

June Newsletter

Term Dates and Upcoming Events	
Tuesday 28 th May 2024-Friday 31 st May 2024	Half Term
Monday 3 rd June 2024	Term 6 Funding Begins
Tuesday 4 th & Thursday 6 th June, 2024	Picture Day- all sections
Friday 7 th June 2024	Butterflies getting ready for school workshop
Friday 14 th June	Butterflies Fathers' Day Stay and Play
Monday 17 th June 2024	Dragonflies Fathers' Day Stay and Play
Wednesday 10 th July 2024	Folkestone Museum Visit- Caterpillars & Butterflies
Wednesday 17 th July 2024	Dragonflies & Caterpillars Stay and Play
Thursday 18 th July 2024	Last Day to sign Funding Forms for Term 1/2
Friday 19 th July 2024	Butterfly Graduation
Monday 22 nd July 2024	Last Day of Funding for Term 6 and attendance for Term time only school leavers
Monday 26 th August 2024	August Bank Holiday Nursery Closed
Friday 30 th August 2024	Last Day of attendance for school leavers
Monday 2 nd September 2024	First day of term 1- funding begins
October 25 th 2024	Last day of funding for term 1
October 28 th -November 1 st	Half Term- no funding
November 4 th 2024	First day of term 2- funding begins
December 13 th 2024	Last day of term 2
December 16 th 2024- January 3 rd 2025	Christmas Break- No Funding
December 25 th 2024- January 1 st 2025	Christmas Holidays- Nursery Closed
Thursday 2 nd January 2025	Nursery Reopens 8am



Car Seat Safety



Please could we remind all parents & carers that it is a legal requirement for all children under the age of 12 to be in a EU approved height or weight based car seat. If you are unsure of the appropriate type of seat for you child please visit <https://www.gov.uk/child-car-seats-the-rules>. As an educational institution we have a duty of care to all children registered with us. This includes ensuring a safe arrival and departure from the setting.



Butterflies Getting Ready for School Workshop

Friday 7th June pm-5pm



For those who would like to attend the workshop please note that the workshop is for parents only and we will not have capacity for children who are not already booked in to attend. Due to space availability, we can only allow for 1 parent per child to attend. Please make sure to add your name to the sign-up sheet on the front door.



Picture Day

We will be holding Photo Days Tuesday 4th & Thursday 6th of June. If for any reason you do not wish for your child to participate in this please let us know as soon as possible. Alternatively if your child is not scheduled to be attending on these day but you would still like them to have their photo taken please contact us at parents@radnorparkkindergarten.com and we will book you a slot to come in on the 6th June.

TAX Free Childcare

You can get up to £500 every 3 months (£2,000 a year) for each of your children to help with the costs of childcare.

If you get Tax-Free Childcare, the government will pay £2 for every £8 you pay your childcare provider. This is paid via an online childcare account that you set up for your child.

You can get Tax-Free Childcare at the same time as 30 hours free childcare if you're eligible for both.

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>



Packed Lunches

Please can we remind all parents to follow our packed lunch policy.

Lunches should **NOT** include-
Chocolate bars- Twix/Mars etc.

Sweets

Juice/Fizzy Drinks

Nuts, Nut Products or any items that may contain nuts



Sandwiches should not include

Sweet spread fillings- Jam/Honey/Nutella

Nut Spreads- Peanut butter, almond butter etc.

Salty Fillings such as Marmite

For further information relating to your child's packed lunch please see our packed lunch policy which can be found on our website or from our administrator.



Outside Wear & Spare Clothes



Now that the lovely summer weather is here, could you please ensure that your children have appropriate clothing for the garden and outdoor play. This may include jackets, wellies, hats, spare clothes, and/or all in one rain coats if necessary

We like to get the children out even in inclement weather and don't want anyone to miss out.

Could you also please ensure that you send in at least two changes of clothing for your little one including socks and underwear. We love to get the children involved in messy play and want to ensure they always have something warm and comfortable to change into afterwards if needed.

Lastly could any borrowed clothing please be returned to the nursery so that we have extras on hand should another child need them.



Ladybirds (Babies)



Room Leader: Ellie
Supervisor: Vicky

Apprentice: Emily

Books of the Month

- Snail and the Whale
- Off to the beach
- My first sea creatures' book
- Jungle Tails

Themes

- Ocean & Ocean wildlife
- Summer
- Beach, Sand and Waterplay
- Garden time and exploring the outside

We have been doing a bit of a spring clean and there is a range of story books on our front porch free to take so please help yourself and enjoy with your little one.

If anyone has any sleep bags in good condition that they no longer need our baby unit team would greatly appreciate any donations.



Bumblebees (Toddlers)



Room Leader: Leyla
Supervisor: Hayley

Practitioner: Demelza
Apprentice: Suzie

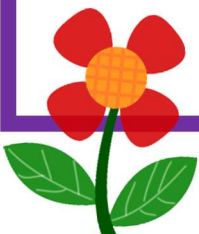
Apprentice: Shannon
Apprentice: Alyssa

Books of the Week

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Activities

- We will be exploring fruit and vegetables using fruit stalls, role play and different scented play doughs.
- Vehicle sand play
- Exploring busy beach with a beach and sea themed water & sand tray. We will also be making ice cream using mashed potato.
- Painting with vegetable stamps.





Dragonflies



Room Leader: Stevie
Supervisor: Katy

Practitioner: Stephanie
Apprentice: Keira

Apprentice: Amber



This month we will be exploring under the sea and summer. Also, exciting news; our tadpoles are beginning to get their legs now!

Books & Activities of the Month

- Commotion in the ocean
- Rainbow fish
- I love my Daddy
- Nursery Rhyme Book

Monday 17th June- Father's Day stay and play 4:40pm-5:15pm. Please make sure to add your name to the sign-up sheet on the door.

Wednesday 17th July- We will be holding an end of the year teddy bear picnic with our neighbours the caterpillars. Invites will shortly be sent out. However, due to space restrictions, signing up is still required and it is on a first come first served. Please make sure to register your interest and add your name to the sign-up sheet on the door when it is available.

The weather is currently very up and down so could you please ensure that your child is sent in with the appropriate clothing for the day and plenty of spare clothes.



Caterpillars



Room Leader: Sarah
Practitioner: Arpana

Practitioner: Stephen
Practitioner: Lucie

Books of the Weeks

- Pip & Egg
- Supertato bubbly trouble
- Three little pigs
- The girl and the dinosaur

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Please can we ask that you send your child in with a sunhat now that the sun has started to come out.



Butterflies



Room Leader: Ciara
Supervisor: Shannon

Practitioner: Shay
Practitioner: Lainey

Apprentice: Molly

Books of the week:

- Captain Franks Treasures
- Zagazoo
- The Singing Mermaid
- Getting Ready for School

Themes and Special days:

- Under the Sea
- Getting Ready for School
- Father's Day
- Ahoy Pirates

Friday 7th June- School Readiness Workshop- The workshop is for parents only, no children or siblings please and can we kindly ask that only one parent per child attend.

Friday 14th June - Fathers Day Stay & Play: With limited spaces available for the event could we please ask that only 1 parent per child attends and please no siblings. There is a sign up sheet available on the front door for those that would like to attend.

"June whispers promises of endless sunshine and lazy afternoons, inviting us to embrace relaxation and tranquillity." -Luanna Rice



Do you know who you can talk to?

If you have any queries or concerns, big or small, or you would like to talk to someone about your child. We are here to help!



Ting Healey Owner-
Invoices, Funding,
Sessions and FEES



**Emily Sargeant
Setting Manager-**
Designated Child
Protection Officer,



**Emma Reese Deputy
Manager-** Special
Educational Needs and
Disability Officer, Deputy
Designated Safeguarding



**Tracey Leighton Duty
Manager-** Health and
Safety Officer, Deputy
Designated
Safeguarding Lead



**Chloe Tidy Duty
Manager-** Online
Safety Co-Ordinator,
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead



**Brenley Martin
Administrator-** New
Applications,
Funding Support,
Sessions and FEES



Coffee Mornings

We will be holding coffee mornings at each of the following centres. A time and place for parents of children with Special Needs and Disabilities to come together and share the joys and challenges of parenting a child with additional needs.



Rainbow Centre,
Great Chart
Bypass, Ashford

The Village,
Denmark Street,
Folkestone

Aspen SMILIE
Centre, Whitfield
Dover

Wednesday 17th April

Wednesday 24th April

Wednesday 1st May

Wednesday 8th May

Wednesday 15th May

Wednesday 22nd May

Wednesday 5th June

Wednesday 12th June

Wednesday 19th June

Wednesday 26th June

Wednesday 3rd July

Wednesday 10th July

All sessions are from 10am to 12 noon.

Please let us know if you plan to attend so we can make sure we can accommodate your needs.

Email - familysupport@includesus2.org.uk

If you are not a member of Includes Us 2, please go to our website or join here

[Membership Application Form \(jotform.com\)](https://jotform.com)

Membership is free.

Please note

Ashford - We are able to provide hot drinks.

Folkestone - We cannot provide hot drinks.

Dover - We are able to provide hot drinks.



Zoom Support Groups

For parents & carers of children and young people with a disability or additional need (no diagnosis needed) living in Ashford, Dover, Folkestone and Hythe

Our Zoom support groups provide a relaxed and informal space for parents & carers to get together and access support. Speakers are regularly invited to these sessions to provide information and advice about specialist services.



Evenings 7.30 -9pm	Mornings 10 -11.30am
Monday 15th January	Tuesday 20th February
Monday 11th March	Tuesday 16th April
Monday 13th May	Tuesday 11th June
Monday 8th July	

If you're not a member of Includes Us 2, please fill in a membership form [here](#).

Becoming a member will keep you informed of all of our support groups and events and you will also receive a zoom link to join before the meetings.

[Membership Application Form \(jotform.com\)](#)

Membership is free.

Community Support & Wellbeing Resources

Food & Essentials

The Salvation Army: salvationarmy.org.uk/Folkestone

Hythe Pantry: www.facebook.com/RainbowCentre01

Dover Pantry: www.facebook.com/doverpantry twitter.com/Doverpantry

Bechange Community Fridge: www.bechange.org.uk/support-services/community-fridge

Folkestone Community Fridge: www.facebook.com/Folkestonecommunityfridge

The Bread & Butter Thing (weekly food bags): www.breadandbutterthing.org/members

Food Sharing Apps: OLIO (Connects neighbours with each other and local businesses)

Too Good to Go (Anti food waste app linked to local café's & restaurants)

Financial Support

Help for Households: www.helpforhouseholdscampaign.gov.uk

Cost of living Support: www.gov.uk/cost-of-living

Citizens Advice: citizensadvice.org.uk/dept-and-money/get-help-with-the-cost-of-living

Home Essentials in a Crisis: kent.gov.uk/social-care-and-health/care-and-support/benefits/home-essentials-in-a-crisis

Mental Health

NHS Psychological Therapies Service- www.nhs.uk/services/mental-health/find-a-psychological-therapies-service (Common mental health issues including anxiety, depression and the need for counselling)

Folkestone Safe Haven: www.hestia.org/folkestone-and-hythe-district

South Kent Mind: www.southkentmind.org.uk

Lighthouse43: www.lighthouse43.co.uk

Samaritans: Call 116 123

Mind Information Line: 0300 123 3393

Rethink Mental Illness Helpline: 0808 801 0525