



Newsletter October 2021

Please take few moments to read this Newsletter. It **contains some very important updates.**

Welcome

We would like to welcome two new Little Sunbeams; Edward and Arlo W, we hope they thoroughly enjoy their preschool experience with us.

Tesco Instore Voting – Community Grants

We are delighted to tell you that we have been put forward for a Customer vote to receive a Community Grant from Tesco's. The preschool could receive up to £1500. Voting started on 1st October and runs until 31st December. Look out for the blue tokens in Tesco Whiteley and Tesco Express (Warsash Rd).

Juice Ban

Please respond ASAP to our notice regarding changes to the drinks your child can bring to preschool. In recap we are considering bringing in a ban of all drinks other than milk or water with only additional juice, smoothies etc. allowed in preschool as part of their lunch. This would bring us in line with the policies of local schools.

We are very aware of the fact children need to drink plenty of fluid particularly in the hot weather and we don't want to reduce their intake. However banning squash in preschools is something that has been recommended by the chief medical officer and is endorsed by OFSTED.

We are on the lookout for.....

As we develop our preschool we may put out lists of items we are looking for. We are currently looking for; Compost, offcuts of wood or logs, old car tyres. Please talk to a member of staff if you think you can help.

Welly boots and Slippers

As the weather is becoming increasingly changeable and the children are in and out of the garden rapidly (if you haven't already) can you please provide them with welly boots and slippers (with their name on) so they can quickly change from outside to inside independently.

Waypoint Hub

Please find the attached flier for the Waypoint Hub. Based in our building they are there for you if you are struggling with the rising costs of living.

Our door is open

Although we continue to ask that you drop off your child at our garden gate we are now able to invite you in to see our learning environment. Please speak to the staff member on the gate if you are interested in coming in to take a look around.

Questionnaire responses

Please find attached response analysis of our July questionnaire. Thanks to everyone who responded to this.

Hallet Photography

Hallett Photography visit us on Friday 8th October at 1.30pm. If your child does not attend on a Friday but you wish to have their photo taken please speak to a member of staff.

Smile Amazon

If you are a regular Amazon user please remember to use <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1173913-0> and Amazon donates to Little Sunbeams Preschool (Fareham) at no cost to you.

Dates for your diary

Tesco Instore Voting – Community Grants – 1st October to 31st December 2021

Hallett Photography – Friday 8th October – 1.30pm

Half Term holiday – Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October

Year R Application process opens (for children born between 1 sept 2017 and 31 Aug 2018) – 1st November 2021

Committee Meeting – 9th November 2021 – 8pm (TBC)

Last day of Term – Thursday 16th December

Christmas Party (TBC) Friday 17th December

Spring Term starts – Tuesday 4th January 2022

Deadline for receipt of Year R Applications 15th January 2022

Spring Term Holiday – Monday 21st February – Friday 25th February

Easter Holiday – Monday 11th April – Friday 22nd April

Notification Date for Year R places – 19th April 2022

Summer Term Starts – Monday 25th April

May Day Bank holiday – Monday 2nd May

Summer Half Term Holiday – Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June

Last day of term Wednesday 20th July 2022

Leavers Party (TBC) Thursday 21st July 2022