

Newsletter 2015



Welcome back I hope you all had a lovely Easter Break. We would like to welcome our new families to nursery life at Little Hands and we look forward to getting to know you and your children.

Staffing news

This term we say goodbye to Rhonda, Aneta, Melissa and Sue. We would like to wish them well in their new endeavours. We say hello to Sharon who will be working in the ladybird/Bumblebee and Melissa who will join the Caterpillar room. Both ladies come with experience and great enthusiasm.



Summer Weather

With the welcomed sun upon us now is the time to make sure your child/children have a named sun hat at nursery. We also do request that all children that attend in the morning have sun cream already applied, and for children with us all day we would ask that you supply labelled sun cream for your child/children for the staff to reapply if needed. For the staff to apply the sun cream we will need a parent/guardian to sign a consent form for us to do so. Please see Hannah Lysa or Sally who have the forms.

Session/make up sessions

This term will be an extremely busy and with the increase in sessions taken up we have very little space available. If you do require extra sessions please speak to me and I will try and accommodate or place you on a waiting list. Unfortunately we will not be able to offer make up sessions or swapping sessions this term.

September Booking forms

Please make sure you have submitted your forms for September as the waiting list children will be receiving theirs shortly. If you are unsure or want to change sessions please make sure you speak to Anne, to guarantee your choices.

Parents Evening

Parents evening this year will take place on the 10th June, a chance for you to come and chat with your key worker about the progress your child is making. It will be held in the evening starting at 6.30pm. A list will be on the main front door for you to select the time slot you require. If you are unable to make this evening and still wish to speak to your key worker please speak to me and I will try to arrange a time for you to have a chat. (This will have to be during the working day).



Photographer

During this term our photographer Andrew Martin will be in to take group photos and individual photos. He will be in on Monday 11th May and Thursday 14th May. There will be a list on the main front door, if you require your child to have their individual photo taken please put your name on the list. He will only take the photos of the children that require them. If your child does not attend on either of those days, but would still like them taken speak to me and I will arrange a suitable time for you to come in. You are under no obligation to purchase them but they have been a great success in the past.

Pre-school children only.

In readiness for school the pre-schoolers will no longer have plates to eat their lunches on; it will mirror the school practice. Please make sure that all containers are labelled and that your child can open them. We will be encouraging them to be independent and to make the correct choices of what to eat first!!! This is very interesting to watch and see how many go for the goodie first.

Pre-school - Toys

Please can we ask that in preparation for school that your child no longer brings in a toy. If they do we ask that the toy be left in their bag. If it is for group time and is of interest to the group we ask that you hand it to Hannah to share when they sit for circle time.

Pre-school leaver's party - Date for diary.

This year the pre-school leaver's party will be held on Monday 20th July in the morning, more details will follow.



Contact numbers

Please remember to update your child's contact numbers whenever they change. This is very important if your child becomes poorly and the staff are trying to contact you.

Sharing activity sheets.

In the foyer you will find activity sheets available for you to take away. They show all the themes for each of the rooms that the children will be visiting this half term. Some of the themes are the children's choice and we do remain flexible to change them as required. They will highlight songs that the children will be learning, and also give suggestions that you may wish to try at home to further their development and knowledge. Please do feel free to take one.

Looking forward to a busy term, don't forget you can always contact me by phone or email on

lh-melbourn@btconnect.com.

Best wishes Anne