

Little Hands Linton Newsletter February 2015

Welcome back to the 2nd half of our Spring term. We are very pleased to say hello and welcome to a number of new children and their families as they join us at Little Hands this half term.

Staff

As the children numbers have grown so is our staff team, we are welcoming Amy Carter to the nursery who will be with us every day for some of the sessions. We are also looking to employ another member of staff, we will keep you informed once a decision has been made.

Topic

Our topic this half term is 'On the farm', looking at animals on the farm and what happens on a farm, this will lead us into discussing 'New Life' and 'Easter' towards the end of the half term. Our Staying safe theme this half term is road safety, we will practice crossing the road and using small world in aiding the children's learning.

Invoices

Invoices should be paid by **Friday March 6th 2015**. We would also like to remind parents who pay using child care vouchers to allow 2-3 days before the invoice date to action the payments.

If you are experiencing any difficulties with payment then please speak to Mandy in confidence.

Payment details:

Bank HSBC

Account Name Little Hands Nursery Schools Limited

Sort Code 40 16 59

Account Number 60037524

(Please include your child's name on the payment)



Term Dates

Spring term 2 starts: Monday 23rd February

Spring term 2 ends: Friday 27th March

Summer term 1 starts: Monday 13th April

Making Elmer's

Easter Holiday Club - working parents please could you let Mandy know what you require as soon as possible then forms will be available shortly after this.

Lunch Boxes

Please remember to clearly label lunch boxes on the outside and drink bottles with your child's name. It is very hard for cover members of staff to know which things belong to which child and our own members of staff change over during lunch times.

Early Years Funding

Children are eligible for funding for the Summer Term if they are 3 years old by 31st March 2015. Forms will be given to parents of eligible children before the end of term. Please fill them in as soon as possible and return to nursery. **Please be aware that funded hours cannot be changed mid term.**

Summer Term Sessions

If you are thinking of increasing any sessions for your child in the Summer term please let Mandy know as soon as possible in writing as we will need to increase staff hours to accommodate increases.

Parent Involvement

Parents/Carers are always welcome at Little Hands to join in part or all of a session. If you have a particular skill or interest that you would like to share with the children then please speak to Mandy or Caroline to organise a visit.

Illness

Please can we remind parents that your child should not be attending nursery if you have had to give them Calpol or other fever reducing medicine. They will not be well enough to cope with a session.

Notes from Parent/Carer in Bag

We do not normally look in children's bags. If you send information or replies in then please hand them to a member of staff or, if another adult is bringing your child in then ask them to give any notes, etc to staff.

Make Up Sessions

Due to the increase in children numbers both morning and afternoon the availability of make-up sessions may not be as easy as the previous term, we will try to accommodate where we can.

Children's Pictures and Models

Please can we ask that you check your child's peg to see if they have any creations to take home when you drop your child off, quite a few children will be sharing pegs so it may get a bit full.

Sainsbury Vouchers

Please save your vouchers for us again this year. There will be a collecting box in the Butterfly Room.

Guinea Pigs

Please remember that Squirrel and Peanut are available to come home with families for short 'holidays'. Please speak to Mandy or Caroline if you wish to take them home.

Mandy, Caroline, Linda, Joyce, Michelle, Natalie, Jill, Amy



Fun in the real snow

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