

Dates for your diary

- 24th September:** The Big Meeting (our AGM)
7:30pm in the hall
- 25th September:** Preschool Photographs
- 28th Oct - 1st Nov:** CLOSED for Half Term
- 12th December:** Christmas Entertainment
- 17th December:** Christmas Party
- 20th December:** End of Term
- 6th January:** Start of Spring Term



Committee News

Hello and a warm welcome back after the summer holidays for our new and returning families. I hope you had a lovely summer. We are really looking forward to an exciting term ahead, with lots of fun things planned for the children.

As it's a new school year, we will be holding our AGM or "Big Meeting" on Tuesday 24th September at 7:30pm in the Walker Room at the hall. The Committee for the year ahead will be agreed at the AGM.

If you would like to be a part of our committee, please do let us know. No experience is necessary, all we ask is you're keen to help support our lovely preschool. If you would like any further information, please email me at chair@comeytroveunderfives.co.uk
Best wishes Sarah



Preschool Photos

Concept Photography are visiting preschool on Wednesday 25th September. All children are invited to have a photo taken, even if Wednesday is not their usual day at preschool. Siblings are welcome too if you would like to bring them along. The photos will be available in time for Christmas!



Christmas Party

The Christmas party will be taking place on **Tuesday 17th December 1 - 3pm**. If your child doesn't attend Preschool on a Tuesday, they are welcome to come to the party, however, we are sorry we are unable to accommodate any parents/carers or younger siblings. Preschool will provide food for the party lunch and enjoy a visit from Malcolm the Magician.



Christmas Entertainment

This year we are delighted to invite parents/carers and younger siblings to watch our Wriggley Nativity on **Thursday 12th December** at 10am. We do hope you can join us for this exciting event.

Christmas Raffle

The committee are busy gathering some fantastic prizes for the Christmas Raffle to be held on **Thursday 12th December** after the Nativity. Tickets will be coming home shortly. If you're able to contribute a prize, big or small, please email our fundraising lead at committee@comeytroveunderfives.co.uk

Staff News

We are delighted to announce the following staff updates: -

Nicki is returning to preschool after successful treatment for cancer, on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Leanne is returning to preschool, following the birth of her third child Megan, on a Monday and Wednesday.

Charlie has started working towards her Level 3 Early Years Educator qualification and will be in preschool on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and studying at college on a Thursday.

Fiona is continuing in her role as support staff this year, covering on an ad-hoc basis.

Hayley is continuing in her role as support staff on Monday mornings, assisting with Muddy Mondays.

We are sad to say goodbye to Becky, who has moved onto pastures new during the summer. We wish her every success in her new role.

Congratulations!

In other news... We are excited to announce Bryony got married during the summer and am sure you would like to join us in wishing the new Mr and Mrs Murphy every happiness for the future!



Reminders!



30 Hours codes

The deadline for families to obtain their working families funding codes for the Spring term is 31st December. Please note that codes issued after this date will not be valid until the summer term. To find out whether you are eligible, or to renew your code please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

September 2025 School Admissions

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/apply-to-start-school/>

The online portal opens on 30th September for September 2025 Applications. **The deadline is 15th January 2025**

Clothing for Muddy Mondays

If your child attends Muddy Mondays please ensure they come to preschool wearing long sleeved tops and trousers/leggings. **Please Label all items brought to Preschool**

<https://www.nameitlabels.co.uk/>

Nappies, Wipes and Nappy sacks

We would like to remind you that if your child wears nappies, please ensure you provide sufficient nappies, wipes, and nappy sacks and a change of clothes in your child's bag in case of any accidents. **If your child no longer wears nappies, please still provide wipes and nappy sacks and a change of clothes for any accidents.**

Lunch boxes

A reminder to please **halve all cherry tomatoes and grapes lengthways**. Doing this dramatically reduces the risk of choking.

Weekly Preschool Activities

Muddy Mondays: Exciting forest school session. Please pack weather appropriate clothes, including wellies and waterproofs, for your child as we often get muddy!



Tuneful Tuesdays: Music Bugs visit us on Tuesday mornings providing sensory, play-based music and singing sessions, with lots of colourful props!



Workout Wednesdays: James the Sports Coach visits us on a Wednesday afternoon to get us moving with fun activities to help us stay fit and healthy! (Bears children only)



Tasty Thursdays: On Thursdays, small groups of children will be making tasty, healthy snacks with a wide variety of ingredients from Fareshare on a rota basis.



Tuneful Thursdays: Music Bugs visit us for a Thursday afternoon session (see also Tuneful Tuesdays).

Fitness Fridays: James the Sports Coach visits us on a Friday morning to get us moving with fun activities to help us stay fit and healthy! (Bears children only)



Parent Carer Survey Feedback

Comeytrove Under Fives is a fantastic preschool with dedicated, approachable and friendly staff. The work and effort that is put into helping the children get ready for school is second to none, my child has already visited his school 3 times and we are only in May. Thank you.

We absolutely love the preschool, *** has settled very well and I couldn't have chosen a better preschool with better teachers. We are looking forward to the rest of ***'s time at pre school before she starts school in 2026.

Fantastic preschool so well led and children orientated. Keep up the good work!

I think the whiteboard outside is helpful, especially the information about the day, helps settle/excite the children to go in and reminds me about the PE kit! We love the preschool and will do all we can to promote it.

Thank you for the care and love shown to the kids

Love the staff and the preschool!

Thank you for your effort and support

We as parents are always grateful for the setting for nurturing our kid as an independent and confident child, who is very much prepared to start his next journey at primary school. The dedication of the management and the staff is very much appreciated.