

Welcome back after half term and we hope you have had an enjoyable week.

Topic

Our themes for this half term are:

Weeks 1, 2 & 3	Shapes and colour – Linking to art work by Wassily Kandinsky
Weeks 4 & 5	Taking children's lead in theme
Weeks 6 & 7	Christmas

Staying Safe

We are continuing to discuss who we can go to if we need help and feelings (Weeks 2, 4 & 6).

Term Dates

The term ends on **Fri 19th Dec.** Christmas Party **Fri 12th Dec 10.30am – 12.30pm.**

Spring Term dates are:

Term begins: **Mon 5th Jan** Half Term: 16th – 20th Feb Term ends: **Fri 27th March**

Christmas Holiday Club dates are Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd December. A booking form is attached.

Children Photographs

Our photographer will take individual photos of the children on **Thursday 13th November at 9.00am.** All are welcome to attend even if it is not your nursery day as well as other family members. Please can anyone coming in extra for a photo let Mandy or Caroline know.

Early Years Funding

Children are eligible for funding for the Spring Term if they are 3 years old by 31st December 2014. 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.**

Invoices

Invoices should be paid by FRIDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2014.

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

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.

Spring Term Sessions

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

Parent Involvement

Parents 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.

Christmas Party

The children's Christmas party is on **Friday 12th December 10.30am to 12.30pm**. There is a normal £11.80 charge for the 2 hour session. We will play games, provide party food and hopefully Father Christmas will visit us!! If you want your child to attend the party please fill in the slip attached to the newsletter **and return by Monday 17th November**.

Christmas Post

We will have a Christmas post box at nursery from the 1st December if your child wants to send cards to their friends. Please have cards in the box by Fri 12th Dec.

Winter Weather

Your child may like to bring a hat, scarf and gloves to wear during outside time when the weather becomes cold. **Please name** these items of clothing to help us identify which things belong to which child.

Guinea pigs

Peanut and Squirrel are now living happily together, so if you would like to take them home for a short period please let us know.



We like the new baby guinea pig, “He squeaks a lot”

Mandy, Caroline, Linda, Natalie, Michelle and Joyce

Christmas Party reply slip – Please Return by Monday 17th November

..... will / will not * attend the Christmas Party on Friday 12th December 10.30pm –12.30pm.

Please enclose the fee of £11.80 with the reply slip (cheques payable to Little Hands or pay directly into bank account).

(* Please delete as appropriate)

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“Little Hands” Christmas holiday club 2014

Child’s name :

Please tick the hours you require

Monday	8 – 8.30	8.30 - 9	9- 10	10- 12	Lunch 12-1	1-3	3-4	4 - 4.30	Tea 4.30 - 5	5 – 5.30	5.30 - 6
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Tuesday	8 – 8.30	8.30 - 9	9-10	10- 12	Lunch 12-1	1-3	3-4	4 - 4.30	Tea 4.30 - 5	5 – 5.30	5.30 - 6
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Please return your form by Friday 21st November

Thank you