

End of Summer Term Newsletter 2019

Bear Hugs Garden

In the nursery garden the children have been enjoying planting flowers, such as geraniums, sunflowers and echinops. Also, they have been planting vegetables, such as carrots, radishes and beetroot. The children have been looking after them through watering the plants and seeds regularly.

Warmer Weather

As the weather gets sunnier the children will need to bring in sun hats and have sun lotion applied at home before they attend the session. The nursery will reapply suntan lotion in the afternoon to children who have attend both the morning and afternoon session that day. Please continue to bring in two pairs of shoes for your child, as they still need to change into their outdoor pair when they use the garden.

Naming Items

Please could you name all items your child brings in to nursery, especially your child's clothing, sun hats, lunch bags and drink container.

Choking hazards

Children can easily and quickly choke on food. To prevent this happening we ask if you put grapes and/or baby tomatoes in your child's lunch box, that can lodge in a child's throat, you cut them into four pieces lengthways.

Leavers' Party and Leavers' Concert

On Friday 19th July, 9.30am to 12.15pm, all the children (including children who do not usually attend on a Friday) who are leaving the nursery to going to school in September 2019 are invited to a leavers' party. Followed by a leavers' concert where the children will perform songs, they are going to learn during the second-half of the summer term, to their family and friends.

This final session will include paddling pools and an ice cream parlour. Therefore, for the children attending, please bring in a separate plastic bag with a swimming costume, outdoor shoes and a towel.

At 10.30am parents, relatives and friends are invited to coffee in the Methodist Church, before watching your child perform in their Leavers' Concert at 11.30am in the Methodist Church. After the performance the children will be taken back into the church hall for you to collect them at 12.15pm, straight after the concert.

End of Term Dates

Last lunch club and afternoon session
Thursday 18th July

Last day of term

Thursday 18th July for non leavers

Friday 19th July for children leaving to go to school in September 2019

Friday 19th July is a morning only session starting at 9.30am and finishing at 12.15pm

Term Dates for September 2019 - July 2020

Autumn Term

Thursday 5th September - Wednesday 18th December 2019

Half Term 28th - 1st November 2019

Spring Term

Tuesday 7th January - Friday 3rd April 2020

Half Term 17th - 21st February 2020

Summer Term

Tuesday 21st April - Friday 17th July 2020

Half Term 25th May - 29th May 2020

Early Years Free Entitlement (EYFE)

All children whose third birthday falls between 01.04.19 - 31.08.19 will be eligible for the EYFE in September. We will give you a form to complete if this applies to you. The funding entitles you to 15 hours per week of free nursery care, which is equivalent to 5 x 3 hour sessions per week.

Childcare Choices

Your child, from the term after they turn 3 years, could be eligible for 30 hours free childcare. Bear Hugs Nursery is offering up to 24 hours free childcare to those children of working parents that meet the scheme's criteria. To check your eligibility visit the HM Government Childcare Choices website:

https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/?utm_source=Foundation+Years&utm_campaign=1a0693eb0e-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_03_22&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_e05004a334-1a0693eb0e-296121581

If your child already receives the 30 hours free funding or you are eligible to start using the additional hours in September 2019, you will need to register by 31st August to start/continue to use the hours in September 2019.

Extra Hours for September 2019

If you would like your child to increase their hours in September, please speak to Fiona or your child's key person.

Facebook

Find us on facebook @bearhugsnurseryaddlestone and like us if you enjoy the photographs and comments we make regarding the activities that your children participate in at Bear Hugs Nursery.

And Finally

If you have any questions, concerns or queries about anything at Bear Hugs Nursery, please do not hesitate to speak to Fiona Fox or your child's key person. We are always happy to share information with you and help in anyway we can. Alternatively, you may contact the nursery: telephone: 07849 657290, e-mail: bearhugsnursery@btinternet.com or find additional information on our website: bearhugsnursery.com or Facebook: @bearhugsnurseryaddlestone