





September Newsletter 2025

What a lovely first part of Autumn term with our nursery children! Our nursery practitioners have provided a wonderful range of learning opportunities within the nursery curriculum, extending on current and new knowledge. We have some important information to share with you, so please take a look at the information provided below.

I look forward to our year ahead and the wonderful opportunities that await us.

Rachel Sharman

SMART Nursery Manager

HELP PAYING FOR CHILDCARE

Any **one** of the following schemes...

Age 0-11 <small>Or 16 if disabled</small>	Age 0-16	Age 0-15 <small>Or 16 if disabled</small>
Get up to £2000 per child For working families	Claim back up to 85% of costs For working families	Claim back up to 70% of costs For working families
TAX-FREE CHILDCARE	UNIVERSAL CREDIT	TAX CREDITS

AVAILABLE IN UK

... **can** be used with

FREE HOURS OF CHILDCARE

Age 2	Age 3-4	Age 3-4
For families getting certain government support	For all families	For working families
15 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE	15 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE	30 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE

AVAILABLE IN ENGLAND
For offers in Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland check childcarechoices.gov.uk
Speak to your provider about any additional charges that may apply

For full details visit childcarechoices.gov.uk

Getting childcare vouchers?
Go to GOV.UK to find out more



Government Funded Hours

If you are entitled to the working hours government funding from 9 months up, we strongly advise you reconfirm your eligibility **every 3 months**. If you do not reconfirm your eligibility your code and funding will not be issued for the following month.

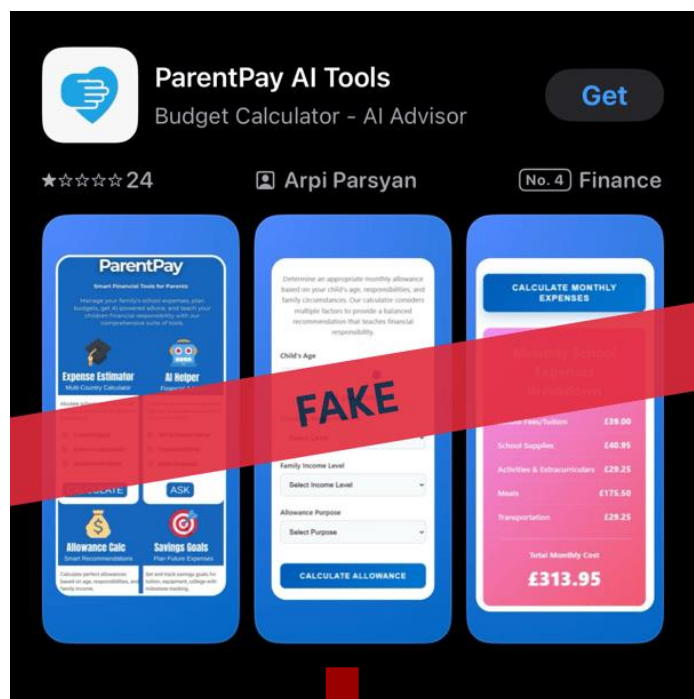
Codes with an end date between 11 February and 26 May 2025

→ Grace Period ended: 31 August 2025

Codes with an end date between 27 May and 21 October 2025

→ Grace Period ends: 31 December 2025

Impact: After the Grace Period ends, codes will no longer be valid.



We have been alerted via the ParentPay team to a fraudulent app in the Apple Store that mimics ParentPay branding and wanted to let you know about this. An image of the app's appearance is included to the left.



Tapestry

If your child has just started at our provision, please ensure you activate your tapestry account!

If you already have an account and your child has just started, please refresh to connect new observations.

Dobwalls Community Primary School

100% Success in the 2025 National Year 1 Phonics Check

Starting school in September 2026?
Come along and see us here at Dobwalls

Open Evening

Thursday 6th November
Drop in anytime between 4pm - 6pm

For more information:
Call: 01579 320527
www.dobwalls.net

Together for Families

The deadline for applications is **15 January 2026**

Do you have a child born **between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022?**

If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2026 for your child by the deadline of **15 January 2026**.

Please note: you will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. If a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions for more information and to access the online application system.

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Half Term Breaks

October Half Term:

Last Day: Friday 17th October 2025

Return Date: Monday 3rd November 2025

December Half Term:

Last Day: Friday 19th December 2025

Return: Monday 5th January 2026

February Half Term:

Last Day: Friday 13th February 2026

Return: Tuesday 24th February 2026

(Monday 23rd February is a training day)

April Half Term:

Last Day: Thursday 2nd April 2026

Return: Monday 20th April 2026

Monday 4th May (Bank Holiday)

May Half Term:

Last Day: Friday 22nd May 2026

Return: Monday 1st June 2026

Summer Break:

Friday 24th July 2026 (Earlier finish to be confirmed)



September 2025	October 2025	November 2025
Mon 1 8 15 22 29	Mon 6 13 20 27	Mon 3 10 17 24
Tue 2 9 16 23 30	Tue 7 14 21 28	Tue 4 11 18 25
Wed 3 10 17 24	Wed 1 8 15 22 29	Wed 5 12 19 26
Thurs 4 11 18 25	Thurs 2 9 16 23 30	Thurs 6 13 20 27
Fri 5 12 19 26	Fri 3 10 17 24 31	Fri 7 14 21 28
Sat 6 13 20 27	Sat 4 11 18 25	Sat 1 8 15 22 29
Sun 7 14 21 28	Sun 5 12 19 26	Sun 2 9 16 23 30

December 2025	January 2026	February 2026
Mon 1 8 15 22 29	Mon 5 12 19 26	Mon 2 9 16 23
Tue 2 9 16 23 30	Tue 6 13 20 27	Tue 3 10 17 24
Wed 3 10 17 24 31	Wed 7 14 21 28	Wed 4 11 18 25
Thurs 4 11 18 25	Thurs 1 8 15 22 29	Thurs 5 12 19 26
Fri 5 12 19 26	Fri 2 9 16 23 30	Fri 6 13 20 27
Sat 6 13 20 27	Sat 3 10 17 24 31	Sat 7 14 21 28
Sun 7 14 21 28	Sun 4 11 18 25	Sun 1 8 15 22

March 2026	April 2026	May 2026
Mon 2 9 16 23 30	Mon 6 13 20 27	Mon 4 11 18 25
Tue 3 10 17 24 31	Tue 7 14 21 28	Tue 5 12 19 26
Wed 4 11 18 25	Wed 1 8 15 22 29	Wed 6 13 20 27
Thurs 5 12 19 26	Thurs 2 9 16 23 30	Thurs 7 14 21 28
Fri 6 13 20 27	Fri 3 10 17 24	Fri 1 8 15 22 29
Sat 7 14 21 28	Sat 4 11 18 25	Sat 2 9 16 23 30
Sun 1 8 15 22 29	Sun 5 12 19 26	Sun 3 10 17 24 31

June 2026	July 2026	August 2026
Mon 1 8 15 22 29	Mon 6 13 20 27	Mon 3 10 17 24 31
Tue 2 9 16 23 30	Tue 7 14 21 28	Tue 4 11 18 25
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