

Little Beans

Weymouth



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Joyful June!

Welcome to our June Newsletter.

With the summer sun becoming more intense, please be reminded that we need you to provide a sun hat and a new, unopened, labelled bottle of sun cream.



A cardigan or small jumper is also advisable, because it can still be chilly on cloudy days and in the afternoon when the shade has come over!

Book of the month- Mister Seahorse by Eric Carle

This beautifully illustrated picture book for preschoolers shows a seahorse dad under the sea nurturing his young.

The story of Mister Seahorse follows the colorful lead character through swishing, swirling sea waters to the place where he hatches his young.

In each colorful image, Mister Seahorse's pouch grows bigger and bigger. In the meantime, the reader sees all sorts of camouflaged underwater sea life and the title character meets many friends along the way.



This month..... we will be exploring Space and Planets!

This term, our Little Beans will be blasting off into the fascinating world of space and planets! Through this cosmic adventure, they'll begin to appreciate the wonders of the world we live in and learn how we can all do our part to look after our precious natural resources.

Learning about space is all about embracing the unknown – encouraging imaginative thinking, posing “what if” questions, and nurturing those wonderfully curious minds.

We'll be carrying out simple experiments, making observations, and exploring why things happen the way they do. It's a brilliant way to introduce scientific thinking in an age-appropriate and exciting way.

We'll be investigating questions like, *Which is the biggest planet?* and *Is the moon really made of cheese?* – sparking giggles while also fuelling inquisitive learning.

As part of our journey, children will be introduced to the world of non-fiction, discovering how to find out real facts about our universe. We'll be using books, videos, and the internet to help us learn the names of the planets, and uncover fascinating facts – did you know Saturn has over 60 moons?

We'll also explore why space matters to us here on Earth – from understanding day and night, to discovering how Jupiter helps protect our planet by pulling in wayward comets.





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Little Beans Celebrates!

Events in June 2025

2nd June to 8th June 2025: Child Safety Week: Organised by the Child Accident Prevention Trust to promote safety issues for children.

Bring a Plant Week at Little Beans – 2nd June 2025 to 6th June 2025

Over the summer we will be encouraging the children to plant flowers in our outdoor area. If you would like to donate plants, flowers, or any other resources, we would be very grateful.



5th June 2025: World Environment Day: A day the United Nations set aside to stimulate worldwide awareness and action for the protection of our environment.

8th June 2025: World Ocean Day! (We will celebrate on Monday 9th June). Event organised by The Ocean Project to raise awareness of the oceans and the living creatures that make their home there. We will be exploring all things under the sea and looking at not only who lives there but how we can help the animals who live there!



14th June 2025: King's Official birthday. Celebrations of the monarch's official birthday are held in June across the Commonwealth and include the Trooping of the Colour in London.



15th June 2025: Father's Day! The Little Beans will be making cards for those special male figures in our lives and talking all about kindness and appreciating those we love!

21st June 2025: Summer Solstice This day is the first day of astronomical summer in the northern hemisphere.



25^h June 2025: National writing day: A day for everybody across the UK to put pen to paper (or fingers to keyboard), unleash their imagination and make their voices heard . We will be making marks in lots of wonderful ways throughout the day.

Getting ready to write

-----building the foundations

Handwriting is a complex skill that begins long before a child picks up a pencil. To write successfully, children first need strong *postural control* – the ability to sit upright and move their arms and hands with stability and co-ordination.

This control begins developing from birth, with milestones like lifting the head, rolling over, and pushing up during tummy time, which also supports shoulder strength.

Before children can hold a pencil with their fingers, they need to isolate their fingers from their palm. Early pencil grips involve the whole hand, and as fine motor skills improve through playdough, messy play, and finger rhymes like "*Two Little Dickie Birds*", children gain better finger control.

Mark making is a key step before writing – activities like tracing, colouring within lines, and drawing simple shapes (lines and circles) help prepare children for forming letters.

By supporting these early steps through fun, hands-on activities, at Little Beans we help children become confident and capable writers.





Little Bean’s Recipe of the Month

Pizza Pinwheels

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- Pack of puff pastry
- 1 tin of chopped tomatoes
- 1 tbsp tomato puree
- 100g cheese
- 1 pepper
- 1 tin of sweetcorn
- 1 pineapple
- 1 packet of ham
- 1 packet of mushrooms
- 1 packet of cherry tomatoes chopped
- Non-stick baking tray

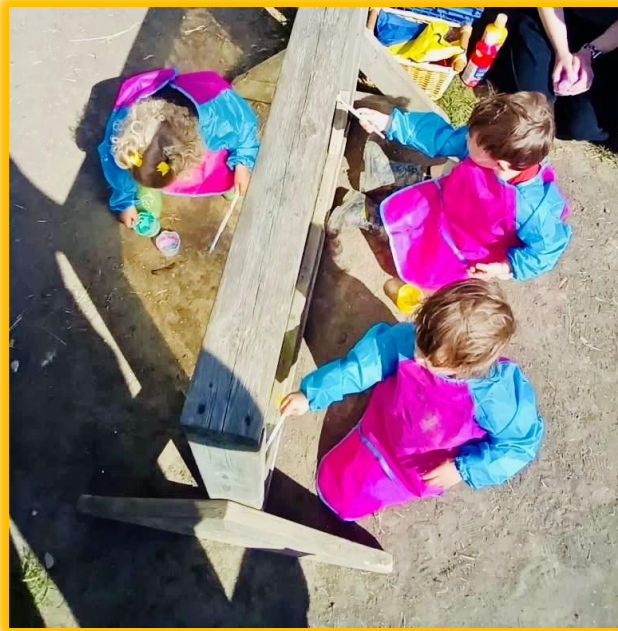
Top Tip:

If you have any left-over toppings you can put them on skewers and cook them in the oven or BBQ them to make a delicious snack.

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1. Preheat the oven on 180 degrees, gas mark 4.
2. Cut the ready rolled puff pastry into thin strips.
3. Pour the tin tomatoes into a bowl and mix in the tomato puree. Use a fork to break up the big chunks of chopped tomatoes.
4. Use a spoon to place some of the tomato mix onto each strip of pastry.
5. Grate the cheese and sprinkle on top of the tomato mixture.
6. Then it’s time to add your toppings, cut up your choice of toppings into small pieces and place them on top.
7. Starting from one end, roll the pastry up into a wheel.
8. Place on the baking tray and cook in the oven for 20 mins or until the cheese is melted.

TERM DATES FOR TERM TIME ONLY (TTO) CHILDREN:	TERM DATES FOR ALL YEAR ROUND (AYR) CHILDREN:	Bank Holidays (nursery closed)
Summer term Term 1 – Monday 21st April 2025 – Friday 23rd May 2025 Half term – Monday 26th May 2025 – Friday 30th May 2025 Term 2 – Monday 2nd June 2025 – Friday 18th July 2025 Summer Holidays – Monday 21st July 2025 – Friday 29th August 2025	Academic year Monday 2nd September 2024 – Friday 29th August 2025 Summer Term 31st March 2025 – 29th August 2025 (22 weeks) Academic year Monday 1st Sept 2025-Friday 28th Aug 2026 Autumn term 1st September 2025 – Friday 19th December 2025 (16 weeks) Spring Term 22nd December 2025 - January 2026 – 28th March 2026 (13 weeks) Summer Term 31st March 2026 – 29th August 2026 (22 weeks)	 Monday 5th May 2025 Monday 26th May 2025 Monday 25th August 2025 Thursday 25th December 2025 Friday 26th December 2025 Closed for Christmas! 😊 Wednesday 24th December 2025 – Tuesday 31st December 2025 inclusive and Monday 1st January 2026 (Bank holiday closed) Re-open on the Friday 2nd January 2026



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Housekeeping!

Reminders

Changes to session: We are more than happy to accommodate any changes to your child's booking pattern. However, we do ask that you give us one month's notice.

Extra Sessions in the summer holiday: Please let us know if you require any extra sessions during the summer holidays. Just speak to Lynne or Claire if you are interested and we can get your child booked in.

Timely fee payments: We'd like to gently remind all our families of the importance of paying fees on time. Timely payments help us with our day to day operation and allows us to focus on giving your children the very best early years' experience. We appreciate your support and understanding.

Welcome to the Team, Jess!



We're delighted to welcome Jess to our nursery team! Jess is a level 3 practitioner who brings lots of enthusiasm and a passion for working with young children. We're so excited to have her join our Little Beans family. Be sure to say hello and give her a warm welcome—she's already settling in beautifully!

Little Beans Weymouth Expansion

We're thrilled to share that our nursery expansion and renovation project is nearly complete! The newly updated areas have been thoughtfully designed to provide even more space for learning, play, and discovery both indoor and out.

With new resources, cosy corners, and enhanced facilities, we're excited to welcome our Little Beans into the revitalized space very soon. Thank you to all our families for your patience and support during the project— we can't wait to open the doors and share what we have created with you. **We will let you have more details on our opening very soon!**

Thank you – Little Beans Team Weymouth

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. You can also leave reviews!

<https://www.facebook.com/littlebeansweymouth>
Search on Instagram under 'Little Beans Day Care'

Little Beans Website

Our website also has lots of useful information which we up-date each month. We put all newsletters, menus, and dates for the diary on it.

You can check the website to keep updated with what's going on www.littlebeansdaycare.com



June 2025 – we will be singing.....

Summer Clothes Song (Sing to the tune of ‘Hats, Shoulders, Knees and Toes’.

You may like to make up your own actions to this song.)

Hat, T-shirt, shorts and shades, shorts and shades. Hat, T-shirt, shorts and shades, shorts and shades.

And swimming costume and flip-flops. Hat, T-shirt, shorts and shades, shorts and shades.

Summer Playing Song (Sing to the tune of ‘Wind the Bobbin Up’.)

Look, the sun’s come out! Look, the sun’s come out!

Hot, hot, bright blue sky.

In the paddling pool. In the paddling pool.

Cool, cool, splash, splash, splash.

Play in the garden, play in the pool, Play in the woods where it’s dark and cool.

Children play together in the sun. Summertime is lots of fun.

Summer in the Garden Song (Sing to the tune of ‘London’s Burning’.)

Grass is growing, grass is growing. Bees are buzzing, bees are buzzing. Summer, summer! Summer, summer!

Sun is shining, sun is shining.

The Sun Cream Song (Sing to the tune of ‘1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Once I Caught a Fish Alive’.)

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, make sure sun cream is applied.

5, 4, 3, 2, 1, out we go into the sun. Why do we rub it in? It’s protection for our skin.

Which children need it on? Everyone who’s in the sun!