

# Busy Lizzie's Newsletter – October 2018



## Important Dates!

Halloween week – 29<sup>th</sup>  
October – 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
Halloween dress up - 31<sup>st</sup> Oct  
Photos – 30<sup>th</sup> October, 1<sup>st</sup> &  
2<sup>nd</sup> November  
Caring for Pets - 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Zoolab - 5<sup>th</sup> November @ 9.30  
Diwali week – 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> Nov  
End of term 14<sup>th</sup> December

Hannah will be photographing the children individually on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October, Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Parents will be provided with a proof sheet/order form if they wish to purchase. Please remember not to dress your child in white clothes on these days- thank you!

## Welcome to our October Newsletter!

The weather has been good lately though it will probably change to more Autumnal soon, so can you please ensure your child has a coat with a hood (or a separate hat), wellies which are all labelled so that if we wish we can take the children to the nearby park or train bridge. Please remember to check your child's box at the end of the day so that you can enjoy their pictures and creations too!

## This Month...

We are continuing to settle children into Busy Lizzie's and starting to organise trips out of the setting. We are also looking at the changing seasons, so if you go on nature walks with your child, feel free to bring some things in that you have found together or print/send us over some pictures via Whatsapp so that we can chat to your child about what they found or enjoyed with their families. We are also exploring Halloween at the end of the month, in which we are encouraging children to dress up on 31<sup>st</sup> October, and planning lots of Halloween themed activities too! The week after we will be thinking about looking after pets during bonfire and firework displays, so if anyone has any pets they can bring in that would be great! Please let Liz or Hannah or Claire know if you can and what animal you are able to show the children.

## Did you know....

Creating time to talk and listen to your child (mealtimes can be a great time to do this) can improve your child's vocabulary and help them feel valued!

## Speak to us about....

- Busy Lizzie's uniform – if you would like to purchase polo shirts or jumpers for your child we have a stock available
- Funding – you may be entitled to 2 year old Free Entitlement Funding and some parents may also be entitled to 30 hours Extended FE funding
- What your child has been doing – this could be new experiences, things they have learnt or things they are currently struggling with
- Any hobbies or skills you have that you may want to share with the children or if you know anyone with an interesting career that may wish to come in for a visit
- If you have any worries or concerns, please come and find a member of staff who will be happy to chat with you!

Lunchboxes – if you wish to provide a spare sandwich bag to pop all your child's lunch wrappers/left over food items in, we are happy to do so, leaving this in the lunchbox so that you can see what your child has eaten or not eaten in a more hygienic manner!

## Reminders:

- **Fees – If you pay for your child to attend please make sure you do this on time!**
- Please provide a healthy lunchbox (no nuts or sweets please), water bottle, labelled bag with nappies & wipes (if applicable), a spare set of clothes (even if your child is toilet trained) a jumper & coat
- Children are no longer allowed to bring in toys from home, as they can get lost/broken which can be upsetting.
- Weather – please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather including footwear and that they have coats etc with them when needed
- **Label - everything! We are not able to remember what things belong to what child and your child may not always be able to tell us themselves. In particular ensure bags, lunchboxes and water bottles are labelled.**
- Inform – please let us know if your child is going to be absent and why, if they have had an accident at home, if you've moved or changed your phone number or if someone we haven't seen before is collecting your child.
- Phones – please do NOT use your mobile phone while you are within Busy Lizzie's – this is necessary to ensure the safety of the children in our care.
- Clothing – children will get messy so please do not send them in their best clothes!