

**PRESS RELEASE****15 June 2026****Fisher Jones Greenwood advises on strategic sale of Polka Dot Childcare**

Established in 2023 by Sian Douglas and Faye O'Rourke, Billericay-based Polka Dot Childcare is renowned for providing high-quality childcare for over 120 children. Boasting excellent facilities and a committed team of staff members, the nursery has built a reputation for providing children with a safe and nurturing environment in which to grow and develop.

Polka Dot Childcare has been acquired by Happy Days Nurseries, which has a proven track record of delivering high-quality early years education which now spans 44 settings across the UK. The acquisition of Polka Dot Childcare represents an opportunity for geographic growth in the Essex area for Happy Days Nurseries and follows its recent acquisition of the Boys and Girls Nursery group in April.

Kim Herbert, Chief Executive Officer of Happy Days Nurseries, commented: "We are thrilled to welcome Polka Dot Farm into Happy Days. Their high-quality care and education complement our own vision to nurture every child to become a learner for life, enabling their future success. We look forward to spending time in our new nursery, getting to know our new colleagues and families, and learning more about their communities."

The deal team at FJG was led by Ashton Carter (Partner and Head of Corporate & Commercial). Ashton was assisted by Natasha Bhandari (Senior Associate, Corporate) who negotiated the terms of a share purchase agreement and Charlie Neal (Solicitor, Corporate) who guided Sian and Faye through the disclosure process. Matthew Desborough (Senior Associate, Commercial Property) assisted Sian and Faye with the real estate aspects of the sale.

Sian Douglas and Faye O'Rourke, former owners of Polka Dot Childcare, commented: "We would like to extend a huge thanks to Ashton, Natasha and Charlie at Fisher Jones Greenwood for their excellent support and guidance throughout the sale process. Their professionalism, technical expertise and thoughtful guidance were greatly appreciated, and their collaborative approach made the process both efficient and seamless. It was a pleasure working with you all."

Ashton Carter commented: "We are proud to have supported our longstanding clients, Sian and Faye, on this strategic sale. Here at FJG, our lawyers have the knowledge and experience to truly understand our clients' industry sectors, which allows us to

consistently provide practical, tailored advice. It was an absolute pleasure to support Sian and Faye throughout the process and we wish them all the best for the future.”

GLX assisted Sian and Faye with the tax and financial aspects of the sale.

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