

Little Hands Linton Newsletter February 2019

Welcome back to the 2nd half of our Spring term. We hope you have enjoyed the holiday period.

Theme

The children have shown interest in planets and the solar system. This is the theme we will start the term with. We will then think about New life/Spring – growth of plants and animals leading up to the Easter period.

Under Two's

We will continue to look at animals. The children are really enjoying the stories, songs and making noises of the animals.

We will be carrying out craft activities, counting, looking at sizes, reading stories.

Staying Safe

We will be discussing PANTS. It is in line with the NSPCC ideas on the 'underwear rule'. It teaches children that their body belongs to them, they have a right to say no and that they should tell an adult if they're upset or worried. We will cover this by reading stories and incorporating craft activities. If you have any questions/concerns you are welcome to talk to Mandy. Information is available for parents at www.nspcc.org.uk.

Activities to do at home:

Looking at the stars and any patterns

Counting objects

Looking for signs of Spring in the garden or on walks



World Book Day

World Book Day is being celebrated on March 7th this year. Children may come in dressed up in their favourite book character week commencing the 4th. Please also ask your child(ren) to bring in their favourite story, these will be read through out the day with a member of staff.

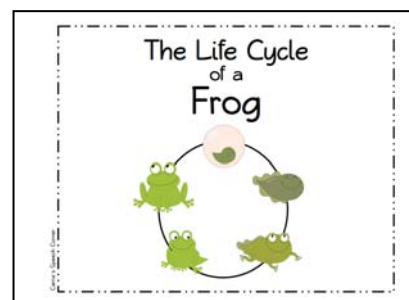
Term Dates

Spring term 2 starts: Monday 25th February

Term ends: Friday 5th April

Easter holidays: Monday 8th April – Thursday 18th April

Term begins again: Tuesday 23rd April



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.

Staffing

Due to growth in numbers we are employing Sophie Winters on a Tuesday and Wednesday until the end of the Summer holiday period. Sophie has previously worked at other Little Hands Nurseries.

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.

Clothing

Please can we ask that all clothing is labelled so that any clothing that goes astray can be given back/found promptly.

September bookings

Just a reminder that September 2019 booking forms need to be returned by Friday 29th March. If you require a booking form please ask.

Milk bottle tops

Mandy has someone who collects the plastic tops off milk bottle cartons for the charity Macmillan Nurses. Please feel free to bring the tops in and she will pass on.

Children's Admission Details

Please give Mandy any updates to your child's details, particularly health details and contact number details if they have changed since you completed your child's admission form.

Holiday Club form

I am attaching the holiday club form for Easter holidays. The form must be returned by **Monday the 4th March**. Please can you think very carefully if you will require us. During holiday clubs we work on a smaller staff team, therefore if you decide you require holiday club later in the half term I cannot guarantee there will be spaces as staffing will be finalised by the end of **Friday 8th March**.

Recycled materials

Our supplies of boxes, kitchen rolls, plastics and bottles have depleted. Please could you save and bring in anything the children could use for modelling.

Mandy, Caroline, Linda, Zack, Jill, Amy, Rob, Lee, Sophie

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Easter 2018 Holiday Club Booking form

Dear Parents/Carers, please could you indicate the hours you require (bookings made on the hour please) on the corresponding days e.g. 8am – 6pm, 9am – 3pm etc. A hot meal is served at 4.15pm. Thank you.

Week 1	
Mon 8 th April	
Tues 9 th April	
Wed 10 th April	
Thurs 11 th April	
Fri 12 th April	

Week 2	
Mon 15 th April	
Tues 16 th April	
Wed 17 th April	
Thurs 18 th April	
Fri 19 th April	CLOSED

Child(ren) Name (s):.....

Please could forms be returned by Monday 4th March so that staffing can be organised.

If you require a paper copy please ask. If returning by email please email to lh-bartlow@btconnect.com

Thank you.