



Little Hands Bourn Newsletter

September 2023

Welcome back everyone and a warm welcome to our new children and their families! We said goodbye to all the children starting school – some at the end of last term and some through holiday club, and we wish them all the best at their new schools. We are now looking forward to the new school year when we will see another year group grow and flourish!

Staff News

We welcomed Veronica Segovia to the team at the end of the summer term, and she has been with us through most of the summer holiday club too. We are also looking forward to welcoming Sophie Clifton and Chloe Tobin to our team from the beginning of September.

In addition, congratulations go to Marta who has been promoted to Senior Deputy Manager; Pam will still be the manager of our nursery but she has taken on more business responsibilities supporting our Business Manager. Marta will therefore be supporting with the management responsibilities at our nursery, with of course, Edel as Deputy Manager as before.

Children's belongings

Please can you remember to label ALL your children's belongings as it is really hard at home time to gather children's coats, cardigans, bags, hats etc. if they are unnamed and some of the children are unable to tell us what is theirs. In addition, there are lots of popular brands of bottles and lunch boxes such as Spiderman and Frozen which means some children have identical items. It is especially important that these items are labelled, in case of allergies, so we will make sure we write children's names on ALL items that are unnamed.

October Half term Holiday Club

Please remember the last day of term time is Friday 20th October; the half term Holiday

Club will be open for the week beginning Monday 23rd October. A booking form is attached to the email with this newsletter and paper copies are available on request. Please return your completed booking form by Friday 15th September.

Contact details

Please remember to keep us updated on your emergency contact details or any changes to your child's dietary or medical needs.

Activities

Our activities are 'in the moment' and based on the children's interests. If there is anything you would like us to cover that your child is interested in, a festival your family celebrates or something you are working towards such as road safety, healthy eating, being kind etc... please let us know so that we can support you.

Don't forget that you can ask for a chat with your child's key worker at any time so please speak to the staff member at the door who will do their best to arrange this for you.

Look out for the observations we upload onto Tapestry and onto our Instagram account (littlehandsnurseryschools), and remember that you can upload photos and videos onto Tapestry. If you'd like to follow us on Instagram, please find us and request to follow. Here are some examples of what we get up to!

Happy New School Year from all at Little
Hands!



The Little Hands Team

...so you can put a face to the names!

Senior Staff:



Pam
Manager
Leader

Marta
Senior Deputy Manager

Edel
Deputy Manager

Shanice
Holiday Club



Practitioners:



Designated Officers:	
Child Protection Prevent Online Safety	Pam, Marta and Edel
Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SENDCO)	Pam and Edel
Equalities	Pam and Shanice

Health & Safety	Pam		
Food & Hygiene	Pam		
First Aid	Pam Edel Marta Shanice	Jilly Veronica Chloe Fiona	Jodie

Term dates 2023 – 2024

funded weeks	Term weeks
Autumn Term 2023 14 weeks	14 weeks
Monday 4th September – Friday 20th October	7 weeks
23rd - 27th October holiday club	half term
Monday 30th October - Friday 15th December	7 weeks
<i>Christmas holiday club</i> <i>8 days</i>	<i>18th, 19th 20th 21st 22nd December 2022</i> <i>2nd 3rd 4th January</i>
Spring Term 2024 11 weeks	11 weeks
Friday 5th January – Friday 16th February	6 weeks 1 day
19th – 23rd February holiday club	half term
Monday 26th February – Thursday March 28th	4 weeks 4 days

Easter holiday club 2nd 3rd 4th 5th & 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th April 9 days

Easter bank holidays March 29th and April 1st

Summer Term 2024

13 weeks

13 weeks

Monday 15th April - Friday 24th May

5 weeks 4 days

(6th May bank holiday - closed)

27th - 31st May

half term

holiday club x 4 days

(27th May bank holiday - closed)

Monday 3rd June - July 22nd

7 weeks + 1 day

summer holiday club Tuesday July 23rd to Thursday August 29th 2024 maybe staff day Friday August 30th

5 weeks 2 days

Maybe - Back for Autumn Term 2024

Monday September 2nd 2024