

Bluebell Lodge Newsletter



July 2017

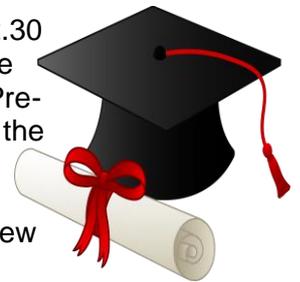
PE Lessons

Within the nursery we have a P.E session with Rob from AFC on a Monday, this term the Lower Pre-school and Pre-school have been participating in yoga. During yoga the children experiment with a range of movements, follow a range of instructions; learning about warming up and cooling down. This session helps to meet the physical daily activity guidelines and enabling them to begin to understand how physical activity can help them to be healthier and how it can improve and be a part their everyday life. In conjunction with the setting's approach to healthy eating it helps children's physical development, overall health, and helps to develop positive attitudes to physical activity for life.

Summer Fair

We will be holding this years Summer Fair on Saturday 29th July 2016 12.00 pm - 2.30 pm. Join us for an afternoon of fun and laughter, there will be a barbeque, face painting, stalls and much more. Not forgetting the graduation ceremony for the Pre-School leavers at 12.30 pm. This year the Mayor of Blackpool will be presenting the Pre-school leavers with their certificates.

We will be holding the tombola and raffle too and have started collecting prizes. So if you have anything you would like to donate please bring it in over the next few weeks and give it to your room co-ordinators or Anne in the office.



Pre-School Leavers

It's fast approaching a sad time of the year for the nursery when we have to say goodbye to the Pre-school children that are leaving to start a new adventure at their big school. Please can you arrange to give your child's leaving dates to Anne in the office. This is to ensure that your child's profile and transition document is up-to-date and ready to take away with you on your child's last day.

Wind Chime Competition

Now that summer is upon us we are inviting parents to create their own wind chime to hang in the gardens. We encourage you to be as creative as possible and use as many resources as you can. All entries will receive a prize and certificate. Please can all entries for the competition be in no later than Monday 17th July. We can't wait to see all your creations.



Transitions

Over July, August and September there will be lots of children having visits to their next room, ready to move up over the next term. We believe that its important children can have visits to their new room to ensure a smooth transition. By doing this it helps supports the children in forming new bonds with their key person and getting used to the routine. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to ask the room co-ordinators.

September Places

Places for September are now limited if you want to increase your child's sessions and you are in receipt of the following from September please see Anne to avoid disappointment.

3 Year Old Funding – (15 Hours Funded). Due to the nursery being open throughout the year it equates to 11 hours per week. If your child is entitled to the 3 year old grant in September you may want to increase your child's sessions.

30 Hours Free Childcare – From September Bluebell Lodge is intending on delivering the funded 30 hours (15 hours extension for qualifying parents). Due to the nursery being open throughout the year this equates to 22 hours per week. If you have applied you will be issued with an 11 digit code which you will need to supply this to the nursery. If you haven't applied for the 30 hours free please see the link below to apply: <https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/applynow>

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Nursery Menus

At Bluebell Lodge we have been developing the menus with the new nursery chef to provide a more varied, nutritious and balanced meals and snacks for the children. From July we will be introducing four weekly menus instead of the two weekly menus we have now. Whilst developing the menus we looked at the reducing the amount of sugar the children consumed during the day, with this in mind we have looked at introducing starters to one of the meal times during the day and will be trailing this. Nursery menus are available upon request from the office.

Dates to Remember

July 11th Parents Evening 18:00 - 20:00
July 29th Summer Fair & Graduation 12:00 - 14:30
August 28th Bank Holiday (nursery closed)



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