

Parent newsletter



Summer Holidays 2019

We are well into the Summer Holidays now and so far, the weather has been kind to us!

All rooms have been having fun mostly in the outdoors exploring all things Summer! This has included Water and Sand Play, ice-cream shop role play, trips to the farm and fruit picking!

Here are just a few things going on over this summer, and a few plans we have for the Autumn term starting in September:

Date	Event	Room	Details
Thursday 29 th August	Party in the Garden!	All	All children in Nursery this day will join together in the afternoon for a garden party- just for fun!
Monday 26 th Aug	BANK HOLIDAY	All	Nursery CLOSED.
Monday 9 th Sept	Term Starts	All	Funding starts this week. All 'term time only' and 'funded only' children to return this week.
Friday 27 th Sept	Breakfast at Blossoms for Macmillan Cancer research.	All	Macmillan coffee morning with a twist! Come along and enjoy breakfast with your little ones before work. Letter with details to follow.

Nursery News:

From September, we will be launching 2 new initiatives here at Little Blossoms Nursery.

The first one is a Communication App called '**Parent Mail**' which allows all parents to download an App to their smart phone, where you will receive notifications, newsletters, view the nursery website and tapestry page. We will let you know when this is ready to download.

Secondly, we will be introducing the '**Care Diary**' page on Tapestry which will record all your child's daily routines such as meals, sleeps, bottles and nappy changes. This will replace the current paperwork we complete. We are currently trialling this in the baby room and will let you know when we officially launch this.

Some Reminders:

- All children need to have a named sun-cream and a sunhat for each session they attend.
- All children entitled to funding in September need to return the completed funding form by Wednesday 7th August at the very latest- otherwise we are unable to claim.
- Please return and School Leavers Parent Surveys asap, many thanks.

Rooms News:

Seedlings (baby room)- We are pleased to welcome a few new babies this term- all are settling so well, and we have loved introducing them to the new experiences. The babies are enjoying our NEW garden area with their own little digging patch and flower garden. We have been exploring water play with a new water mat. We have started trialling the Care Diary on Tapestry and we hope you like what you see so far.

Upper Seedlings (Little Todds)- We have been exploring all things 'Summer', this has involved water and sand play- with our NEW giant sandpit in the garden. The new term will see Little Todds having a bit of a make-over, we will be reducing our plastic toys and having some new wooden toys. We will be exploring the 'curiosity approach', using authentic materials for the children to explore.

Saplings (Big Todds)- Summer so far has all been about keeping cool, playing in the water, and in our NEW outdoor sandpit!

The Autumn term will see an introduction to a new Rolling Rota in Saplings room. Over the term, children will experience 'Cooking' with Georgia, 'Music and Movement' with Kate, and 'Multi-skills' with Ross. Although these are activities we have always planned anyway, the rolling rota will ensure every child will take part in the experiences. Look out for the rolling rota on our new Communications app coming soon.

Pippins Pears- The children have loved water play so far this summer- please provide swimsuits and towels, sun-cream and hats to ensure your child can join in! The new topic for the Autumn term will be 'On the Farm' as the children have been really enjoying spending time at Clive's. They will experience feeding the animals, collecting eggs and watching the juicing of apples and pears. Look out for the new rolling rota for forest and multi-skills dates.

Pippins Apples- This summer has been great so far- the children have shown an interest in The Gruffalo and we've taken this down to Forest School by having Breakfast with the Gruffalo. We will be doing some drama next week based on the story.

The children are also showing a great interest in basketball, football and other gross motor skills. We will support this interest with a new goal post and basketball hoop, and will be using this as base to discuss keeping healthy.

Orchard Explorers- The children have loved the activities so far, especially being in the outdoors. Its been great to see a few new faces this summer, the children are great at making new friends and enhancing their social development!

We can't wait to welcome the new children to the After-School club in September. It would be great if you could provide some wellies to keep here for after school sessions so that the children can go outside without getting school shoes dirty.

Many thanks for your continued support- Little Blossoms Team x