

# Little Fawns September 2018 Newsletter



#### Little Fawns staff:

Miss Ivison (Acting Manager)
Miss Hodgson (STA)
Mrs Phillips (STA)
Mrs Hill (STA)
Mrs Armiger(HLTA)
Miss Devlin (Mid-day Supervisor)
Mrs Nattrass (Mid-day Supervisor)

#### Key Person

Please find attached the name of your child's Key Person. This member of staff will be supporting your child on a day to day basis, observing their learning and development and providing you with feedback when you request, or at your child's termly Parent/Carer Progress Meeting.

# Dates for your diary....

Week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018-Parent/Carer Progress Meetings for new starters.

#### Packed Lunches

Hot meals are no longer available. If your child stays over the lunchtime period, you MUST provide a healthy packed lunch. Please note that we do not have the facilities to keep packed lunches in refrigerators; ice packs popped inside lunch boxes are a great alternative.

#### 2 Year Old Funding

It's not too late to apply for free 15 hours childcare for your 2 year old.
Applications are available from www.cumbria.gov.uk or ask a member of staff for an application form.

October Half Term
We will close on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October
at 3.15pm and reopen on Monday 29<sup>th</sup>
October at 8.45am.

#### Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a fantastic summer. It's lovely to see you all again. We also offer a big welcome to all our new children and their families.

#### Little Fawns' Building

As you will now be aware, we are carrying out essential maintenance work on the Little Fawns' building so in the short term we are using the new Nursery building located in the main school. All of the children have settled really well. This also acts as a fantastic opportunity to support your child's transition into nursery as this will be one of the rooms they will use as their classroom. We will let you know when we will be moving but it will not be before October.

Please note, at drop off times the doors will close promptly at 9am and 12.30pm. If you are late or require access at different times, please go to the main school reception.

Pick up times will be at 11.45 am, 12.15pm and 3.15pm prompt. If you need to collect your child earlier please call 01228 558774. You will then collect your child from the main school reception.

#### Fees

Payments MUST be paid on the first session of each week your child attends Little Fawns. If fees are a week in arrears, your child's place will be lost and will be offered to another child on our waiting list. Please put the fees in a sealed envelope labelled with your child's name and the amount you are paying. Alternatively, you can pay at the main school reception.

## Nursery January 2019

If your child turns 3 before the 31<sup>st</sup> December you will need to apply for their free 15 hours place in nursery by 15<sup>th</sup> November. Application forms are available from the Little Fawns' cloakroom and from the main school reception.

For information about the 30 hours funding please see the notice board, speak to Miss Ivison or visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

#### Home Learning

On each newsletter you will find an idea for you to do with your child at home which we will also be focusing on in nursery.

This half term we are focusing on traditional songs and nursery rhymes.

At home, you could try singing together:

## The Wheels On The Bus

The wheels on bus go round and round, round and round. The wheels on the bus go round and round, all day long.

The horn on the bus goes beep, beep, beep....

The wipers on the bus go swish, swish, swish....

The door on the bus goes open and shut....

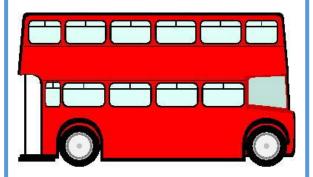
The babies on the bus go wah, wah, wah.

The Mammies on the bus go chatter, chatter, chatter....

The Daddies on the bus go snore, snore snore...

Don't forget to do all the actions; it's a great way to encourage your child to join in if they are not yet using words.

You will also find useful ideas tailored to your child's individual needs on the observations we email to you.



#### Polite reminders...

# **WOW Moments**

We'd love you share any of your child's special achievements, however big or small, such as: putting their own shoes on, saying a new word or using the potty for the first time. Please support your child to display these slips on our Wow Moment board which is located on the window in the cloakroom area. Pictures from home and photos of your child's adventures and experiences are also very welcome.

## **Family Photos**

Please could you provide photos of your child's family and people who are important to them? These form one of our displays in the room and enable us to create a home from home experience and for your child to start conversations with us.

# Your Child's Bag

As we all know, two year olds can get messy just looking at water, paint or mud! Please provide a **full** change of clothes in your child's bag especially socks! More changes of clothes and shoes will be required if your child is toilet training.

We also ask you to check all bags before they come into nursery to ensure that any items that shouldn't be there are removed. We have seen an increase of items (such as lighters and medication) being left in children's bags that could cause harm to them or other children.

Please label all of your child's belongings with their name e.g. jumpers, bags, hats, toys and even shoes. We acquire a lot of lost property and are not able to return it to its rightful owners as it is not named.

### Wellies

Please provide for your child a pair of wellies that can stay in Little Fawns. We use the outdoor provision in all weathers and wellies are essential as things get very muddy! However, please avoid sending your children to school in wellies as these can become a hazard when doing activities in the school hall, for example, and children become very confused when we have to change their wellies to go outside!

#### Absences

If your child is or will be absent from Little Fawns, please contact our school reception on 01228 558774 and leave a message for us.

#### Thank you.