



Newsletter - 2nd May 2025

DIARY DATES

Sunday 4th May & Monday 5th May - Tatsfield Art Group Exhibition in the Village Hall (TN16 2AG) 11am-4.30pm (a selection of pieces of work by pupils from school will be on display).

Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday (school closed).

Tuesday 6th May - Kindness Ambassadors leading story time at Little Acorns Nursery.

Thursday 8th May - VE Day. Street party school lunch and children can wear red, white and blue with their school uniform.

VE Day events in the village, including the lighting of the beacon as part of the national commemorations.

Friday 9th May - 8.45am - Parent Workshop about Online Safety in the Learning Zone with Mrs Ford. All parents welcome.

[Click here](#) to read the recent letter sent to parents about Online Safety awareness.

Friday 9th May - PTA pre-loved uniform stall after school - all items free to take!

Monday 12th May - Year 6 SATs Week.

Tuesday 13th May - Reception Class visit to Gatton Park.

Thursday 15th May - World Bee Day lunch (book via Arbor).

Friday 16th May - 8.50am Wrens Class Learning Assembly in school hall (parents and family members welcome).

w/b Monday 19th May - Enrichment Week (this year's theme is "Belonging").

Friday 23rd May - 2pm, Don Rae Dance Performance on the field for Enrichment Week (all parents welcome to watch the performance if the weather is fine).

Friday 23rd May - End of half term.

*Please check term dates on the [school website](#) before booking holidays.
Absence for holidays is not authorised and could result in a penalty notice fine.*

NETBALL CHAMPIONS!

The Year 5 and 6 netball team have been fully committed to progressing their netball skills by attending a weekly netball club with Mrs Collins over the Autumn and Spring term. At the Tandridge school tournament last week, their hard work certainly paid off. All seven players rotated positions, as you need to in high-5 netball, adapting their skill set by defending, then shooting and moving the ball around the court. Fantastic sportsmanship was shown throughout the whole tournament. Supported by some superb goal scoring by Toby and Bella, we ended winning the tournament! A huge well done to the team, Mrs Collins is incredibly proud of the team's achievement.

Netball team - Olivia, Emily, Laicey, Shea, Toby, Bella and Betty



SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

As part of our celebrations to mark the 15th anniversary of the current school building, the whole school took part in an art project, representing their class birds in different media. All of the children's work will be displayed in school at the end of the term during Enrichment Week (more information to follow) but some children's work has been chosen to be part of the Tatsfield Art Group exhibition in the Village Hall this weekend.

Wrens - Ada, Sophia, Teddy, Luna P, Wren

Robins - Jake, Autumn, Albert, Max, Skye

Kingfishers - Evie, Ellie, Harriet, Arthur B, Sonny

Woodpeckers - Alfie, Alice, Lilia, Charlie, Louis, Imogen, Harry, Milani, Reece

Kestrels - Oscar B, Charlie R, Lilly-Anne, Willow, Isla

Owls - Cali, Amelie, Frankie-Ella, Harper, Max

Eagles - Shea, Alex, Lolly, Madison, Kathryn

Members of the public are invited to attend the exhibition on Sunday 4th or Monday 5th May between 11am-4.30pm and we will let you know when all of the children's work will be displayed for you to see.



LUNCHTIME FUN

Thank you to everyone who has been able to donate boxes, pegs and sheets for lunchtime play. Construction, den building and junk modelling activities have been very popular! Items that are clean and safe for children to use can be left in the gazebo.



FOREST SCHOOL

We're so pleased that all classes are able to use the Forest School this year. Wrens have really enjoyed their sessions so far this term. They have played in the Forest School kitchen, on the swing and enjoyed banana snacks around the campfire!

ATTENDANCE

Class attendance for the last two weeks :

Reception Class (Wrens) - 95.3%

Year 1 (Robins) - 97.4%

★ **Year 2 (Kingfishers) - 98.6% Congratulations Kingfishers!** ★

Year 3 (Woodpeckers) - 95.2%

Year 4 (Kestrels) - 98.5%

Year 5 (Owls) - 95.6 %

Year 6 (Eagles) - 95.9%

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RED NOSE DAY JOKES!

Here are a selection of jokes that were posted in our school postbox for Red Nose Day comic relief!

What kind of keys open a banana?

A monkey!

(Jake in Year 1)

Why was 6 afraid of 7?

Because 7, 8, 9!

(Harry in Year 1)

Why was the egg laughing?

Because he cracked himself up!

(Archie in Year 2)

What happens when two giraffes collide together?

A giraffic jam!

Why did the chicken cross the road?

Because it was egg-sploring!

(Alex in Year 1)

What is a plumber's favourite vegetable?

A leek!

(Willow in Year 4)

What do you call an alligator detective?

An investi-gator!

(Ethan N in Reception)

A sandwich walked into a bar and the bar tender said "sorry we don't serve food here!"

(Harry T in Year 4)

What's it called when James Bond takes a bath?

Bubble07!

(Poppie in Year 4)

Where do snowmen put their web pages?

On the winternet!

(Laynie-May in Reception)

What do you call a deer with no eye?

I've no eye-dear!

(Jasmine in Year 2)

What do you call a pig who does karate?

A pork chop!

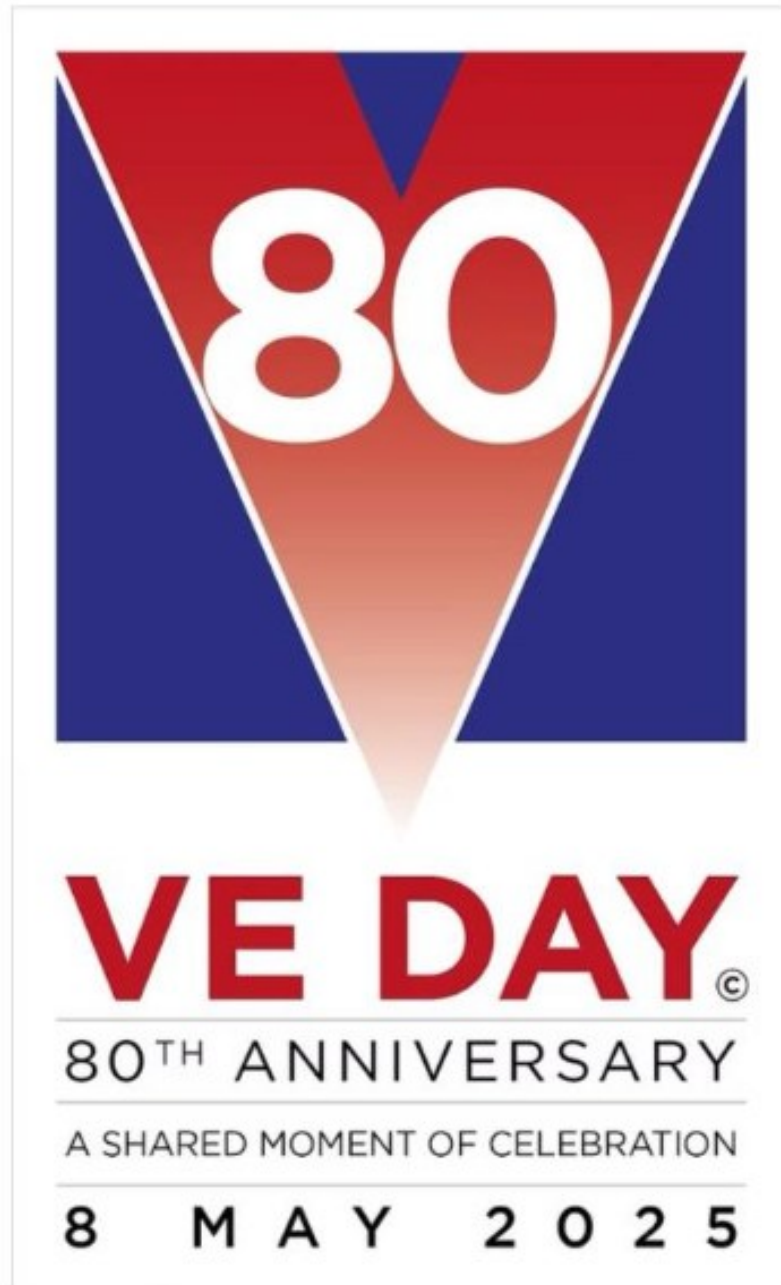
(Mila in Year 1)

What do you call a dinosaur that is a noisy sleeper?

A tyranno-snore-us rex!

(Atlas in Reception)

TATSFIELD VILLAGE CELEBRATE



Service starts 9:15pm

National Beacon Lighting 9:30pm

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Little Acorns Preschool,
Tatsfield Village Hall,
Westmore Green,
Tatsfield TN16 2AG
Tele: 01959 540775



Job title: Preschool manager

Term time only Monday to Friday [25 hours per week]

Responsible for: all staff

Salary: Annual, Negotiable from £17,400

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for more information**



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Teachers, Support Staff, Parents

'AI at Home'

*An introduction to AI including how it is used
within school by both staff and students*

Speaker: David Curran

**Assistive Technology Lead/Head of Careers at
Moon Hall School**

Tuesday 6th May 2025 at 7.30pm

Members (per family) £3.00

Non-Members (per family) £6.00

**Places will be limited so please email
sesdadyslexia@hotmail.com to book your place**

There will be a fund-raising raffle

***The meeting will be held at
Canada Hall, All Saints Church
Battlebridge Lane, Merstham RH1 3LH***

***Details from SESDA Helpline: 01737 556173
Or email; sesdadyslexia@hotmail.com***

Sports Elite May Camp

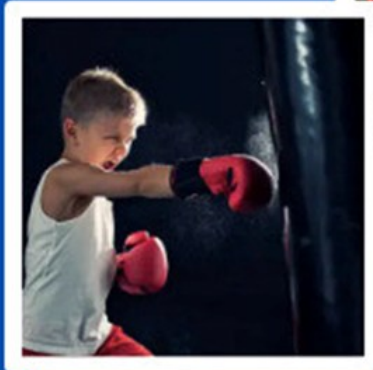


27th-29th May

Holland Junior School
£30 per day, £81 All Three
8:45-3:00pm

WHAT TO BRING

- Appropriate Footwear
- Water Bottle
- Packed Lunch
- Appropriate Sportswear



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Safeguarding requirement:

Little Acorns is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and their families. It is a requirement of all staff that they share this commitment and follow the prescribed policy and procedures to continuously promote a culture of safeguarding across the whole organisation. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (1974) and does require an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring service check. Applicants must be prepared to disclose any convictions that they may have and any orders which have been made against them.

Main duties:

- To ensure the welfare and safety of children is promoted within the setting and that any child protection concerns are always acted upon appropriately and immediately.
- To take responsibility for drawing up long term, medium term and sessional curriculum plans which consider the requirements of the Early Years Foundation stage (EYFS), and to monitor the effectiveness of the settings curriculum; this may include working with external professionals.
- To ensure the weekly planning of activities and events is shared on a rota basis by all staff and supported by the manager.
- To be responsible for providing a high quality of education and learning, ensuring that staff are properly deployed and to offer appropriate stimulation and support to the children attending the setting.
- To take responsibility for ensuring that performance management systems are in place and followed e.g. induction, probation, supervision, team meetings, appraisals and objective setting.
- To ensure that staff are appropriately supported to carry out their role effectively, including the Early Years SENCO team.
- To effectively supervise staff daily. To be responsible for monitoring the quality of teaching, to complete staff appraisals and to identify in service training needs.
- To be responsible for implementing our system of observation and record keeping so that children's progress and achievements are effectively and regularly assessed and to monitor the effectiveness of the assessment procedures.
- To ensure that accurate and up-to-date record keeping systems are in place, e.g. Children's records of progress and any behavioural and development records, any safeguarding issues, health and safety issues, notes taken at staff supervision meetings, details of targets set and any performance concerns discussed.
- To ensure records are properly maintained and updated e.g. the daily attendance register, accident and incident records.
- To work with the committee in all aspects of the overall running of the preschool.

- Do continue a good working relationship between Little Acorns Preschool and Tatsfield school, local primary schools and the wider community.
- To liaise closely with parents/carers, informing them about the setting and its curriculum, exchanging information about children's progress and encouraging parents' involvement.
- To ensure that Little Acorns is a safe environment for children, staff and others and that equipment is safe, standards of hygiene are high, safety procedures are implemented at all times and fire drills are regularly practised.
- To liaise with the local authority, Ofsted services and other professionals as necessary and ensure that all legal and statutory requirements are implemented. To provide reports as required.
- To implement any recommendations made following regulatory inspections.
- To have an appropriate action plan in place which enables the setting to achieve and maintain a minimum 'good' Ofsted rating at the next inspection.
- To contribute to and to implement all early year's policies and procedures, e.g. register and signing out procedures, child protection, health and safety, confidentiality, food safety, setting hygiene.
- To liaise with the preschool admin/office staff and ensure the preschool budget, petty cash and income collection or invoicing systems are followed.
- To attend any conferences, training events, or meetings deemed necessary for CPD and to keep up to date with current good practice.
- To attend any village hall management meetings and represent the preschool.
- To undertake any other reasonable duties as directed by and in accordance with the settings business plan objectives.

This job description is not an exhaustive list of duties, and the post holder will be required to undertake any other reasonable duties discussed and directed by the Committee.

The successful applicant is required to be flexible and adaptable in their approach to fulfilling their duties.

Person specification

Essential criteria:

- At least two years proven supervisory/management Experience working in early years care and education setting or at least two years other suitable experience.
- Minimum Level 3 qualification that is recognised as 'Full and relevant ' by the Department of Education.
- Demonstrate a commitment to continuously promoting a culture of safeguarding.
- Ability to ensure that the setting achieves and maintains at least a 'good' Ofsted rating.
- Sound understanding of child development, learning and needs.
- Ability to plan and implement a preschool curriculum taking into account the SEN Code of practise, child protection procedures and equal opportunities considerations.
- Demonstratable and detailed knowledge of current legislation relevant to the early years.
- Understanding of the Prevent Duty in the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 as it relates to early years settings.
- Ability to comply with the requirements placed on the setting by the EYFS.
- Ability to work with parents and families to encourage their involvement.
- To support the committee in marketing the setting to maximise the occupancy levels and fee income.
- Ability to effectively lead and manage a team of adults, including conducting performance processes, e.g. induction, supervision meetings, appraisals, and setting individual objectives.
- Commitment to equal opportunities and an understanding of equality and diversity issues.
- Ability to write clear reports.

- To hold Maths Level 2 or achieve this within two years of the appointment.
- Our manager will be expected to complete Surreys DSL training.

Desirable criteria.

- Up-to-date training in relevant certificates; First aid, safeguarding, SENCO

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Please contact us on the email below for an application form to complete in full and return together with a covering letter.

jenny@littleacornstatsfield.co.uk

*We are unable to accept CVS without a completed application form.