

First Steps Pre-school

Planning

We are continuing to explore the importance of traditional tales in children's early learning. We are bringing stories to life through exciting activities.

The Three Little Pigs, The Gingerbread Man, The Three Billy Goats Gruff and The Ugly Duckling are stories we are looking at this half term, followed by our celebration of Easter.

It promises to be a busy, fun-filled half-term!

Living Eggs

We will be accepting delivery of some chicken eggs on Monday 24 March, complete with an incubator. We are hoping to successfully hatch out baby chicks during this week.

The children can watch the process of hatching, as the eggs start to crack, and the baby chicks push their way out of the shell – very exciting! We will be able to watch their progress closely every day and will talk about caring for living creatures, feeding, watering and keeping their environment clean. When the chicks are strong enough your child will have the opportunity to handle them too.

Open Days – Saturday 29 March, 9 – 12 am, and Saturday 26 April, 1 – 3 pm.

We are holding two open sessions for parents and their children to come along to have a look around our pre-school, meet the staff and register with us before starting First Steps in September 2025. We look forward to welcoming new 2, 3, and 4-year-olds to our lovely setting.



Term Dates 2025

Spring Term

Return – 24 Feb - 4 April

Summer Term

Start 22 April – 23 May

May Day – 5 May

Half Term – 26 May – 30 May

Return – 2 June

Term End – 11 July

September Places

We will be handing out forms for you to fill in stating your preferences for which sessions you would like your child to attend First Steps in September 2025. Our existing children take priority before slotting in any new starters. Please return these to pre-school by Friday 21st March. Thank you.

The field

Permission from Ofsted has now been given for us to use the field. We are very much looking forward to taking the children out into this fantastic area, which is now ready, allowing for lots of play opportunities.

Fees, lunches & sundries from September 2025

From September 2025, fees will be £21.00 per 3 hour session, and lunch times £3.50 per lunch.

Sundries are charged half termly to cover the cost of additional items that funding does not cover. These items include a varied range of fruit and other healthy foods for snack time. Additional resources for art and craft activities, ingredients for baking and resource materials for enhancing our areas of learning. We understand the importance of keeping any charges to you as low as possible, which is why we only charge a small amount. Below is a breakdown of this sundries charge per week.

Total funded hours attended each week	Sundries charge per week
15 hours or more	£6.00
12 hours	£5.00
11 hours or less	£4.00