

CHUF Second Half Autumn Term 2021



Term Dates:

Welcome back! This is a 6 week and 4 day half term. With term recommencing on Monday 1st November, and we break up for Christmas on **Thursday 16th December 11th at 3.10pm**. Copies of CHUF's term dates for the whole year can be viewed and downloaded from our website: <http://www.chuf.co.uk>.

The Winter Months

As the Winter months are fast approaching could parents, please bring either wellies or indoor shoes to CHUF to try to prevent the spread of mud and dirt around the settings. On a more general note, please can you ensure that all items, such as spare clothes, shoes, wellies, lunch boxes and water bottles etc, are all labelled with your child's name. Currently a lot of items are not labelled, and this causes confusion, and when items are misplaced, they are not returned to their owners as quickly as we would like. Please note that we would strongly advise that your child is not sent into CHUF in any precious/expensive clothing, as although we do everything possible to ensure that your child's clothing remains 'paint free' (The children are actively encouraged to wear an apron when doing any messy activity), it is not always possible to stop all spillages/stains from happening. The paint we source where possible is washable and child friendly, but all the bottles carry a warning that the paint may stain.

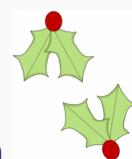
Reception Admission - September 2022

All Parents with children born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018 seeking a place for their child during the next academic year must make their application no later than **17 January 2022**. Updated information will be on the Buckinghamshire County Council website from the beginning of November as well as information about local schools. Parents can apply online at: <https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/apply-for-a-school-place/> from 2nd November 2021. A formal application must be made to the Admissions and Transport Team at Buckinghamshire County Council. If an application is received late it can seriously jeopardise their chances of being offered their preferred school particularly if it is popular school. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Admissions and Transport Team by email with your request: <http://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/contactadmissions>

Recording Absences

Please can we remind you that all absences should be reported on the day by calling your child's setting. It is important that we know the reason for any absence so that we can record it correctly in our registers. This has always been important especially for funded children as our registers are audited regularly and monies can be clawed back by Bucks County Council for sessions not attended if we have no reason recorded for an absence. The recording of absences is even more important at this present time for all children (Either funded or non-funded) as we need to note anyone who might have Covid-19 symptoms.

We ask that you call your child's setting rather than email as our main email address may not be monitored in time for the registers to be updated. Chearsley can be called on 01844 201858 and Haddenham on 01844 299123. If you are aware of any future absences such as holidays, or appointments etc, please do let us know these in advance so we can record this information, such absences can be noted by email, telephone or in person in the setting when dropping off or picking up your child. The CHUF main email address is : info@chufpreschool.co.uk.



Christmas Activities For The Last Week of Term

Please note that both settings close for the Christmas holidays at 3.10pm on Thursday 16th December 2021. At the moment we are still finalising plans for the last week of term's activities. But please be assured that a detailed letter will be issued in due course letting you know all the relevant details and dates etc.

Staff Changes

It is with a heavy heart that I have to announce our Administrator Sally left CHUF at the end of October after 14 years with us. Sally has been the main initial point of contact for our parents and has been the consummate professional dealing with admissions, waiting lists, parents' queries, fees and our funding claims to name but a few of her roles. The staff children and parents are going to miss her immensely. Personally, as a Manager, Sally has been my sanity, given me endless support and there are numerous occasions where I just could not have done the role without her.

Sally is moving on to work with another charity, they are so lucky to have her, and she will be an asset to them. We wish her all the very best for the future. Good luck Sally!
From Anne (Manager).

We are pleased to welcome Debbie Whale to CHUF as Administrator. Debbie has experience of both managing a Pre-School setting for over 10 years of working directly with the children. Debbie has a Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and also a Level 2 in Understanding Autism. Debbie is a Mum to two girls, and when not working spends most of her free time watching football in the rain!

Children In Need

Children In Need Day this year is on Friday 19th November. To mark this and to raise monies for this worthwhile cause the settings will be inviting children to participate in the following ways:

In **Chearsley** all children are invited to dress up in whatever costume takes their fancy on **any day W/c 15th November**.

In **Haddenham** children attending on the **Thursday (19th) and Friday 20th November** are invited to come to CHUF's in their Pyjamas.

There will be a donation pot on the patio in both settings (Suggested donation of £1.00 per day) should you feel able to contribute to this worthy cause and we look forward to letting you know how much we have raised.



Fundraising at CHUF

Thank you to all of you who have purchased your child's photograph taken earlier in the term by Rebecca. We hope you are delighted with the proofs and are able to tick off a few of the presents on the Christmas shopping list now. Orders have been placed and will be delivered in the next few weeks. We look forward to letting you know how much we have raised from the purchasing of these photos and what the settings have bought with these monies.

A big thank you as well to everyone who has ordered their child's Christmas card or any other item from the Xmas4schools range. If you have not ordered yet, a link to place an order should be sent directly to you via email in the next few days from Xmas4schools.

Again, we look forward to updating you on how much we have been able to raise for CHUF by the purchasing of your child's fantastic artwork.

Fundraising Purchases

We are delighted to let you know of some of our recent purchases that have been made in both settings, which have been made possible due to your fantastic fundraising and support.

In **Chearsley** they have purchased a new garage for indoor play, as well as ribbons and balls for outside play. Funds have also been used to re-vamp the patio and nature area. In **Haddenham** they are using some fundraising monies to put towards an educational farm visit, that will take place on Tuesday 9th November (More details are to follow).

We would like to say thank you so much for your continued support which enables us to enrich your child's experiences at CHUF, it is much appreciated.



Haddenham Christmas Tree Festival

Haddenham CHUF will be hopefully participating in the Christmas Tree Festival again this year. The festival will be held in St Mary's Church, **Haddenham over the weekend of 11th and 12th December**. We are currently just awaiting final confirmation that the event will go ahead. Assuming that the festival does go ahead this year please do pop in with friends and family to see all the beautiful trees that have been decorated by many of our local clubs, businesses and societies, including our very own CHUF tree which will be adorned with decorations made by the Haddenham CHUF children.

Christmas Card Lists

Please find below a list of all the children attending sessions at Chearsley and Haddenham should your child wish to send any of their friends a Christmas card (A postbox will be in each setting nearer Christmas) :

Chearsley: Alexia Kimonos, Amelia Connelly, Elizabeth Swann, Ellena Coats, Felicity Douglass, Freya Davis, Harry Rowe, Joni Roberts, Lilah Page, Lily Way, Luna Maxwell, Max Dyer, Noa Thompson, Ricco Dimono, Rory Fairburn-Beech, Rosie Goodenough, Sienna-Blu Hill, Thomas Holland, & Vince Lamburn.

Haddenham: Alban Bevan, Albie Rosoman, Arlo Sanders, Bertie Ludgate, Dominic Gasparavicius, Eddie Massey, Effie Modu, Erin Churchill, Erin Dixon, Esmie Howl, Evie Burden, Evie Wright, Fergus McRonald, Huey Dixon, Imogen Sharman, Jessica Lee, Joshua Pulford, Leo Wood, Leon Milenkiewicz, Miles Durkin, Myla-Mae Hattan, Oscar Stefano, Ralph Brady, Sophie Lomax, Tilda Stacey-Noy & Toby Fillis.

Feedback

If you wish to speak to your child's key worker for feedback at any stage, please contact them to make an appointment to discuss your child's progress. Feedback is most welcome via our email address for the attention of our Manager Anne Barker

(info@chufpreschool.co.uk). We would also welcome any feedback as the academic year progresses on your child's setting so that we can continue to develop our fantastic pre-school settings.

Payment of Fees

Payment of Fee monies are welcome in cash, cheque (Made payable to Chearsley & Haddenham Under 5's) or internet payment into our Lloyds account as follows:

Sort code: 30-98-56

Account Number: 00503068

Account Name: Chearsley & Haddenham Under 5's

Please can we remind you that payments should be annotated, in the space provided to quote what and whom the payment is in respect of, e.g. Joe Bloggs Fees 1st Half Autumn. Without these details it is exceptionally hard to match up payments with monies outstanding and leads to people being chased for payment unnecessarily. Payments should be made within two weeks of being billed.

The Staff at CHUF

Anne Barker- Manager, Child Protection Officer, Debbie Whale - Administrator, Karen Elder- Supervisor (Ch), Emma Deere- Supervisor, Child Protection Officer, Behaviour Co-ordinator & SENCO (Ch), Kasia Kowalska- Supervisor (H), Sarah Wassall - Supervisor (H),Debbie Turvery- (CH), Su Smith- (Ch), Lauren Godfrey - (Ch), Donna Eldred - (Ch), Lauren Rowe - (Ch), Fiona Distin- (H), Sara Heap- SENCO (H), Laura Stockwell (H), Kimmy Nicholl - (H), Della Teggart - (H).



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