



Newsletter – August 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Last year, Leon and I were eagerly awaiting Ofsted visiting to finalise Creative Stars opening in September. Since that point we have met so many lovely children and families - as well as creating a team to be proud of. Thank you to everybody who has been a part of the Creative Stars journey so far and we look forward to working with you throughout the new academic year ahead of us!

Staffing Update

It is with a saddened heart that I inform you that Lucinda has left the Creative Stars team. Due to significant personal circumstances, Lucinda is unable to commit herself to the nursery. We are all sad that she has left; however, being aware of her circumstances, I fully understand why she was unable to stay. She sends her love to you all (especially our baby stars) and we wish her all the best on her future endeavours.

I will be interviewing for Lucinda's replacement with the aim to have a new member of staff in baby room for September. Until then, between Gladys and myself, the baby stars will be in very good hands.

Sugar Smart



We have signed up to Lewisham's Sugar Smart Pledge and now have Sugar Smart status. As part of our pledge, we committed to children only drinking milk, water and smoothies as part of a snack or tea time. In addition to this, we promote healthy choices such as brushing teeth and eating a well-balanced diet.



Interactive Music Making Award

Creative Stars has been named as one of seven care establishments to receive an Award place on Music as Therapy International's 'Interactive Music-Making' (IMM) training course for those working with young children.

Music as Therapy International is a Lambeth-based registered charity who believe passionately in the power of music to make the most of people's potential.

Alexia Quin, Director of Music as Therapy International, and Co-Founder of IMM, said: "We are extremely pleased to be able to fill all seven Awards placements on the course with nurseries like Creative Stars, who have shown a clear commitment to providing the best possible service to their local communities."

The training begins in September with the aim to implement in the setting from January 2018.

Child Places September 2017

I will be sending out a personalised letter to all parents regarding your child's days of attendance, new prices and invoicing throughout the month of August. We are currently processing all funding paperwork and for funded places (15 hour and 30 hour), a full breakdown of how your childcare costs are calculated will be provided.

We're Going on a Bear Hunt!

With recent circumstances stopping our visits and trips, we have decided to start the Bear Hunt work in September! All trips and further work on this project will re-commence during this time.

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 12th August – 1st Birthday Party
from 2.00pm – 6.00pm

Monday 21st August – Friday 1st September – Summer Holidays

New Academic Year Start Date: Monday 4th September 2017

