



Harvest Celebrations



Friday 29th September

Harvest special for all **morning children**.

We invite all parents of morning children to our Harvest Celebration in church – please see invitation for details. If you are able to donate any tinned food items for your children to bring to nursery on that day, they will be much appreciated by those in need in our local community.

Allotment Trip

Our trip to a local allotment will take place for **morning children** on



Monday 2nd October

Please see letter for further details.

Request for old birthday cards.....

Over the coming weeks we are going to be working on the children's scissor skills.

A wonderful way for them to experiment with scissors is by snipping card, and they always enjoy snipping old birthday cards – they are able to snip around the edges or cut out aspects of the pictures, depending on their ability.

They love to talk about the pictures whilst they work.

Unfortunately, our stocks are running low so if any of you, or friends or family have recently had a birthday, please do not throw away the cards when you have finished your celebrations.

It would be much appreciated if you would bring them to nursery for the children to use.

Many thanks

Important notice regarding Music Time

We are beginning our popular Music Time sessions **for morning children** after our summer break. These are structured music sessions led by a qualified music teacher whose services we buy in. She is early years experienced and the children who took part in these sessions in previous years have thoroughly enjoyed them. Rhythm and other music skills are also pre-reading skills, so the sessions also help children acquire knowledge to progress in letters and sounds.

These sessions will be run in their room groups of up to 11 children on Tuesday mornings before half term, commencing on 26th September, with the exception of week commencing 9th October when the session will be on Wednesday. Sessions will last for 30 minutes each. We will notify you after half term of the sessions planned before Christmas.

Due to the cost of the teacher, we will charge £2 per session, which will be payable half termly alongside café payments.

If you do not wish your child to take part in the sessions, please let Jen, Clare or Emma know as soon as possible.

Advance Notice – Autumn Walk

Our Autumn Walk trip is planned for **all morning and afternoon children** to **Wollescote Park** on **Monday 9th October**

Letters will come out to you over the next couple of weeks with details and a reply slip, to be returned as soon as possible.

Uniform



Lots of new uniform has been purchased, so please be sure that it is **clearly labelled** either in indelible ink or with an iron or sew on tag.

Could you also please write your child's name in their **coats** and **shoes**, as many children have the same style, size and width-fitting shoes at this age and confusion can easily arise, especially during role-play situations.

Outdoor Play

At Little Lambs we encourage children to spend time outdoors daily, as time spent engaged in physical activity in the fresh air is essential for healthy children. With this in mind, we ask parents to bring appropriate outdoor clothing for your child. **Warm, waterproof coats are a must each day** and if you have one, please send an all-in-one waterproof suit for your child to wear to keep them dry in all weathers.

Café

We would like to remind parents of **Early Education Funded children ONLY** (the funding that each child is entitled to from the term after their third birthday) that a contribution of £2.50 per week is payable for a lovely variety of healthy snacks and fruit/vegetables daily.



Payments to nursery

Please pay any snack contributions or fees by bank transfer if possible.

Our bank details are as follows:

Account name: Bethel Chapel

Account number: 00757698

Sort Code: 30 93 75

Only if a bank transfer is not possible, then pay by cash using a blue envelope in entrance. This will avoid any mix-ups with cash given to staff on the door.



Please complete envelope with child's name, amount and what cash is for.

*Sorry we cannot accept cheques under £30 due to high bank charges for them. Any cheques over this amount should be made payable to **'Bethel Chapel'***

Thank you for your help with this matter.

For This Half Term



Snack Contributions

8 weeks @ £2.50 = **£20.00**

Music Time

5 weeks @ £2.00 = **£10**



This half term is

6th September – 27th October

Please pay by your last session in September

We would be grateful if the **£30.00** could be paid **by bank transfer** for this half term (6th September – 27th October) before the end of September.

Please note, unlike schools, we do not receive a free fruit allowance from the government.

Café Menus (incl. allergens contained in *bold*)

This term our 5 daily cafe menus are detailed below and we hope your child will enjoy these healthy food options daily. Special dietary requirements are catered for.

Menu Day 1

Wheat Crackers (**gluten**)
Soft Cheese (**milk**)
Vitalite
Peaches

Menu Day 2

Wrap (**gluten**)
Houmous (**sesame** seeds)
Cucumber

Menu Day 3

Rice Cakes (**gluten**)
Soft Cheese
Vitalite
Cucumber

Menu Day 4

Wheat Crackers (**gluten**)
Cheese - Cheddar (**milk**)
Vitalite
Apple

Menu Day 5

Malt loaf(**gluten**)
Vitalite
Banana

