



Newsletter – April 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

It feels like Spring is finally here as we now embark in a pleasant weather change. Please continue to wrap our Stars up nice and warm with appropriate footwear as we aim to begin using the lawn area again throughout the next few weeks. We have been looking at Life Cycles with the children and our focus texts are 'Duck in the Truck and Charlie Chick goes to school. The children will continue making observations in the changes in weather throughout this time.

Price Increase: September 2018

In September 2018, we will be increasing our prices by £2 per day. This is to ensure we can continue offering funded places to our stars, inclusive of 15-hour funding and the 30-hour funding. Please see the attached letter for more information.

30 Hour Funding Codes

When applying for 30-hour funding, you will be given a code which is needed to give to me at Creative Stars. The 30-hour funding code that you receive is a code which you will need to keep reconfirming throughout the time in which you receive funding.

If your code falls out of eligibility whilst your child is in attendance at Creative Stars, your payment plan will revert back to normal fees.

We have worked closely with parents to ensure that this has not happened to date, and so, urge all parents with 30-hour funding to be vigilant with keeping your codes active. Without a working code, the local authority will not administer funding.

Parent Presentations

Many thanks to all parents and carers who were able to attend the Starting School Presentation and the 2-year-old progress checks presentation. There are handouts and leaflets still available for those who were unable to attend.

Dates for your Diary

- Friday 20th April – Little Urchins Deadline
- Monday 7th May 2018 – Bank Holiday – Nursery Closed
- Monday 28th May 2018 – Bank Holiday – Nursery Closed
- Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June – Half term 15 hr funded places only

Little Urchins Photo Shoot

We will be sending the proofs back to Little Urchins this week. If you have not brought in your proofs and would still like to purchase pictures, please do so before Friday.



Wow Stars

All staff contribute to the observing and assessment of your children whilst present at Creative Stars. We also liaise very closely with our parents and carers about the achievements of your children at home. A great way of evidencing your children's progress at home is through the use of Wow Stars. We ask that you collect a sheet from nursery and let us know of any achievements your child has at home. We can then celebrate these in circle time sessions and also use the information to form part of your child's assessment data and observations held on site.

