

# Little Hands Linton & Bartlow

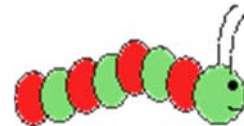
June 2019

## Summer Term (2)

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Welcome back after half term. We hope you have all had fun.

### Staffing

Keeping you informed for when Zack leaves us in 2 weeks' time, we will be having Stefan Pantazi temporarily work with us for the remainder of the summer term. Stefan has worked in all Little Hands settings, and at present his base nursery is Newton

Our topic this half term is **Minibeasts**. Activities to support this are: continue with our walks, going on minibeast hunts, craft activities, stories and poems, watching the growth of caterpillars.

### Staying Safe

The theme this term is 'Crossing the road safely'.

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

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



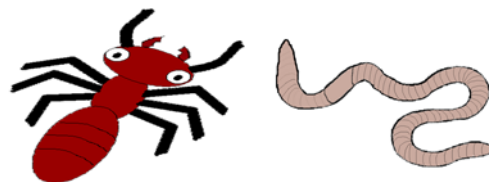
### Important Dates

**Group photos** Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 9am. If you would also like individual photographs, please let Mandy and Caroline know. If this is not your child's day for attendance, please bring them in for the group photographs if you can. Please note that due to data protection laws, we require your permission for your child to be included in the group photograph, so please sign the permission sheet available at nursery.

<b>Term ends:</b>	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July
<b>Leaver's Party:</b>	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 4pm – 6pm
<b>Start of Autumn term 2019:</b>	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September

### September 2019 Bookings

Any changes to your September booking should have been made by Friday May 24<sup>th</sup> 2019. Any reductions or cancellations made now will be charged in full for the first half term (7 weeks).



### **30 hours Funding**

Please can we remind you that if you wish to claim 16 hours or more for September you will be required to gain a code that is to be given to Mandy for claiming the hours. Mandy requires this as soon as possible. To access please follow this link <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

### **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 19th July from 4pm – 6pm. Please fill in the attached reply slip and return by **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June**.

### **Notes From Parent/Carer in Bag**

We do not normally look in children's bags. If you send information or replies in then please hand them to a member of staff or, if another adult is bringing your child in then ask them to give any notes, etc to staff.

### **Sun cream**

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 box 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. Please bring a named bottle of suncream and we will reapply cream in the afternoon for those children that stay all day.**

### **Tapestry**

Just to remind you that you can upload photos to your child's Tapestry profile to share with us. Just select 'add observation', or the 'plus' icon in the app, add the relevant information in the boxes on the screen then add photos and videos by selecting 'add media'.

### **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.

### **Illness**

Please can we remind parents that your child should not be attending nursery if you have had to give them Calpol or other fever reducing medicine. They will not be well enough to cope with a session.

### **Health and Safety**

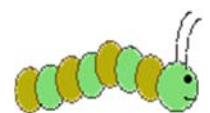
Please be aware that open toed sandals and slip on shoes with no backs are not very safe for the children at nursery when in the garden. Some pieces of bark can have some sharp edges that might cut unprotected feet.

### **Children away from nursery**

Please could we remind you that if your child is absent from nursery for any reason that you please inform us that same day by 10am. If you do not contact us we will call to find out the reason for absence. This a requirement we have to undertake.

### **Sharing packs**

In nursery we have a variety of packs available for parents and carers to borrow when needed these include arrival of a new baby, moving to a new house, going to sleep, toilet training, going to school and bereavement. If you wish to borrow these please ask Mandy or Caroline.



*Mandy, Caroline, Jill, Amy, Linda, Zack, Rob, Lee, Sophie*

**Summer 2019 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 19th JULY from 4pm to 6pm.**

The cost of the party is **£12.80**

We will play games and provide party food. Parents do not need to stay. Please fill in the reply slip attached to this note and return to nursery, with the payment if your child is attending, by **Friday 14th June.**

Thank you

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**Leaver's Party reply slip**

..... will / will not\* attend the Leaver's Party on

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Please include the party cost of £12.80 if coming to the party. Cheques payable to Little Hands.

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