

NEWSLETTER

May 2026

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The Newsletter is also available online if you go to our homepage www.padiwacks.co.uk or If you would like a copy of this newsletter please speak to Olivia or Sharon



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 April 2026. You can also start in April if your child was two before 31st March 2026.
- 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.

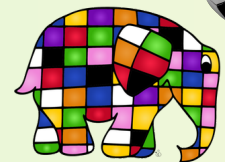
We will continue to share information to families with further updates, links or flyers throughout 2026 because internet safety is extremely important for our children.



MAY 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 to 31st - National Walking Month
- 1st to 31st - RNLI Mayday
- 2nd - Space Day 2026
- 4th - May Day 2026 (**Bank holiday - Closed**)
- 4th to 10th - Hedgehog Awareness Week
- 5th to 11th - Deaf Awareness Week
- 5th to 11th - Red Cross Appeal Week 2026
- 5th to 31st - Outdoor Play Month
- 8th - VE Day
- 10th - World Migratory Bird Day
- 12th - Florence Nightingale's Birthday (nurses day)
- 12th to 12th June - National Smile Month
- 12th - Wesak Day / Vesak Day
- 12th to 18th - National Sun Awareness Week
- 13th to 17th - Eurovision Song Contest
- 14th - Apraxia Awareness
- 16th - Endangered Species Day
- 16th - FA Cup Final
- 19th to 23rd - Walk to School Week
- 21st to 23rd - Shavuot
- 23rd - World Turtle Day
- 24th - Elmer Day
- 25th to 8th June - French Open
- 25th - May Bank holiday - **Closed**



More families now eligible



Government funded early education & childcare places available here.

Call in to discuss your child's needs.



Our aim is to provide quality childcare with the motivation of Lancashire County Council and OFSTED. We aim to work hard in the community, helping raise money and also work closely with other nurseries and childcare settings in the area.

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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 26th May to 29th May.

Pupils Premium / Parents week

We have used our pupils premium money in the Spring term for staff training and resources. We will discuss further in our term feedback In May with parents. 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 May for the new term from April to August 2026 to help provide the best ongoing care for the children.



All inclusive:
Trips
Meals
Activities



Please
speak to your
Keyworker

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 April so please check our menu both online and it's also available on the front door.

