



Ladybirds Newsletter  
Term 5 Week 1 w/c 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Welcome Back!

**Our topic... "Five little men in a flying saucer"**

We will be using 'five little men in a flying saucer' as the main theme for our topic this term. The children really enjoy this song and enjoy talking and learning about the planets, stars and our solar system. They will be creating a wonderful space scene for our wall display, this week they will be making stars and planets which will be displayed and start our topic wall. If any children have any space themed books they would like to bring in to share at circle time we would really enjoy sharing these with them. We will also be carrying on with our Storycise sessions at circle time this week.

**New Starters:**

We would like to welcome Casey, Harry, Raphael, Anna, Allegra and Lincoln to Ladybirds this week, we hope you settle in quickly and soon feel part of the Ladybirds family.

**School Places:**

If you haven't already informed us could you please let Mrs Defeo know which school your child will be attending in September.

**Secret Life Of 4&5 year Olds:**

The Channel 4 series are currently looking for more children and parents to take part in their next series. If you are interested there is a flyer on our bulletin board with all the information you will need to apply.

**Sun Hats and Sun Cream:**

As we are finally having some sunny weather could you please make sure your child has a sun hat and has sun cream applied before being dropped at Pre-school, if your child is attending all day could you please leave a bottle of sun cream with them so it can be reapplied during the afternoon session. Many Thanks

**30 Hour Funding:**

A gentle reminder to all parents if your child receives the 30 hr funding from the government, you need to reconfirm your eligibility code every three months so we are able to claim for their hours. Many Thanks

**Donation Request:**

This term we will be planting sunflowers with the children, could we ask each child to please bring in an empty 4 pint milk carton to make the plant pot with. We are also in desperate need for extra junk modelling supplies, maybe a bag of recycling or whatever you have extra at home would be wonderful. Many Thanks

**Wow moments:**

Thank you to all of you who have been using our 'wow' moments board in the foyer, we have been taking the slips in at circle time and sharing them with the children. It gives them a wonderful sense of achievement.

**Reminder:**

Could we remind all parents that older siblings are not permitted in the playroom at drop off or pick up unless they are accompanied by their parent/carer. Many Thanks

**Nappy Changing:**

If your child currently wears nappies at Ladybirds, could we please request that there is a packet of baby wipes in your child's bag please for when we change them. Many thanks

**Job Vacancy:**

We are currently advertising for a new Pre-school Assistant. 23hrs per week on a rota basis, all applicants must be level 3 qualified. If you know of anybody who would be interested, then please either pass our phone number or e-mail over. Alternatively, you or they can come and pick an application form up from Avril in the office.

**Named Items:**

Could you please ensure that all your child's belongings are clearly named when coming into Pre-school, including any bags and backpacks. This will ensure that no confusion is made at home time. Also could all children have a spare pair of named wellies in Pre-school. Many Thanks

**Snack time:**

We are running extremely low on snack donations, if any parents/carers are able to make any small donations of some healthy snacks in the new term we would be extremely grateful.

**Policy Of The Week:**

We will start reviewing our new policies for this term next week.

Please remember that our door is always open and if you have any issues or concerns, we are always happy to speak with you.  
Thank You, From the Ladybirds team.