# **Welcome back**

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**term dates 2014**

**Open**

Wednesday 23rd April

**(Closed Mon 5th May)**

**(Closed Thursday 22nd May for local elections)**

 **Close**

Friday 23rd May

 **Open**

Monday 2nd June

 **Close**

Friday 18th July

 **Open**

Monday 8thSeptember

 **Close**

Friday 24th October

**Open**

Mon 3rd November

**Close**

Friday 19th December

April 2014

**LITTLE OWLS NEWSLETTER**

We hope you have had a good Easter break, and enjoyed all the Easter eggs! It’s back to another busy term and a big welcome to all our new families if you are worried about your child settling please ring or ask for us to txt you to keep you up-dated on how they are during the session/day. From past experience we usually find that the tears and upset don’t last for long once parents leave and as the pace of the sessions begin we nearly always find that children will settle and join in the activities, although this can be quite tentatively at first. If they become very distressed we will contact you. **Please note** **we will be closed on Monday 5th May for bank holiday and Thursday 22nd May due to the building being used for local elections.** We will be open for the May half term holiday club Tuesday 27th - Friday 30th.



**Collection of children**: Please note your child can only be collected by the person/s named on their confidential registration form. If someone different is collecting we must be notified in advance and the person collecting must know the password that was given on enrolment. If staff do not recognise the person collecting a child they will question who they are and ask for the password. This is for the safety of **all** children.

**NON- ATTENDANCE** if your child is to be absent for any reason please ring and let us know as we have to ensure that the attendance registers are complete for North Lincolnshire funding department. If there are regular unauthorised absences North Lincolnshire will withdraw your child’s funding.

**HOT LUNCHES** are proving to be very popular please note they must be ordered by 10.00 a.m. and must be paid for on arrival. Your child will still be able to bring a packed lunch if they do not want a hot meal. When providing a packed lunch for your child/children please try where possible to provide a healthy meal, ***ensure no sweets are put in your child’s lunch box and fruits such as grapes are cut up as these are a choking hazard if eaten whole.***

**2 YEAR CHECK** if you have been notified of your child’s two year check from the health visitor please let us know as soon as possible. Your child’s key person will also complete a 2 year check along with you and this will go into your child’s red book.

**CHANGE OF CLOTHES** please provide a change of clothes for your child at every session. Children like to get involved in messy play & this will sometimes mean a change of clothes are needed. If your child is changed into Little owls spare clothes please return them as soon as possible. Please remember to name all removable items of clothing especially coats and anything else that is brought into Nursery.

 **NAPPIES** if your child is in nappies or pull ups please provide spare ones along with wipes and nappy bags in their bag.

**FEE PAYMENTS** please ensure your child’s fees are paid on time we are a small business and have to also meet our outgoings on time, we do not like having to charge additional fees for arrears but will do so if necessary.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR TELEPHONE CONTACT NUMBER** please notify us immediately of any change in contact details.

**INFECTIOUS ILLNESS** if your child has an infection such as diarrhea or sickness please keep them away from nursery for at least 48hrs and notify us of this as soon as possible.

 **DOLLY PARTON’S IMAGINATION LIBRARY** if youhave not already signed up for the imagination library please ask Sharon or Kaye for the details. All Pre-school children ages birth to five who are residents of North Lincolnshire are eligible. This comprises of a 60 volume set of books beginning with *The Tale of* *Peter Rabbit* each month a new, carefully selected book will be delivered to your home and addressed to your child. Best of all it’s a FREE GIFT so there is no cost to your family.

**NURSERY TIMES** please ensure your child arrives and departs on the times you have been allocated. By arriving either too early or too late will result in you being charged extra as we have to adjust the staff according to the number of children present.

**CHILDREN’S LEARNING PROFILES** Over this next term staff will be approaching you as parent to discuss your child’s progress through the observations they have made. Please make time to look through and discuss these with your child’s key person as it is an important part of their learning journey.

**OUTDOOR PLAY AREA**: the children are loving being outside but please ensure you provide appropriate clothing i.e. coat/jacket on cooler days and wellies on rainy days. Please ensure you put your child’s name in their coats as well as Little Owls sweatshirts T shirts.

**SUN PROTECTION** now the weather is (hopefully) getting warmer please ensure your child has had sun cream applied before coming to Nursery on warm days along with clothing that covers their shoulders. We will provide a sun hat. No children are allowed outside without a sun hat or sun protection.

**SOCIAL NETWORKING FACEBOOK** It has come to our attention some parents are “discussing” Little Owls Pre-school on face book and have identified some children by name this is both unfair and breaks confidentiality if you have anything you need to discuss then please speak to us first.

**2 YEAR OLD FUNDING** the criteria to meet the 2 year old funding will change for new applicants in September 2014. For those families who have not been eligible before you may now be entitled to this. For further information contact Family Information Services **01724 296629**