LAVENHAM PRE-SCHOOL

YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM LAVENHAM PRE-SCHOOL

November 2026 Monthly Issue



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Welcome

Welcome to our monthly Lavenham Pre-school newsletter. Here you will find all of the latest information and updates from our Pre-school, as well as taking a peek at some of the fantastic learning and play that has been taking place behind our Pre-school doors. Now also available online through our social media platforms and soon to be available on our website, you can always be sure to keep up-to-date with the latest developments at Lavenham Pre-school.

Lavenham Pre-school Team



Elzbieta Zlotek
Manager
Qualified Teacher Status
Forest School Leader,
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Emma Appleby
Deputy Manager,
Level 3, SEnCo,
Forest School Leader,
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Hannah Double
Deputy Manager,
Level 3,
Deputy Designed Safeguarding Lead



Ashlee Weaver
Senior Practitioner,
Level 3



Alisha Abbott
Pre-school Practitioner,
Level 3



Alice Nicholson
Senior Practitioner
Qualified Teacher Status



Jaycee Wharfe
Admin Assistant
Pre-school Practitioner
Level 5



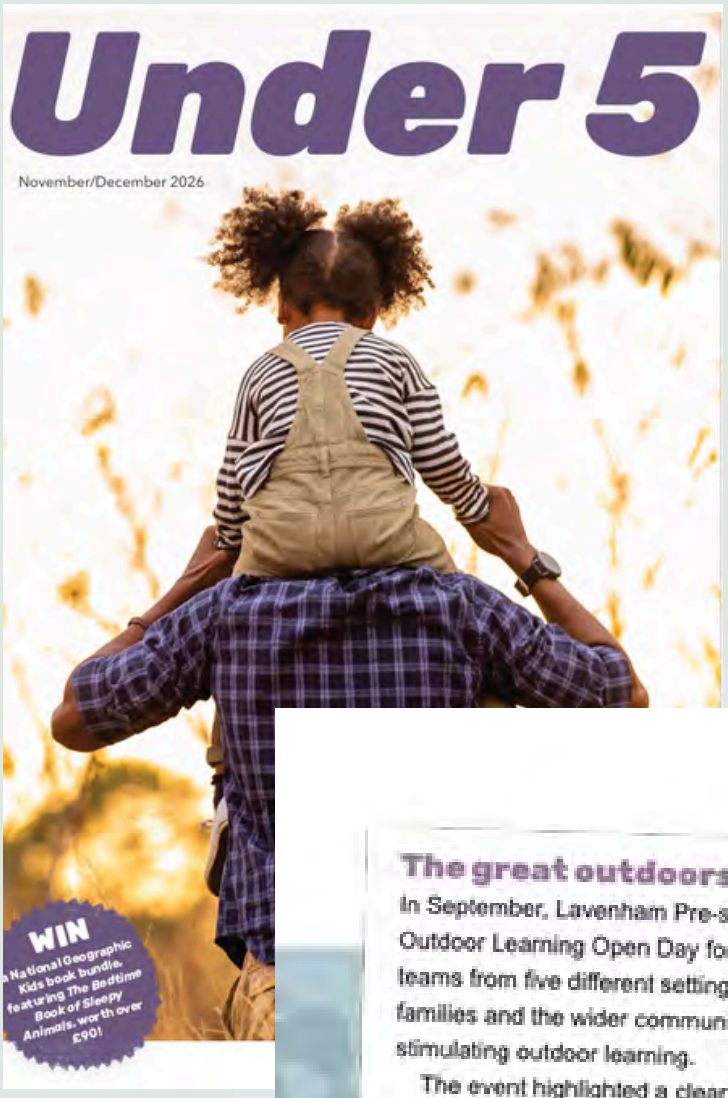
Claire Knights
Senior Administrator



Amanda Charnley
Bank Practitioner



Mary Ryan
Bank Practitioner



The great outdoors

In September, Lavenham Pre-school partnered with the Local Authority to host an Outdoor Learning Open Day for educators across the county. The event welcomed teams from five different settings to demonstrate how their collaborative efforts with families and the wider community transformed an unused, overgrown plot into a stimulating outdoor learning.

The event highlighted a clear vision for children's learning, strong teamwork, resourcefulness and effective community partnerships.

Manager Elzbieta Zlotek said: "Outdoor learning has helped children grow in confidence, assess and take appropriate risks, and strengthen their physical development. We have also observed children becoming calmer, more willing to communicate and increasingly able to express their ideas.

"The environment promotes cooperation and imaginative play, with children developing impressive teamwork skills through activities that require minimal adult intervention. We are extremely proud of the outdoor area we have created and of the positive difference it continues to make to children's wellbeing, independence and development."



Dates to remember

7th November- Lavenham Fireworks

13th November- Children in Need

W/C 23 November Parents' evenings

- 23rd Monday: Emma
- 24th Tuesday: Alice
- 25th Wednesday: Ashlee
- 26th Thursday: Hannah
- 27th Friday: Jaycee and Alisha

Appointments will last approximately 15 minutes and can take place either in person at the Pre-school or over the telephone.
Booking sheets will be displayed in the Pre-school foyer nearer the time. Parents and carers will be asked to select their preferred appointment slot.
If you are unsure who your child's key person is, please check Tapestry or speak to a member of staff. We are always happy to help.

December

Thursday 10th December Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch at the Pre-school (additional fee of £3 applies)

Friday 11th December- 2pm-4pm Santa's grotto

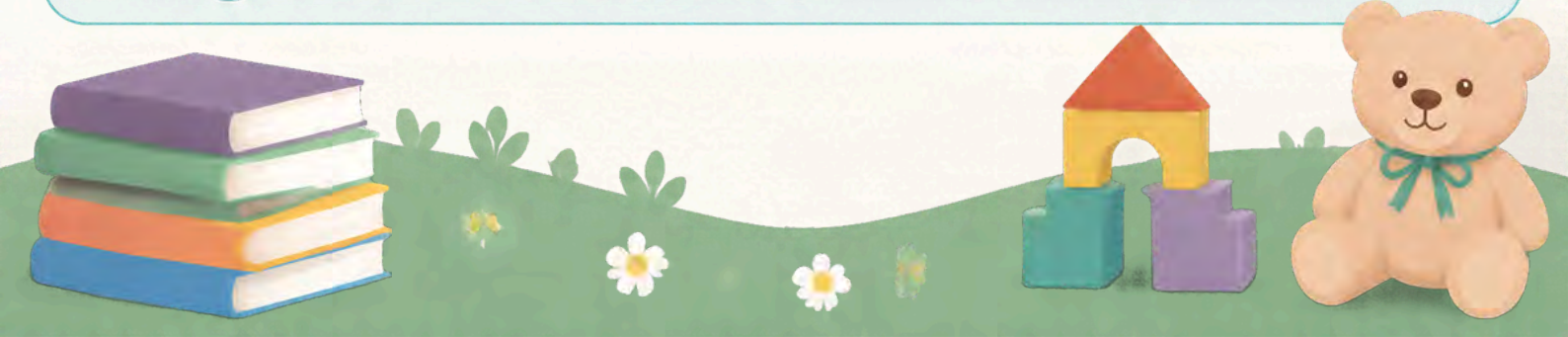
Friday 18th December- End of term



January

Monday 4th January 2027- PD day

Tuesday 5th January 2027- Spring term starts



Thank you

for your support

LAVENHAM FIREWORKS







We would like to thank everyone who supported the Lavenham Fireworks Charity Event this year!

A huge thank you to all our sponsors, local businesses, volunteers, Pre-school and school staff, parents, and everyone who supported us in the many different ways that helped make the event possible.

The evening was a great success, and we are delighted to share that the funds raised will be split equally between Lavenham Pre-School and Lavenham Community Primary School.

We are incredibly grateful for the support of our wonderful community. Events like this would not be possible without your generosity, time, and dedication.

Thank you once again for helping to make this year's event such a success!

The Lavenham Fireworks Team







October memories













November Topics

- Remembrance Sunday
- Guy Fawkes night
- Thanksgiving
- Corn
- Bonfire Night
- Campfire cooking
- 13th November- Children in Need



Regular Notices

Parent Trustees

If you would like to play a more regular and active role in the management of the Pre-School, or in its fund-raising activities, please do let Ela or Hanna know as we are always interested in welcoming new Parent Trustees.

Term Dates 2026 - 2027:

Autumn Term 2026

PD Day Tuesday 1st September 2026
PD Day Wednesday 2nd September 2026
Term Starts Thursday 3rd September 2026
PD Day Friday 23th October 2026
Half Term - Week Commencing 26th October 2026
Term Ends Friday 18th December 2026

Spring Term 2027

PD Day Monday 4th January 2027
Term Starts Tuesday 5th January 2027
Half Term - Week Commencing 15th February 2027
Term Ends Friday 26th March 2027

Summer Term 2027

PD Day Monday 12th April 2027
Term Starts Tuesday 13th April 2027
Half Term - Week Commencing 27th May 2027
Term Ends Wednesday 21st July 2027

Uniform

Uniform is optional but can be purchased online from https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/ or via telephone order on 0114 251 2501.
We also have good condition second-hand uniform available which we exchange for a small donation.

Facebook

We update our Facebook page on a weekly basis with the activities we have planned for the children. Please follow and like our page Lavenham Preschool & Forest School.

Items to bring into Pre-school

Please limit the items which are brought into Pre-school. Regrettably no unnecessary items, including toys, can be brought into the setting as they may get lost. Children will need a named water bottle and lunch box. Please ensure clothing is named and cleaned daily. Bottles must contain WATER ONLY. We follow a Healthy Eating policy; children will be required to eat sandwiches, fruit & yoghurt before eating any treats. Chocolate bars should be kept to a minimum.

We do not allow sweets at all. We have a NO NUT policy (this includes chocolate spreads) as we have children in the Pre-school with severe nut allergies.