children.



LANCASHIRE WALK AND TALK

We are continuing to support and work with the Lancashire Walk and Talk Initiative. Walk and Talk is about inspiring families to go outside and communicate with each other. Talking to young children during everyday activities can help them learn communication skills such as:

- listening
- attention
- turn taking in a conversation
- learning new words



WHAT HAVE YOUR NURSERY CHILDREN BEEN DOING?

We want to know what your nursery children have been doing so we can link to their planning, what they've learned at home (milestones) and practically anything that helps us to get the best out of your children including trips to the zoo, holidays etc. The bond between parents, children and staff is really important.

SCHOOL TERM DATES

- Ends: on Friday 27 March 2026
- Summer Term 2026**
- Starts: Monday 13 April 2026
- May Day: Monday 4 May 2026
- Half term: Monday 25 May - Friday 29 May 2026
- Ends: Monday 20 July 2026

PADIWACKS LIBRARY

We now have library books available on our ground floor. We would like children to take the books home so please help yourself to the books and then bring them back. There is no 'signing them in or out'. We just want the children to enjoy reading at home.



NEW HEALTHY MENU

All the children enjoy homemade meals at our setting. A new menu was released in February so please check our menu both online and it's also available on the front door.