



Bright Stars News

Tuesday 1st May 2018

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a lovely April and enjoyed the few days of sunshine we had. The children and staff enjoyed spending more time in the garden enjoying the sun. To give you some idea of what the children have been up to, The children have been learning about gardening and planting and they have enjoyed planting various seeds and have been watching them begin to grow. The children also loved learning about different minibeasts and about pond life. The children got to see real snails which they enjoyed speaking about with their friends and family, they also enjoyed using nets to go fishing in the pond we made, finding leaves and snails. The children have enjoyed reading stories such as "Jack and the Beanstalk" and they have also enjoyed making up and telling their own stories with their peers.

Invoices and Payment

Your monthly invoice will be enclosed with this newsletter. Where possible we prefer payment to be made directly by bank transfer. Our bank details are as follows and **please always use your child's name as reference** :-

Sort Code: 40-20-23 **Account no:** 61627759 **Account name:** Bright Stars Nursery Ltd

We would encourage parents to utilise online and telephone banking to process payments at their convenience or to call head office on 01992 676631 in order to make a debit card payment over the phone from 9am – 5.30pm. If there are any issues or concerns as a result of this change please contact Linda at Head office.

Confirmation of Fees letter to Tax Office and other Government Departments.

Please be advised that all correspondence to the tax office or other Government departments is sent directly to them following requests from parents. To avoid any confusion we always include reference numbers on such correspondence. Please ensure, therefore, that you provide copies of any letters from the Tax Office which require a response from us to be attached to your requests to us. All such requests should be sent to Linda@brightstarsnursery.ltd.uk

REMINDERS

Photographer

A photographer is coming to our setting on **22nd May 2018** from 9:00am. All children are invited to have their pictures taken and the pictures will be on sale for parents after you receive a sample to choose from. If your child does not attend nursery on that day (Tuesday), you are still welcome to come in and have their photo taken. Graduation Photos for those children moving on to school in September will also be taken on the same day

Graduation 2018

We will be holding a graduation ceremony for the children moving to Reception in September this year. The ceremony will be held on **Friday 29th June 2018** between 4:00pm and 6:00pm. All parents are welcome to join us from 4:00pm on this day to support the children moving on to School. Refreshments will be provided, so do make sure you join in for this exciting event.

Nursery Trip

We are planning to have our annual nursery trip on **Friday, 27th July 2018**. Children who attend nursery will have priority for seats and parents/carers are welcome to come along. These seats will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Child moving on to school

Good luck to all our parents finding out about school places this month.

We will provide an end of year report for all children going onto school in September. If your child is transferring into school, could you therefore please inform management of the name and address of the school your child going to attend. Please remember you need to inform us of the exact date your child will be leaving, giving us one months notice in writing.

Spring Bank Holiday

Bank Holiday days to add to your diary are the May Bank Holiday on Monday 7th May 2018 and the Spring Bank Holiday on Monday 28th May 2018, the nursery will be closed on these days.

Nursery Main Door

Parents, please can you ensure that when leaving the nursery, you do not allow anyone in without a member of staff being aware off and also make sure the nursery doors are properly shut to ensure the safety of all children. Thank you

Nursery SEND-CO Officers

(Special Educational Needs & Disability Co-ordinators)

Osayande Allende

Tessa Stevens

If you require any further information regarding the SENCO role or are worried about any aspect of your child's development please feel free to talk to Osa/Tessa for a confidential chat.

From,

Eileen White

Nursery Manager

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Monthly Activity & Learning Programme

General Theme: Animals

Month: May 2018

Mini Topics: (and following the interests of the children)

Festivals/Special events:

- Farm
- Desert
- Antarctic
- Jungle
- Water Animals

Story: What the Ladybird heard

Farm	Desert
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Making Farmyard Animals Masks• Painting Farm Animals• Watch DVD about Animals• Farm finger puppets• Drawing and talking about animals foot prints• Making our own farm yards with animals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create and put desert in black tray with desert animals• Talking about Desert Animals• Making own Cactus using playdough, Pipe cleaners and Spaghetti• Camel and Scorpions in sand and describing• Free dessert painting• Making sand pictures

