



Little Hedgehogs Newsletter Term 6 Summer 2024

Dear Parents & Carers

Can you believe we have nearly completed another academic year! How quickly time has flown! We hope you all had a great half term. Term 5 was an extremely busy term full of exploration and excitement. We have another busy term ahead of us, preparing for sports day and ensuring smooth transitions for our Little Hedgehogs due to start school in September.

Learning in Term 6

This term our topic is called 'This is Me' and we will be focusing on looking at ourselves, celebrating differences, staying fit and healthy, incorporating healthy eating, exercise and of course our mini sports day into this! We will also be working towards a smooth transition for those children moving on to school in September. Ongoing activities will include cooking, painting, arts and crafts, imaginative play, singing and dancing, number and shape activities, singing, and listening and sound activities.

Mini Sports Morning/Afternoon

As part of our learning about healthy living, the Little Hedgehogs will be taking part in a mini sports morning/afternoon. The children will be completing a number of different races and activities that will be set up on the school field in front of the nursery. You are more than welcome to come along to this event and cheer your child along! If your child does not attend on either of these days or sessions, please talk to their key worker and make arrangements for them to come in for one of the events. Please be there promptly as we will start at the given times (see dates for your diary).



Dates for your Diary - Term 6

11.06.24—Welcome evening for Parents & Carers of children starting in Reception at Hampton in Sept 2024 6pm start

(This is for parents and carers only, not for children)

14.06.24— PTA non uniform day

19.06.24— Little Hedgehogs Mini Sports Day 2.15pm—2.45pm (parents & carers welcome)

20.06.24—PTA Summer Fair (3:30pm)

21.06.24- Little Hedgehogs Mini Sports Afternoon 2:15pm —2.45 pm (parents & carers welcome)

19.07.24 - End of Term 6

The children start back at Little Hedgehogs on Wednesday 4th September 2024



Play Sessions for those children starting in Reception at Hampton School in September 2024.

On the 11th June, you will receive information regarding play sessions taking place this term in their new class with their Reception teacher. If your child is at Nursery on the day of the play sessions you do not need to come in, we will be taking them over to their new classroom and bringing them back as part of their nursery day. If the play session falls on a day they do not attend, please try to take them to it as it is really important for them to see their new classroom and teacher to reduce any anxiety about going to school.

Voluntary Contribution for Cooking



Thank you for all those contributions we have received for cooking. This term's contributions will be £2.50 for the term. We aim to be making some really nice healthy recipes this term to follow along with our Healthy Living topic.

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"ParentPay" Plan

For those of you who are paying for extra sessions above and beyond the government funded hours, please can you continue to pay for these on line using "ParentPay". The nursery is now full on some days and so it may be the case that extra sessions aren't available. If you currently have extra sessions then we can continue to accommodate this. If your child is staying with us in September and you will require extra sessions or you become eligible for 30 hours funding, please can you let Mrs Finch know as soon as possible to aid with timetabling.



Transition for children starting school in September 2024

We will be really sad to say goodbye to our Little Hedgehogs who will be starting school in September. They have truly been a credit to us and are so pleased to see the progress they have made. We hope that we have done all we can in preparing them for school life. For the children who are starting Hampton in September, there will be a number of opportunities made this term for the children to visit their new classrooms and the Foundation Stage area so they are familiar with their new environment. Their new class teachers will also be visiting them in the nursery to observe and see how they interact with adults and children and get to know them personally. This is in order for us to ensure the transition is as smooth as possible for them. We wish them lots of happiness and fun as they continue on their journey through Hampton or on to a new school.



Staying up to date

We also have a section on the Hampton website set up under classes. Keep your eyes peeled for photos and information regarding the learning taking place at Nursery along with dates of any events taking place. Our website address is www.hampton.kent.sch.uk. Should you wish to contact our Nursery via email, the address is littlehedgehogs@hampton.kent.sch.uk. Please do not hesitate to ask if you any questions or queries. Our nursery staff are available at the beginning and end of the day and we are happy to help!



Spare Clothes and Nappies/Pull ups

Please can we remind you that your child needs to bring a spare set of clothes, including socks to nursery each day in case of any accidents. Please can these be in a named bag and kept on their peg. If your child is still in nappies or pull ups, please can you supply these and wipes as well.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you (parents, carers and extended family) for your support throughout the time your child has been at Little Hedgehogs. We have had an amazing year and look forward to the year ahead. We will soon be sending out a questionnaire to parents and carers so that we can receive some input on the provision at Little Hedgehogs Nursery. We would really appreciate it if you could take 5 minutes to fill it out and return it to us. Your feedback is extremely important and we aim to keep improving.

Many thanks, Little Hedgehogs Team