



## Little Learners Newsletter

### 6th January 2017



Our first week of 2017 is coming to a close and what a lovely week it has been! We have enjoyed getting to know our newest Little Learners and asking our existing children to consider ways they can help their new friends feel at home. We have also been encouraging the children to become more responsible when putting on their own coats, using the toilet and blowing their noses. The Nursery Crew are, of course, always available to lend a hand where required but we value the importance of supporting the children in their attempts to become more independent in their self-care skills.

This is just a reminder that apart from Bank Holidays, Christmas was our only closure during the year. If your child is going to be absent from Nursery please ensure you let the school office know as soon as possible.

#### **Green Exit Button**

As part of our safeguarding commitment please can we ask that when you are leaving Little Learners that you make sure that the green exit button is only used by you and not allow your child to use this. In order to safeguard all children attending Little Learners, the Nursery Crew need to authorise all adults into the Nursery.

#### **5,4,3,2,1 lift off!**

You may have heard your Little Learner coming home talking about flying off to outer space? That is because our learning theme for January is indeed, Space. Our role play area in the Learning Street has transformed into a space station; please do pop in and have a look if you would like to. We have begun to learn our new music and movement track 'Zooming to the moon' which involves putting on 'space boots and driving a space buggy'.



We have also started to make our very own solar system and over the coming weeks the children will be designing their very own planet! Our chosen book for this theme is 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy. It's a firm favourite of ours

and we look forward to learning about more adventures with Baby Bear and his colander space helmet.

Thank you for the photos we have received already. Please do keep your special Christmas moment photos coming in; it's really lovely for our Little Learners to share their holiday celebrations with us and their friends. You can either send in a printed photo or email us one and we can print it for you.

#### **Newspaper**

Do you have any unwanted newspapers at home? Are they heading towards your recycling box? We use newspaper to protect our tables at Nursery, we welcome donations of newspapers you no longer need.

#### **Nursery uniform and clothing**



Little Learners Nursery t-shirts are available at just £5.99 each and hoodies at £9.99 each. We encourage the children to wear these alongside their own casual trousers/skirts. Don't forget to pop into NK Sports and let your child choose their colour! Please ensure your child has adequate spare clothes in their bag in case of

accidents through messy play or toileting, we have a very limited supply of Nursery clothes.

#### **Twitter**

Have you got a Twitter account? If you have, please follow us @LLNurseryWSM. It is new to us so please bear with us as we learn how to tweet. We endeavour to post regularly to help keep you up to date with Nursery news.

#### **Dance classes**

At 9.00am on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January we will be introducing a short course of dance sessions, led by Lois Miller who is a qualified dance coach. Due to her class capacity, our Little Learners will be split into two groups; each taking part in three weeks of lessons. They will finish the three weeks of lessons with a certificate of achievement.

Please see the list in Nursery for when your Little Learner will be participating; there is no specific dress code, but, if you would like, your Little Learner may wear gym/dance attire. The classes will run 9.00am-9.30am so please do ensure your Little Learner is in Nursery on time.

#### **Departure/Arrival Times**

It is important that all parents/carers ensure their scheduled session times are adhered to. Please can we ask that you note the following:-

**Morning Session** – Arrivals between 8.00 and 8.45am. Children who arrive after 8.45am must enter via the school office. This session ends between 12.50pm and 1.00pm.

**Afternoon Session** – Arrivals between 1.00pm – 1.10pm

**Short Day Session** – Arrivals as morning session, collection between 3.50pm – 4.00pm.

**Full Day Session** – Arrivals as morning session and collection between 5.00pm and 6.00pm.

Please note any other collection times can be accommodated by arrangement with the Nursery Crew.