



Colleges

Nursery School

NEWSLETTER

26th September 2025

Celebrating Autumn



Over the next few weeks will be Celebrating Autumn at Colleges. Next week will be using the apple press to make our own delicious apple juice. **Any donations of apples will be gratefully received** as we'll need lots and lots of apples! We would also appreciate donations of conkers, acorns and any other Autumn treasures you find out and about on your walks.



The Nursery Trolleys

Our keyworkers would like to remind parents/carers to **name**, any bags of clothes or nappies etc that you leave on the nursery trolleys at drop off.

Also, please ensure your **child's clothing** including coats, hats, scarves and gloves are **clearly labelled** to avoid them becoming lost.

Attendance and Reporting Absence

Please take some time to read about the importance of your child's attendance at nursery by following this link to our website:

[Attendance Information - Colleges Nursery School Cambridge](#)

I'm afraid our main phone line is still down but you can report your child's absence via text/call to this number: **07345 739 213**

Alternatively, you can email us at:

office@colleges.cambs.sch.uk



Autumn is coming to Colleges Nursery School. Next week we will be exploring all things Autumn and making our own fresh apple juice in the apple press ☺



Family Display Board – please send in your family pictures 😊

A reminder that we are still working on our Family Board here at nursery and would love to be able to display photos of our Colleges' families to celebrate the cultural diversity we enjoy here at Colleges Nursery School. If you would like to be included please send a picture of your family to office@colleges.cambs.sch.uk
Thank you for your support with this new exciting equality project!

Acorn Project

We are pleased to inform you that the Acorn Project will now have regular drop-in sessions in the small hall at the Arbury Community Centre. They will be there every **Tuesday between 8-11am**. Here is some info from Rachael at Acorn:

We are a safe, confidential space for any parents or carers that could benefit from a little extra support. I am the hub coordinator and therapist. I work with children and families that have experienced trauma and abuse. My caseworker Nora is also a qualified therapist and can support families with housing and financial hardship. As a team we can support with issues around wellbeing, family difficulties, SEN, parenting strategies, life admin and referrals for therapy and legal advice. We have lovely volunteers that are trained in peer support and always on hand with a cup of tea. Parents are welcome to bring children in with them.

Please follow this link to the Acorn Project website if you'd like to find out more:
[Cambridge Acorn Project](#)

Free online session – Under-fives and Sleep

Pinpoint's participation session for parents on **Wednesday, 1 October 2025, from 12 pm to 2 pm**, focuses on under-fives and sleep.

Sleep specialist and Pinpoint favourite, Nickie Sutton from Peak Sleep will be with us to explain why our children find sleep so difficult, alongside suggestions and strategies we can try tonight for a better sleep for the whole family.

There will be opportunity for discussion and questions with Nickie and the professionals from health, education, and care to look at ways they can support our family too. For more information and to book, please visit:

[under-fives working together - topic - sleep tickets, Wednesday, 1 October 2025, at 12 pm | Eventbrite.](#)

Alternatively, email linda@pinpoint-cambs.org.uk.

Save the Date

(Please note: dates and times may be subject to change. Newly added or altered dates will appear in **red**)



School Term & Holiday Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025	Term starts for Returning children - Thursday 4th September New Children - Term start date (see individual sheet for your child's start date)
Half Term	Monday 27 October- Friday 31 October Staff Training day - Monday 3 November
Autumn Term closes	Friday 19 December 2025 (last day of school)
Spring Term 2026	Term starts staff - Monday 5 January Term starts children - Tuesday 6 January Staff Training day - Friday 13 February
Half Term	Monday 16 February - Friday 20 February
Spring Term closes	Friday 27 March 2026 (last day of school)
Summer Term 2026	Staff Training day - Monday 13 April Term starts Tuesday 14 April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 4 May (nursery closed)
Half Term	Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May Staff Training day - Monday 1 June
Summer Term closes	Friday 17 July 2026 (last day of school)

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