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September 2020 Newsletter



Welcome back Little beans and new little beans and all our wonderful families! We hope you have all had a wonderful summer. We would especially like to welcome all our new little beans who are starting this term :)

We have an open door ethos and welcome any calls or emails at any time if you wish to speak to any members of the team.

We would also like to welcome all our little beans who have transferred from Little Beans Fernside (our sister site) to Little Beans Garland. This academic year instead of intaking new children we have migrated children from our sister site as the current owners have sadly sold Little Beans Fernside to redevelop the land into 9 flats and therefore our lovely little nursery had to cease operating, but luckily all our little beans are moving across and so are our big beans :)

Term Dates

2020/2021 Term Dates – Term time Only (TTO) children:

- Term 1 - Monday 7th September 2020 – Friday 23rd October 2020
 - Half term – Monday 26th October 2020 – Friday 30th October 2020
- Term 2 – Monday 2nd November 2020 – Friday 18th December 2020
- Term 1 - Monday 11th January 2021 – Friday 12th February 2021
 - Half term – Monday February 15th – Friday 19th February 2021
- Term 2 – Monday 22nd February 2021 – Friday 2nd April 2021
 - Half term – Monday 5th April 2021 – Friday 16th April 2021
- Term 1 – Monday 19th April 2021 – Friday 28th May 2021
 - Half term – Monday 31st May 2021 – Friday 4th June 2021
- Term 2 – Monday 7th June 2021 – Friday 23rd July 2021
 - Summer Holidays – Monday 26th July 2021 – Friday 3rd September 2021

2020/21 Term dates – All year round (AYR) children:

- Monday 31st August 2020 – Friday 27th August 2021
 - Closed for Christmas – Thursday 24th December 2020 – Thursday 31st December 2020
 - Bank Holidays (nursery closed)
- Friday 31st August 2020
- Friday 1st January 2021
- Friday 2nd April 2021
- Monday 5th April 2021
- Monday 3rd May 2021
- Monday 31st May 2021
- Monday 30th August 2021

This month your Little Beans will be learning about...Our Theme – All About Me

Your Little Beans will be learning all about what makes us who we are such as our personalities, faiths and beliefs and friendships and how we are all different such as our image, our likes and dislikes.

**ALL
ABOUT
ME!**



Reminders and Updates

Toys, water bottles and communication books – Until the pandemic is over, we are asking that parents **do not** bring in toys, water bottles or communication books. The children will be given specific cups to drink from and the information that would usually be included into the communication books will be put onto Tapestry for you. Children under the age of 2 years, can still bring bottles in if they cannot drink from a cup.

Hot Weather - Due to the increase in temperature, please ensure your child attends nursery wearing SUNCREAM and a HAT. Could you also bring in a NAMED BOTTLE of SUNCREAM (Factor 30 minimum) to be applied at nursery. Or you can pay £3.50 to Little Beans for it to be applied to your child all year!

New process for completing accident forms due to covid-19

We understand accidents happen and as you are aware we have a duty to not only record accidents and injuries that happen to the children whilst in our care but also when they have injured themselves at home. Before the pandemic, parents would report these accidents to us when dropping off their child, however, as we are minimising the physical contact between staff and parents, may we ask parents to let us know before the day their child is due in and we can then email out the form to be completed and we can then print this off or you can bring it along with you when dropping your child off.

If for any reason you are unable to do the forms this way e.g you cannot complete online or the accident happened on the way to nursery, that is absolutely fine, the forms will be handed over to you at the door and you will be asked to complete it outside the building, ring the doorbell once completed and pass on to the staff member.

Staff may ring you to clarify information but please let us reassure you that this is nothing for you to worry about, it is because we are unable to have the same discussion we would have had before the pandemic.

Emergency Contacts

May we ask that all parents update us with any changes of their details, including contact numbers and addresses. May we also ask that parents provide us with additional emergency contact details as many of the emergency contacts we have for children are currently shielding and therefore cannot be an emergency contact. The emergency contact must be able to collect your child. We will of course always try to contact parents first.

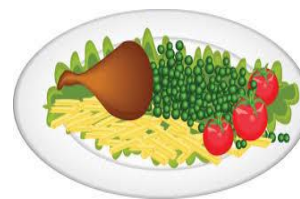
Have you seen the Something New magazine! The parenting magazine for Dorset families! There will be a new magazine every term with something new and interesting! Copies are kept in the reception area so ask a member of staff for your free copy today!

SOMETHINGNEW
THE PARENTING MAGAZINE FOR DORSET FAMILIES

Little Beans Lunches & Teas



We have a rolling hot lunch and tea menu - this can be accessed on our website. Our delicious hot lunches are freshly made every day by our own on-site nursery cook Claire. If you would like your child to start having hot lunches (£2.60 per day) or tea (£2.10), then please speak to a member of staff who can provide you with further information.



Car Park/Parking/Public Transport - Please be aware that parking is for drop off and collection only. Please do not leave cars here whilst going on the school run. Please also park considerately within the marked bays. **YOU MUST NOT PARK ON THE PAVEMENT.** If someone has parked on the pavement, they will be politely asked to move their car before they are able to drop off/collect their children. Ensure when getting out of your cars and when waiting outside the nursery, that you are social distancing. May we also ask parents to not use public transport unless there is no other option.

More information about using public transport during the pandemic can be found on:
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-safer-travel-guidance-for-passengers>

Spare Clothing and Children's Belongings— Please ensure you are bringing in spare clothes in a labelled bag such as a rucksack (not a plastic shopping bag). Please pass this to a member of the team when dropping your child at the entrance to the nursery. All spare clothing and belongings in the child's bag **must** be also be labelled. Even if you do not think your child needs spare clothing there will be occasions when they may need to be changed.

Recipe of the month - Sausage, lentil, and rice stew

- 1 packet sausages
 - 250g green lentils
 - 250g rice
 - 1 pepper – grated or chopped small
 - 3 carrots – grated or chopped small
 - 200g spinach (fresh or frozen – frozen will take a few minutes longer to cook)
 - 1 tbsp ground garlic
 - 1 tbsp mixed herbs
 - 1 vegetable stock cube
 - 400ml boiling water
1. Preheat the oven to 200°C.
 2. Bake the sausages in a casserole dish for 20 minutes, and when cooked chop into small pieces.
 3. In a pot, boil the lentils, stock cube and boiling water for 10 minutes, then simmer for 20 minutes.
 4. Add the garlic, mixed herbs, carrot, pepper and rice to the lentils and simmer for 20 minutes, adding more boiling water if necessary.
 5. Add the sausages to the lentil mixture and simmer for 5 minutes.
 6. Add the spinach to the lentil mixture and serve when the spinach has finished cooking.





Website Our

website has lots of useful information that is updated each month. We put all newsletters, menus and dates for the diary on it. Please regularly check the website to keep updated with what's going on: www.littlebeansdaycare.com

Remember to check out our Facebook and Tapestry posts for information, activities, and support. More Home Learning information can be found on: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/supporting-your-childrens-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19>



Facebook and Instagram



Please check out our Facebook and Instagram page, give us a 'like' and 'follow' to keep updated with dates and reminders. We also add photos regularly of what your Little Beans have been up to. Please also leave reviews!

<https://www.facebook.com/littlebeansgarland> search on Instagram; Little Beans.

If you have any questions or concerns, then please speak to a member of the Little Beans Team who will be happy to help.

Many thanks

The **Little Beans** team



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