

SUMMER IS COMING ☀️☀️

We are now back into a new half term and we have been enjoying hearing all the Easter Egg hunts, Easter Bunny and LOTS of chocolate!!

As the weather is starting to get warmer please remember to put suncream and a sun hat in your child's bag!

Keyworkers

Most of you have managed to have a chat last term with your child's keyworker but please let me know if you haven't and we will make sure that you have the opportunity to talk.

As always we are really happy to catch up with any of you in person so please do let me know so that we can organise a meet up for you.

We have still been struggling with staff shortages which means that we have not had as much time to get onto Tapestry, however what we have been concentrating on is the children and making sure that everyday we are giving them so many lovely opportunities to thrive and learn!

We would love to invite you in for another pyjama and story night so we can show you what the children have been up to.

I will let you know when we have confirmed a date!

Nursery Day

Across both sides of the nursery we have been following the children's interests to see where their play takes their

learning, this has led to some really lovely learning opportunities and we are thrilled that learning in the moment is such a positive way for our children to learn. We are so excited to see now the weather is improving what our children will want to learn about.

The butterfly children have been sharing a book a week for over a year now and it has really worked well, they are so invested in each book and all the talking points that come from it each day. Jade will start again to put a sign up each week so you know which book we are currently sharing and this will give you an opportunity to talk to your child about it at home (most books are available via you tube)

We also have a lending library at the front of nursery so please feel free to borrow a book and share at home, we are concentrating this year in our Nursery on literacy as we know how important this in early years. Reading, stories, songs all help our little ones grow and develop and we want to spark their love of this early on! 📖

Illness

Our policy for the dreaded sickness and diarrhoea bug is 48 hours away from Nursery. Please don't bring your child into nursery until they have had 48 hours since their last bout. I really appreciate your support in this as I know how difficult this can be especially as normally after 24 hours they are bouncing around looking fine!!

For all other illnesses we follow the latest guidelines from NHS Direct which does change from time to time so if you

are worried about whether to bring your child in then please do check the website.

E-mail address

Our e-mail address is lh-melbourn@btconnect.com and lhmelbourn1@gmail.com if you would like to contact us in this way. Please note that the emails are not always checked if we are busy so if your query is urgent then please phone us instead.

PAYMENT OF FEES

Little Hands preferred payment methods are direct bank payments or Childcare vouchers. Payments should be made within 2 weeks of the invoice date or a late pay fee of £20 will be added. Alternative payment arrangements or timings may be possible please speak to the nursery manager in advance

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PAY YOUR FEES ON TIME!

It takes a lot of my time having to chase up fees if they are late, we will ALWAYS try to help out if you need it but you need to talk to me so that we can get a plan in place.

The fees always go out 2 weeks before the end of term if you haven't received an invoice then let me know and I can resend it. I really appreciate your help with this.

Direct Bank Payments

Fees can be paid directly into the nursery bank account either at a bank/post office or via Internet banking. The nursery bank details are:

Bank: HSBC

Sort Code: 401659

Account Number: 60037524

Collection of children

Please note that our pick up times are **12, 1.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00 and 5.30. Please only ring the doorbell once, we will hear it but we may need to just wait until it is safe for a staff member to be released to open the door.**

If you can stick to our pick up times (or as close as possible) it would be greatly appreciated.