



We would like to take this opportunity to say how proud we are of the children and how well they have settled in.

In Foundation for Learning we encourage children to serve their own drinks therefore children do not need to bring drinks bottles into Nursery,

A few reminders:

- Snack fund is £1 per week
- **All belongings should be clearly labelled with child's name. Please ensure your child knows what their belongings look like, this ensures they pick up the correct items**
- Book bags should be returned on a Wednesday ready for books to be swapped for Friday
- Please update yourself with important dates these will be displayed on the parent notice board in Reception

If you haven't already, please download our Nursery app where we will be adding important dates and newsletters. If you need any assistance, please speak to a member of staff.

If you have any photographs that you would like to send into Nursery of special people, places or events they can be sent to
amanda.cross@bentleycc.org.uk

Extended learning
We have some exciting news
Foundation for Learning are entering a poem competition!
The children will have to write a poem and they will be sent off if the poems are chosen they will be made into a book. More information will be sent out

What have we been learning-

The children have had a busy start to the year, they voted to learn about polar bears which then led our learning into the Antarctic and Arctic. The children worked together to create a giant cardboard igloo, they experimented to make sure all of the pieces stuck together. The children then investigated ice and how they can make it melt.

Important dates:
Friday 13th February 2026- Term time children break up
Monday 23rd February 2026- Term time children return

What next?

Our next focus topic is the Rainforest as the children have shown an interest in different types of animals.

**A little note from us...**

We are so proud of how the children have settled into their new routines. The children that are doing our Foundation for Learning are enjoying phonics and Maths lessons, please could we ask for a £1 per week donation this enables us to buy new resources for them to use.

A few reminders:

- All belongings should be clearly labelled with children's name including coats, hats and gloves
- If your child is learning to use the toilet please send them in with spare socks, shoes and wipes
- Please ensure children have enough nappies and wipes in their bags
- Children do not need to bring in their own drink bottle
- We will now only be offering water for children to drink
- Session end times are 1pm or 6 pm
- Breakfast finishes at 9am so we are ready for our days learning activities

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If you would like to send in photographs from home we would love to see them and talk about them with your child at circle time they can be sent to rebecca.creed@bentleycc.org.uk. These can be of special celebrations, days out or what you child likes doing at home.

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Butterflies**A little note from us:**

We are so proud of how our new children have begun to form some lovely friendships with Zoe who is already making a positive contribution to have her part of our team.

**Important dates:**

Friday 13th February 2026- Valentines Party

Friday 13th February 2026- Term time children break up

Monday 23rd February 2026- Term time children return

A few reminders:

- Can all children have enough nappies and wipes in their bags as we do not have spares
- Can we ask that all toys are left at home, as they can be easily lost at Nursery
- All belongings should be labelled with the child's name including hats, gloves and coats

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What have we been learning-

The children have been very busy in Butterflies they have enjoyed being creative and have explored different textures and mixed paints together to create their own colours. The children also enjoyed our learning topic of Winter and luckily, we had some snow for them to feel and investigate. The children used paints to colour the ice and worked together to make the ice melt.

Rainbows

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Friday 13th February 2026- Valentines Party

Friday 13th February 2026- Term time children break up

Monday 23rd February 2026- Term time children return

What next?

As we move into February we will be planning lots of activities that encourage relationships with each other.

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A little note from Rainbows...

We are so proud how our new babies are settling into Nursery life, they are beginning to form some lovely relationships with staff and the other children.

If you have a family photograph that you are happy for us to display, they can be sent to rebecca.creed@bentleycc.org.uk

A few parent reminders:

- When you drop your child off at Nursery we would appreciate it if you could let us know how they have been e.g. teething and if someone different is collecting please leave a password
- Medication consent forms must be filled out at the start of the session
- If a baby has had an accident at home please inform us when they arrive to fill out an existing injury form at the start of the session
- All babies should have adequate nappies and wipes
- Nursery Calpol is for emergencies only
- Please check daily diaries for messages from keyworker
- We will now only be offering water to drink instead of juice

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We love to share stories at Nursery we would love it if you could share your child's favourite story with us by sending some photographs of them looking at the book or maybe sharing a story with a family member or friend.

What have we been learning-
In Rainbows the babies have been very busy the have loved being creative and messy especially as they dipped the jungle animals in the paint and stomped them across the paper. We also have some musicians in Rainbows as they enjoyed creating their own music using the drums and maracas.

Spring term 1

Charlies

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What next?
As we move into February we will be planning to introduce lots of group games such as parachute and ball games to support their friendships with each other.

Shaping the present,



A little note from us...

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas break. All of the children have settled back in and we have welcomed some new children and families to our baby and toddler rooms, we are so proud of how they have all settled.

May we take this opportunity to thank you all for your lovely photographs that we have received they have taken pride of place on our 'home grown' board.

Following the success of our Christmas inspire day we are in the process of planning some more so please keep your eyes peeled for those dates.

We have been joined by Summyah who has moved from our Bentley West site to join our baby and toddler room, we are looking forward to having her as part of the team.

Parent reminders

- If your baby has had any medication at home please ensure you let a member of staff know when you drop them off
- Prescribed medication needs to have the child's name on
- Medication consent forms must be filled out at the start of the session
- If a baby has had an accident at home please inform us when they arrive to fill out an existing injury form
- Please check daily diaries as there maybe a message from child's keyworker

Our website is up and running and we have uploaded some lovely videos and photographs of the children for you to see.

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