

Bumbles Nursery



Old Swan

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Upcoming Events

- World Letter Writing Day - 1st Sep
- Emergency Services Day - 9th Sep
- Roald Dahl Day - 13th Sep
- International Day of Democracy- 15th Sep
- International Food Loss and Waste Awareness Day - 29th Sep

Staff Recognition 🏆

Staff Recognition - Celebrating Angela!



A big congratulations to Angela, our Employee of the Month!

Angela has been recognised for her hard work, dedication, and unwavering reliability. She consistently goes above and beyond to support her team and deliver high-quality work, day in and day out she has taken on the task of being Bizzy Bees Room leader in this short time she has gotten to know all the children in her care and improved the learning and routine.

Thank you, Angela , for everything you do—you set a fantastic example and are truly appreciated!



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Staff Information 🏆

Meet the Team - Angela!



Meet Angela - Founder, Director of Bumbles Nurseries & Manager at Old Swan Nursery

Angela is not only one of the Directors of our company—she's also its visionary founder. Her leadership and dedication have shaped the heart and soul of our nurseries, and we're incredibly fortunate to have her as the manager at Old Swan Nursery.

With a strong academic background and hands-on experience running a bustling A&E department in a major hospital, Angela brings both compassion and resilience to everything she does. Her journey from healthcare to early childhood education reflects her deep commitment to nurturing others—whether it's children, or her own team.

Angela is passionate about travel and deeply family-oriented. Her nurseries and her loved ones are the twin pillars of her life, and she takes immense pride in both. Her warmth, drive, and unwavering standards make her a true inspiration to everyone around her.

We are so lucky to have Angela here at Old Swan!

Staff Updates and New Roles 🏆

Gabriele Cook - Gabby has now taken on the Role as Nursery SENCO guided by our fabulous Area SENCO, Gemma. As well as this Gabby has been offered a promotion to Third in Charge of the Nursery. Gabby will undergo Training from Danielle, Nicky and Angela over the coming months and we can't wait to see her career with us blossom.

Louise Burdett-Fox - Louise continues to take on the role as Partnership with Parents and we are excited to work with her over the coming months to enhance the Partnership with parents experience at the Nursery.

Louise Latimer - We welcomed our new Nursery Cook in August who has jumped right in to creating beautiful meals for our children as well as keeping on top of our high standards of hygiene and cleaning throughout the nursery. Thank you Louise.

Teigan-Leigh Brown - In June we welcomed Teigan who completed one week of work experience with us for her final year at Sixth form. She enjoyed it so much and we were very impressed by her hands-on approach and positive and kind caring nature that she has now joined us full time and will be completing her apprenticeship with us.

Alesha Whitfield - In August we welcomed Alesha to the team, Alesha is Level 2 qualified and settled really well into Honey Bees, getting to know all the children, bringing lots of fun energy and excitement to the room to work alongside Louise and Elisha.

Faye Gallegher - We welcome Faye to our team in September. We are excited to see the skills and happy caring nature she will bring to the children in our care after working in childcare for many years as well as being level 2 qualified.

Mollie-Mae Reed - We welcomed Mollie-Mae at the end of August to our baby room to complete her lever 3 apprenticeship under the care and guidance of Annarita and Gabby. We can't wait to help her achieve her qualification and her becoming part of our Bumbles team.

Adele Pearson - We are happy to welcome back after her lovely half term break. Adele will continue to work in Bizzy Bees with Angela, Lisa and Keira.

Keira Jewel & Daniel Hector - We want to thank our wonderful Bank Staff members from our sister nurseries for all their help and support over the Half Term Holidays which has allowed our current staff members to take a well deserved break for annual leave and time off.



Baby Bees



Our Baby Bees have been on a lovely journey this month, filled with discovery, movement, and moments of calm. From roaring like lions to stretching like stars, it's been a beautiful blend of energy and exploration. We've been learning all about animals—big and small! The highlight was Lion Day, where the children explored the king of the jungle through stories, songs, and playful activities.

Baby Yoga & Relaxation

To balance all the excitement, we have been doing Baby Yoga and a special Relaxation Day. This calming session helped the children stretch, breathe, and unwind—building body awareness and emotional wellbeing in the gentlest way.

It's been heartwarming to see our Baby Bees grow in confidence and curiosity. Whether they're exploring new textures or bonding with friends.

Honey Bees

We've been celebrating **families**, homes, holidays, and cultures—exploring what makes each of us unique and special. Through play and discussion, the children have embraced the joy of diversity and shared their own experiences.



New Resources, New Adventures

The room has come alive with our exciting **new resources**, especially:

Water play - splashing, pouring, and experimenting with textures and tools

Home corner - a cozy space for imaginative role play

These additions have sparked creativity and collaboration, and the children have absolutely loved them!

We're thrilled to welcome a group of Baby Bees who have moved upstairs to join us. The older children have shown such kindness and care, helping their new friends settle in and feel at home.



Bizzy Bees



It's been a wonderfully *busy* time for our Bizzy Bees as we wrap up an exciting chapter at Bumbles Nursery! With school just around the corner, our little learners have been hard at work—and play—getting ready for their next big adventure.

Graduation in the Garden - We marked this special transition with a lovely Graduation Ceremony in the garden, complete with certificates, proud smiles, and plenty of photos to treasure. The highlight? A surprise visit from Minnie Mouse, who brought extra sparkle to the celebration!



Learning and Growing - Over the past few weeks, the children have been diving into:

- **Phonics fun** to build strong early reading skills
- **Number work** to boost confidence with counting and patterns
- Activities designed to help everyone feel **school-ready** and excited for what's next

Saying Goodbye - As we prepare to wave goodbye, we want to say how proud we are of each and every child. You've grown in confidence, curiosity, and kindness—and we know you'll carry those qualities with you into school and beyond.

We'll miss all our Bizzy Bees dearly, but we know they're ready to fly into their next adventure. Thank you to all our families for your support, laughter, and love throughout this journey.

Outdoor Learning

Garden Adventures Across the Nursery!

The whole nursery has been making the most of the summer weather with lots of garden time! The children have been busy searching for insects and exploring where they live, sparking lots of curiosity about nature and the tiny creatures all around us.

With the sunshine out, we've also been talking about the importance of sun safety—the children have been helping to apply their sun cream and learning how to stay safe and cool in the heat. Water play has been a big hit, offering a fun and refreshing way to keep cool while exploring splashing, pouring, and sensory play.

We've also had lots of fun in our new mud kitchen making lots of different recipes -we loved the Orange and Lemonade the most.



Eco-Schools

Congratulations to Lisa and the Eco Schools Committee! 🌿🏆

We're thrilled to celebrate the amazing work of our Eco School have done - looking after our garden flowers -helping them grow and we have been thinking about recycling and the impact that has on our planet!

We have all been thinking about a better future for everyone and how we can help this happen step=by-step.

A huge well done to Lisa and the whole committee—your efforts are helping create a greener future for everyone! 🌍❤️



Eco-Schools Coordinator- Lisa

🔔 Important Reminders for Parents/Carers 🔔



To help us maintain a safe, well-organised, and supportive environment for all children, we kindly ask that you take note of the following important reminders:



- 📵 **Mobile Phone Use**
Mobile phones must not be used inside the building, including making calls or scrolling in the hallway. This is part of our commitment to safeguarding all children.
- 📄 **Funding Code Reconfirmation**
Please ensure you reconfirm your child's funding code/information on the GOV.UK portal every 3 months. This is necessary to continue receiving funded childcare. Missing a reconfirmation could result in a temporary loss of your child's funded hours.
- 🍎 **No Food in Bags**
Do not bring food into the setting or leave food in your child's bag due to allergies within the nursery.
- 🎒 **Bag Checks**
Before coming to nursery, check your child's bag to ensure it does not contain any choking hazards, medications, or creams, unless previously discussed with staff.
- 🧴 **Sun Protection**
With the warmer weather approaching, please remember to bring in a sun hat for your child to ensure they are protected while playing outdoors. As water play activities increase with warmer weather, please pack extra clothes for your child each day.
- 🚪 **Front Door Security**
For safeguarding reasons, please do not let other parents in or hold the main door open when dropping off



or collecting your child. It is important that we know who is entering/leaving the building at all times.

Policies

- We regularly review our policies to ensure they reflect the latest guidance. You'll have received a copy upon registration, but please speak to the setting manager if you'd like the most up-to-date version.

Safeguarding Information

You and your child/children are very important to us. If we suspect any form of harm, we will take action to help by making a referral to protect you or your child.

If you do have any safeguarding concerns or would like any information, please feel free to speak to a member of management.

Thank you!

We hope you enjoyed reading our Newsletter.

Let us know if you have any queries or questions or indeed suggestions.

Thank you for trusting us to teach your little ones...

