

LITTLE STARS NEWSLETTER -101



Monday

15Th April 2024

through to Friday 24th May 2024

This term our art theme is "Healthy eating"

Thank you for everyone who has supported us this term. We have had a fun and enjoyable term. This year's children are a delight to teach and be around and are a credit to you the parents.

<u>Theme</u>	Week	<u>Skills</u>
Carrot	1	Sewing
Healthy plate	2	Sticking
St Georges day		Colouring
Butterfly	3	Painting
Supertato	4	Sticking
Vegetable and fruit stenciling	5	Painting.
Pizza plate	6	Selecting & Sticking

SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
Return to Nursery Monday 15th April 2024	Return to nursery.
Tuesday 23rd April	St Georges day
Thursday 2nd May	Nursery closed Polling day
Monday 6th May	Nursery closed Bank holiday
Tuesday 14th May	Little Urchins photographer.
Friday 24th May	Last day of term
Monday 3rd June	Return to nursery.
Sunday 16th June	Fathers Day
Tuesday 25th June	Open Day
Thursday 18th July	End of term party.
Friday 19th July	Last Day of term

<u>Bike days (Weather permitting).</u> These days are a chance for children to bring in their own bike, scooter or pram. This is a good activity for the children to share their own toys and show off their bikes.

Bike days. These days are:-



Monday – 22nd April

Tuesday 30th April

Wednesday - 8th May

Thursday 16th May.

Friday 24th May

Sponsorship.

Thanks to you all for your great efforts in helping us raise £980.50 with some pledges still to come in. This will help us so much in updating and enhancing our toys etc. This will also help cover the cost of the end of term party.

We have already started the process of buying new toys which I hope your children have told you and that they enjoy playing with.

Little Urchins Photographer

Little Urchins will be at nursery on Tuesday 14th May. The theme this year will be old-fashioned clothes. The staff will dress all children in the clothes provided.

For the ninth time we will be taking graduation pictures (it always so popular) for those children leaving us to go to school. We stress that there is no obligation to buy any pictures.

If these dates are not your child's sessions, you are more than welcome to come in and bring siblings should you wish to.

School places.

As soon as you are aware of your child's school (date for release is the 15th of April) and or nursery place – please can you let us know so that we can start work on their record of transfer paperwork?

All school leavers will have a chance to talk to the keyperson or myself at our open day. However, if you would like to come in and discuss your child's record of transfer, please let us know. Record of transfers will be sent out to you once we have completed your Childs progress. We will need these returned signed please.

We will try to work within groups so that the children work with those who will be going to the same one.

School readiness.

We are still working on school readiness, to be prepare them for September's transmission.

A school readiness form is attached to the email.

If you would like us to help your child with something specific please let us know.

Sun Cream

Whilst we do provide sun cream, it would be very helpful if you could apply sun cream to your child beforehand and make sure that they have a hat with their name on it to wear for added protection.

Should the weather be very hot, you may have your child bring in their own named water bottle (filled with water only) or we will provide cold water in beakers.

Toileting rucksacks.

Please can your child only bring in a rucksack (MUST BE NAMED) if they need changing or are in nappies / pull-ups – please ensure you put spare ones in their bags. Please could your child come into nursery in a clean nappy as although we are more than happy to change them once they are settled.

If your child is currently out of nappies, to help them go more independently can you please put them in clothing that they can easily undo themselves.

Please note we will always have spare clothes in the event of an accident.

Can you also please ensure both lunch boxes and drink bottles also be named.

GA Football & Fitness

Flyers will be sent out in the first week back and it will commence the 2nd week back. These are very popular so please be quick to let me know if you want a space.

The cost this term is £16.00, as we can only run it for 4 weeks due to national holidays.

Any child is welcome to join and if your child is interested, please drop the money into us in an envelope

September sessions.

I know this is early but due to demand for places and combined with the new government entitlement's, could you please let me know if your child is staying with us in September, if you haven't already told us (to include preferred sessions as well as hours?) Please note these hours can be split between other nurseries, child minders etc.

The government portal opens for working parents' entitlement codes on 16th May. Can parents let me have these codes as soon as you receive them?

We expect demand for packed lunches and all day sessions to be higher this term it has proved highly popular. Can you let me know when applying if you are interested in the packed lunch offer?

If you know of anyone, sibling or friend who may well be considering joining us from September 24 to July 25, they will need to submit a registration form to us asap.

<u>Child safety – car park</u>

Please always be alert when you are in or around the nursery. Also be very wary of cars and others when in the car park as queuing will be in place there. Please do not double park and keep the disabled bay free.

Lost property.

We always display lost property items and any property that has not been claimed at the end of the term will either be given to charity or destroyed.

To reduce these please ensure your children's clothing have labels with their name clearly shown on them.

Collecting.

We would appreciate donations of any old toys or jigsaw together with old wellington boots for our garden area. Cuddly toys will be much appreciated for a charity organisation.

Any garden equipment and or plants would be very much appreciated. If you have any old CD's these would be welcome as we intend hanging them up as a sensory piece.

Boys and girl's spare clothes

We would also welcome any old saucepans, pots and pans etc for use in our outside area.

Should we receive duplicated items we will be passing these onto charity.

Dentist.

I take this opportunity to thank all those parent's who turned up on the dentist morning as it was very informative and hopefully helpful to you.

Open Day - Tuesday 25th June.

This provides parents the opportunity to talk to their child's key person and to see how they are progressing. The children will be singing for you as well as an outside activity. Everyone is welcome. Children are starting to learn some Makaton (sign language) songs and will be showing this to you on the day.

More details to follow nearer the time.

End of term party Thursday 18th July.

We are hoping, weather permitting for a water themed party, more details to follow nearer the time.