

# Butterfly Lodge Newsletter



October 2017

## Halloween.

If your child attends nursery on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October. They can dress up for Halloween. We will be having a special visit from the zoo man and having a Halloween party tea. We can't wait to see all your fantastic costumes.

## Pumpkin competitions.

We are inviting parents and children to take part in this year's Halloween pumpkin competition. All children's pumpkins will be displayed down the driveway. All entries will receive a prize and certificate. Please can all entries for the competition be in no later than Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October. We can't wait to see all your pumpkins.



## Story time.

Once upon a time there was a nursery called Butterfly Lodge. One day the children arrived in their pyjamas with their parents for a bedtime story, hot milk and homemade biscuits. All the children enjoyed taking part in a special interactive story before it was time to go to bed..... wouldn't this be a great story to tell our family and friends that we have taken part in?

We would like to invite everyone to our bedtime story evening on the 19th October from 18:00- 18:30. After the story time, each child will receive their own reading packs so we can encourage reading books as a happily ever after.



## Parent open evening

We are holding an open evening for all parents to come along. The evening will take place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October, 6pm until 8pm. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to come along, meet with your child's key person and see/experience some activities which are provided throughout our nursery day.

## Safety and security.

You may have noticed the nursery front door can only be accessed by authorised staff members; this prevents unauthorised visitors accessing the nursery premises. Alongside our 24 hour CCTV monitoring of the front entrance and our strict child collection policy we can effectively safeguard the children for all visitors and unknown guests. Please can you ensure when exiting the nursery you do not let any others through the door until authorised by a member of staff. We hope you have also benefited from a warm welcome at the nursery, alongside necessary support with any questions or queries when arriving or departing the nursery setting.

### Outdoor play in winter.

Children of all ages enjoy and benefit from playing outdoors in all except the most extreme weather. Daily outdoor play is healthy and burns energy. It gives children an opportunity for a change of environment, a balance in play and routine, large muscle activities (gross-motor development). Even children who are mildly ill but active should go outside if the weather is not severe. Staff and children alike will feel refreshed when fresh air is part of the daily routine. Taking children outdoors daily, even in winter, can be a healthy part of their schedule, and is safe when clothing is appropriate. Now the weather is getting colder can you ensure that your child has a warm coat, hat, scarf and gloves.



### Learning curve holiday club.

From the 30th October – 3rd November 2017 Learning Curve Nursery Group we will be organising a holiday club at Clifton Lodge. The holiday club will involve a range of fun games, arts and crafts, sporting activities plus many more fun activities for children 4yrs – 8 yrs. Holiday club will be held at The pavilion, AKS. To book please email: [holidayclub@learningcurvenursery.co.uk](mailto:holidayclub@learningcurvenursery.co.uk) or alternatively call Helen Booth on: 01253 781921

### Dates for your diary

8 <sup>th</sup> October	five a side football.
26 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents open evening
22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Nursery closes at 18:00 for the Christmas period.
2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Nursery reopens at 08:00.