# Little Hands Linton Newsletter June 2014 Summer Term 2



Welcome back after half term. We cannot believe how fast this year has gone and that Little Hands Nursery School Linton and Bartlow will be 10 years old this year. Don't forget in celebration of this we have an open afternoon on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2pm** – **5pm**. We will have activities and games for children to participate in and Calamity Clown will be here doing shows between 3.30pm and 5pm. This event is for past, present and perspective families. Whilst not necessary it would be helpful if you could let us know if you will be attending. Please note that this is a free event and children need to be accompanied by an adult.

#### Topic

Our topic this half term is Minibeasts (4 weeks) followed by Dinosaurs (3 weeks).

We will watch caterpillars change and continue to watch our tadpoles developing.

**Staying Safe** theme this term is 'relationships and friendships with others, taking turns/sharing and telling the truth'.

Suggestions of activities for you to do with your child to support the topic work:

- Read stories together about minibeasts/dinosaurs.
- Look together for minibeasts in your garden.
- Find minibeasts/dinosaurs in pictures in story books.
- Encourage your child to describe the minibeasts they see or dinosaurs from books.
- Talk about similarities and differences in minibeasts/dinosaurs, e.g. numbers of legs, wings, colours, etc.
- Encourage your child to treat minibeasts with respect.

## **Important Dates**

Group photographs change of date Tuesday 10th June 9.15amTerm endsFriday 18th JulyLeaver's PartyFriday 11th July 1.15pm - 3.30pm

#### Invoices

#### Invoices should be paid by FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> June 2014.

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

#### September 2014 Bookings

Any changes to your September booking should have been made by **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**. Any reductions now will be charged in full for the first half term. Confirmation of booking will be sent out shortly.

#### Transition Documents for School

Little Hands will pass transition records of pre-school children directly to their school after parents/carers have looked first and signed to give their permission to pass them on.

#### Our Nursery

Just a reminder that the 'Our Nursery' board is for children to bring in photographs from home to display, they could be family members, pets, outings/holiday pictures any thing the children would like to share.

### Leaver's Party

Little Hands has a party for the pre-school year group who are leaving us and going to school. The party is on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July from 1.15pm - 3.30pm. Please fill in the attached reply slip and return by **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**.

#### Vouchers

Thank you to everyone who has been collecting Sainsbury's vouchers for us. Sainsbury's finished on the 20<sup>th</sup> May so please hand in any remaining vouchers as soon as possible so that the order can be made. Thank you for your support.

#### Suncream

Please make sure that your child comes to nursery with a clearly named sun hat, preferably one that they can leave at nursery, and put it on their coat peg or in our hat tray to ensure that we have one here at all times. Also, can we ask you to apply suncream to your child's skin before they arrive at nursery. STAFF WILL ASSUME THAT THIS HAS BEEN DONE AND NOT CHECK WITH YOU. We will reapply cream in the afternoon for those children that stay all day.

#### Summer Holiday Club

Please return any booking forms by **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June** so that staffing can be finalised for the summer. Booking forms are available, please ask if you want one.

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Mandy, Caroline, Linda, Natalie, Michelle and Joyce

## Summer 2014 Leaver's Party

We are holding a party for our pre-school group of children who are going to school in September.

The party is on FRIDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JULY from 1.15pm to 3.30pm.

The cost of the party is £11.60.

We will play games and provide party food and also hope to have a surprise visitor. Please fill in the reply slip attached to this note and return to nursery, with the payment if your child is attending, by **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**.

Thank you Mandy, Caroline, Linda, Natalie, Michelle and Joyce

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Leaver's Party reply slip

...... will / will not\* attend the Leaver's Party on FRIDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JULY from 1.15pm to 3.30pm.

Please include the party cost of £11.60 if coming to the party. Cheques payable to Little Hands.

(\* Please delete as appropriate)