

The Lea Nursery School

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Dear Parents and Carers

This half term has flown by! All of the new children have now started and most children have settled in well. Some children settle quickly, others take time. Please don't worry if your child is still a little unsettled- this is very normal. Please be assured that staff are doing their best to make all children feel at home at Nursery. Throughout your child's time at Nursery please always feel confident to talk to us about your child. It is by working together in partnership with you that we achieve the best possible outcomes for children. If you ever feel anxious about any aspect of your child's Nursery experience please talk to your child's keyworker or catch me and ask to have a word. You will see me most days at the door or gate at the beginning and the end of the session.

Look Out Discovery Centre

Earlier this month a group of children, parents and staff went on an outing to Look Out Discovery Centre. Here are some photographs of the day.



Clothing

As the weather starts to get cooler please ensure that your child brings a coat to Nursery every day. We want all children to be warm when they play outside, so children are not allowed to go outside if they are not wearing a coat. We would like all children to learn to put their own coat on. This is the way we teach them to do it- please help your child by practising at home.

1. Put the hood of the coat by your child's feet.
2. Get your child to put his/her arms in the sleeves.
3. Get your child to flip the coat over his/her head.
4. Hey presto- your child will have his/her coat on!
5. Show your child how to do up the zip by fastening the bottom bit and encouraging him/her to pull it up.



Focus Children

Thank you to all of the parents who have already taken cameras home and spent time taking photographs with your child. Children love to talk about their own photographs. Thank you also for filling in the information sheet about your child. All of these things help us to support the learning and development of children. If your child hasn't yet had a turn please don't worry. All children will have a turn before the December holidays.

Attendance

The school Governing Body regularly monitor the attendance of children. I met with the Governing Body recently and they were delighted to see that so far this year attendance is better than last year. Thank you for bringing your child to Nursery regularly.

At the end of each term we give the children whose attendance is better than 95% a certificate and a small prize. It looks like we might need lots of prizes this term!

Reporting Absence

If your child is absent please report it in one of the following 3 ways:

- Phone the Nursery on **01753 536492**
- Text the Nursery on the following number **078 6003 4214**
- E-mail the Nursery using the address post@lea-nursery.slough.sch.uk

If your child is absent and you receive a text please either reply to this text, phone or e-mail to let us know why your child is away.

Parent Workshop- 31st October

Does your child still drink from a bottle?
Does your child have a dummy?
Is your child still in nappies?



You are not alone and we would like to help.

Please attend our parent workshop on
Wednesday 31st October at 8:45am or 12:30pm

Food and Drink at Nursery

We have some children with food allergies and special dietary requirements at Nursery. Sometimes these can be very serious and life threatening. Please help us by making sure your child doesn't bring food into Nursery. Please never let your child bring food in their bags or pockets and please make sure he/she finishes his/her breakfast/lunch before arriving at Nursery.

Half Term

Thursday the 18th is the last day of this half term. We are closed on Friday the 19th and Monday 29th of October for staff training. The first day back for children will be on Tuesday the 30th of October.

Important Dates

Autumn 2018

Friday 19 October 2018 is a staff training day and Nursery is closed

October Holiday: Friday 19 October 2018 to Monday 29 October 2018

Monday 29 October 2018 is a staff training day and Nursery is closed. Children return on Tuesday 30 October 2018

Thursday 8 November 2018- outing to 'Jump In' (Slough)

Friday 9 November 2018- Diwali party

Wednesday 19 December 2018- Christmas party

Christmas Holiday: Thursday 20th December 2018 to Thursday 3 January 2019

Spring 2019

Thursday 3 January 2019 is a staff training day and Nursery is closed. Children return on Friday 4 January 2019

Friday 15 February 2019- 'Dads in School' day

February Holiday: Monday 18 February 2019 to Friday 22 February 2019

Thursday 7 March 2019- 'World Book Day'

Wednesday 13 March 2019- outing to 'Odd's Farm.'

Monday 18 March 2019- eggs (with chicks inside) arriving at Nursery.

Friday 29 March 2019- 'Mums in School' day

Friday 5 April 2019- 'Bunny Hop' and Easter Egg hunt

Spring Holiday: Monday 8 April 2019 to Tuesday 23 April 2019

Summer 2019

Tuesday 23 April 2019 is a staff training day and Nursery is closed. Children return on Tuesday 24 April 2019

Friday 3 May 2019- outing to 'Odd's Farm'

May Holiday: Monday 27 May 2019 to Friday 31 May 2019

Friday 7 June 2019- Eid party

Friday 21 June 2019- Sports Day

Tuesday 9 July 2019- outing to 'Legoland'

Wednesday 10 July 2019- outing to 'Ruislip Lido'

Friday 19 July- Goodbye to leavers celebration

Tuesday 23 July- Teddy bears' picnic

Summer Holiday: Tuesday 23 July 2019



Outing to



We have planned a trip to **Jump in** Slough on **Thursday 8th of November**

The plan for the day is as follows:

- 9:00am- Coach leaves Lea Nursery
- 9:30am- Arrive and watch a safety video (all families need to watch this)
- 10:00am- Jump and jump and jump
- 12:00pm- Coach leaves Jump in
- 12:30pm- Arrive back at Nursery

The Nursery will be open as normal for children who aren't going on the trip. If your child normally attends the afternoon session please feel free to bring your child on this outing but keep him/her at home in the afternoon. **You do not need to bring a picnic.**

Due to the age of the children we rely heavily on parents to accompany children on trips. There are only **4** places available for unaccompanied children. We may be able to accommodate some younger siblings, but only if they are old enough to travel on the coach without a car seat. The unaccompanied places will be offered according to the following priority:

- Children who have not yet been on a trip as an unaccompanied child.
- Families where both parents work (and in the case of single parents, the single parent works.)
- Parents who are doing a course and have to attend college, university or other educational setting on that day.
- Parents who have a younger child who is unable to go along due to car seat requirements.

The cost of the trip is as follows:

To go by coach: £30 for one adult and one child.

To meet us at Jump in Slough: £20 for one adult and one child

For an unaccompanied child: £10.

If you are unable to afford the cost of the trip but would like to attend please do come and talk to me about it.

If you would like to attend with your child, please complete the attached form and return it (with payment) to Reception. There are 70 places available on the coach and places will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis

Child's Name: _____ **Key Group:** _____

Please indicate the option that applies:

- I would like to accompany my child to Jump in and will travel on the coach (£30)
- I would like to accompany my child to Jump in and will make my own way there (£20)
- I would like my child to go to Jump in with a Nursery adult (£10) (Please indicate the reason why below)

