

Bluebell Lodge  
Newsletter  
June 2018



Learning Curve Summer Fair & Graduation:

This year our Summer Fair will be held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July. The fair will be held at AKS Lytham, Clifton Drive South, Lytham St Annes, FY8 1DT. We do hope you can join us for this fantastically, fun filled day. We will be holding various stalls such as Raffle, Tombola's, Hook-a-duck, Face painting, Yard games plus so much more! Over the coming weeks we will be holding some dress up days for donations for our Prize tombola and bottle tombola stalls.

During our Summer Fair we will be holding our Preschool Graduation, to ensure the day runs effectively each setting will be allocated a time which their graduation will take place. Bluebell Lodge's graduation time is 1.45pm, if we could kindly ask, please can all preschool children graduating be at the Pavilion for 1.15pm, this will give staff time to get children ready in their graduation hats and gowns. There will be a grass area for parent/carers and family members to sit and enjoy the graduation.



Tapestry: Observation changes

Over the coming months we will be adding a variety of headings to the entries made on your child's tapestry. In future the following headings will be used when observing the children.

**Newsflash** – This is a weekly entry like a diary entry about an activity your child enjoyed taking part in during their nursery week.

**WOW moment** – These moments will maybe added when your child has achieved for the first time or mastered something. I.e. separating from their main carer for the first time without any tears.

**Observation** – These will be in the form of a detailed observation that may follow an adult led activity. These may appear in your child's tapestry every 4 – 6 weeks.

Speed in the car park.

Please can all who use the nursery car park ensure they use it with due care and at a very low speed. Although this is a car park, it is the entrance and exit to the nursery, so it's very important to drive at slow speed and with caution to ensure a safe car park.



## Dress up days for the Summer Fair:

Over the coming month will be holding several dress ups days to collect donations for our Summer Fair and Graduation which are listed below:

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June** – Children are invited to nursery wearing red, white and blue. Donations greatly appreciated for our tombola.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June** – Children are invited to nursery wearing their football shirts/sportswear. Donations greatly appreciated for our bottle tombola.

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** – Children are invited to dress as their favourite hero. Donations appreciated for either of our tombola's.

All donations are very much appreciated, and we would like to thank parent/carers for your continuing support.

## September Spaces:

Childcare  
**Choices**

Supporting families  
with childcare costs

childcarechoices.gov.uk



HM Government

Spaces for September are now available. We are now taking bookings for September. If you have any siblings that you are wanting a space for in September or would like to increase your child's hours, then please see Anne in the office. Also, any children that turn three between now and September will be entitled to 11 hours childcare entitlement or the 22 hours. All children who are entitled to the 11 hours will automatically receive them. If you want to look at the 22 hours, then please apply on the following link:

<https://childcaresupport.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/applynow>

## Sports Kits

As I am sure you will have noticed some of our staff have been wearing our new sports kits. The curriculum has changed and now requires all children to be taking part in 3 hours of exercise per day. Our sports coaches and the staff are working very hard to ensure we achieve this at Bluebell Lodge. We also have a sports kit for children to purchase which consists of, shorts, t-shirt, jumper and coat for a cost of £40. Sizes start from age 2, if you would like to order please see Anne for more details.

## Sandgrown Card.

Get your 'Sandgrown Card' to get discounts from approved partners such as 'Blackpool Tower Circus', 'Merlin Entertainments' and 'Blackpool Zoo'. Membership is free and available to Blackpool residents with a child 0-3 year of age only. To collect your card, go to a local Blackpool children's centre.



## Parents evening:

Our next Parents Evening will be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June 18:00 – 20:00, appointments can be made in the office with Anne. Preschool leaver's Parents Evening will be held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July 18:00 – 20:00, again appointments can be made for this in the office with Anne.

## Friends of Highfield Park

On Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June the Friends of Highfield Park are holding their annual Family Fun Day, they are also having a scarecrow competition which will be judged on the day. If you would like to enter all you need to do is take your entry along on the day. There will be stalls, refreshments, family entertainment, family races and much more. They hope you can pop along and join in with the fun of the day, the event will be running from 12:00 until 16:00.

### Dates to remember:

June 7<sup>th</sup> – Parents Evening 18:00 – 20:00

June 14<sup>th</sup> – Ramadan (Last Day)

June 15<sup>th</sup> – Eid-ul-Fitr

June 17<sup>th</sup> – Father's Day

June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Lytham Club Day

June 24<sup>th</sup> – Friends of Highfield Park Family Fun Day

July 5<sup>th</sup> – Pre-school Leavers Parents Evening 18:00 – 20:00

July 14<sup>th</sup> – Summer fair & Graduation at AKS