

## April/May 2018

Welcome back to another term at Little Hands and a warm welcome to the families who are just joining us! We have some staff new to share with you; Rob is going to be working at our Linton nursery as he lives much closer to Linton, but he was sad to say goodbye to everyone at Bourn. We are happy to welcome two (not so) new faces, Siobhan Welton and Shuk-Yee Lee-Wan, who are joining our team. You may already know them both as mummies of Little Hands children!

### September 2018 Booking Forms:

Thank you for returning your September 2018 booking forms. Please remember the cut-off date for changing September sessions is **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May**; changes after this are subject to 7 weeks term-time notice. I will be confirming your bookings this half term.

### Holiday Club

If you would like to book a space for the May/June half term holiday club, please speak to me as I will be arranging the sessions and staffing soon. I will soon start taking bookings for the Summer Holiday Club, so please look out for the booking forms.

### Group Photograph

Andrew Martin is returning to take the annual group photograph on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May**. This will be in panoramic format (18x16). The children are photographed in small groups which are combined; this is a great memento for children leaving for school in September, so they don't forget us! If your child doesn't attend on Tuesdays, you are still welcome to come in; just let me know so I can add them to the list. Andrew is happy to take individual photos or photos with siblings/friends, but this is by prior arrangement only, so please let me know. **Please note that due to new data protection laws (GDPR) we require your permission for your child to be included in this group photograph, so please sign the permission sheet available at nursery.**

### Lost Property

Please check the lost property corner when you are next at nursery in case any of your child's belongings are amongst the items. Any unclaimed items are donated to charity each term.

### Tapestry

We have been busy learning how to use the Tapestry online journal; we are hoping to gradually add your email addresses to the system so please read the guide when it is emailed to you for instructions on how to join once you have received your email notification.

**Please remember to update changes to your child's health or personal details including contact details. Here is a reminder of our contact details too:**

Telephone: 01954 710656 and email: [lh.bourn@gmail.com](mailto:lh.bourn@gmail.com)

# This Half Term's Theme

As part of our Learning in the Moment curriculum, our activities are child led but we do like to have a theme every half term, and this time it is 'Being Kind to Our Planet'. The staff and management team at all the Little Hands nurseries are currently working on an Environmental Policy so we thought it would be a good idea to involve the children by talking about the things that are important to our environment and our world - and of course this will be delivered at the children's level.

We welcome your ideas on anything linked to this topic or indeed any other topic or activity you would like to share with us. We always welcome parents and grandparents to come in to nursery to carry out activities with the children, so please let us know if we have inspired you to come in to share your skills and ideas with us. Similarly, if you would like to share your family's celebrations with us, please let us know. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have been in to carry out activities last half term - we had lots of fun! Look out for the photographs in the blue folder on the front table.

Please also remember that we open the door at 3.50pm every afternoon for you to join us for story time. Older and younger siblings and other family members are also welcome. If you or any family member would like to read the story, please let us know as it is always nice for the children to experience story telling/reading from different people and it may make your child very happy and proud to have a loved one read the story at nursery. If this time does not suit you and you would like to join us for story at another time, it can always be arranged so please let us know.

## Remaining Dates for Summer 2018

### Summer Term 2018

16th April - 25th May  
(7th May bank holiday - closed)

5 weeks 4 days

28th May - 1st June *half term holiday club*

4th June - 20th July

7 weeks

*summer holiday club 23rd July - 3rd August and 13th August –Thursday 30th August. Closed Week of 6th August-10th August, Bank Holiday Monday 27th August and Friday 31st August (Staff Training Day)*

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Your views are important to us. Please use the space below to give us your feedback or email us at [lh.bourn@gmail.com](mailto:lh.bourn@gmail.com)

