

Artemis Newsletter May 2019



Characteristic of Effective Learning of the Month

In each newsletter we will focus on an area of the Characteristics of Effective Learning (CoEL). The CoEL are part of the Early Years Foundation Stage, they focus on HOW children learn alongside the areas of learning which focus on what children are learning.

Choosing ways to do things (Creating and Thinking Critically - THINKING)

This area of the CoEL may be observed in a child; Planning and making decisions about how to approach a task, solve a problem and reach a goal; Checking how well their activities are going; Changing strategy as needed and Reviewing how well the approach worked.

For children to be creative and critically think, we need to provide children with lots of opportunities to work things out on their own or with others; this will develop their problem solving skills. At times, adults will need to know when to intervene and scaffold their children's learning. As we know young children observe what is happening around them and they absorb the information. As children begin to engage fully in activities, they will start asking questions about how things work. At this stage, adults need to be skilful in asking open-ended questions to help extend the learning opportunities e.g 'What do you think might happen next?' or 'how are you going to do it?'



Ahoy There Little Pirates!

Pirate Week at Artemis

8th July 2019 - 12th July 2019

We will be celebrating Hasting Pirates' Day and having pirate parties, making treasure maps and hunting for treasure with the children. We will be making our telescopes to see if we can spot any pirates coming to shore and visiting the beach to Pirate Spot.

Your children are welcome to come dressed as pirates and on Friday

12th July we will be having a



Bring Your Parent to Nursery Week

Although you are always welcome anytime. We would like to invite you to come and spend some time with your child at nursery. You can see how beautifully they all play and learn together and it would be great for you to read a story with the children.

You are welcome to join us for breakfast, lunch or tea too so you can taste the beautiful food on offer.

Monday 24th June 2019 - Friday 28th June 2019

Please let us know if you will be joining us.

We have had a couple of cases of head lice at the Nursery and would ask you all to check your child's hair thoroughly. We need to ALL check our hair and treat if any headlice are found. For us to be successful in stopping the spread any further we ALL need to do this.

If any headlice are found the best way to treat them is to use conditioner and a nit comb and comb through your child's hair immediately. Please be aware that this will need to be done until all the eggs have hatched and it is not enough just to do it once, this could take up to a week.

We appreciate that this can be both costly and time consuming but is necessary to ensure we minimise future cases.

School Leavers

This is a very exciting time of year for all our children going on to 'big school'. It has been lovely watching them all develop and grow into the confident children they are today. If there is anything you need us to do, before they transition please let us know.

We will be forwarding their summative assessments onto their new school, which will give their new teacher the information about their current level of development. If you could let us know as soon as possible the School your child is going to then we can ensure that we send these to the correct School.

You will have sight of this before we pass it on and will have the opportunity to add any information you want the school to know. These will be ready to share at Parent's Evening.

It would be lovely to see them in their uniforms and to hear how they are doing if you are ever passing.

Children's Art Week



Let's get creative!

Monday 10th June 2019 - Friday 14th June 2019

During Children's Art Week we will see children, parents and members of staff being inspired, engaged and entertained by art.

If you have any abstract pieces of Art around your home or around your community then we would love for you to share it with us. We will be creating our very own pieces and putting them on display for you to see.

We will also be visiting Hastings Museum and The Jerwood.

Funding Information

15 hours funding for 2 year olds.

You could be entitled to 2 year funding, 15 hours free a week. Check the eligibility criteria on the East Sussex County Council website - 2 year funding. If you are eligible for this then the hours can be accessed across 3 ams or 3 pms or a day and a half. Two year funding starts the term after their second birthday.

15 hours funding for 3 & 4 year olds.

Three and four year funding will remain universal as 15 hours and can be accessed across 3 ams or 3 pms or a day and a half. They are entitled to this funding the term after their third birthday and they can attend this term time only or part of additional sessions.

30 hours funding

If you are living and working in England, 3 and 4 year olds may be entitled to 30 hours childcare if you fit the eligibility criteria. They are entitled to this the term after their third birthday.

If you require further information or you would like help to apply for any of the above, then please ask your nursery manager.

Picnic in the Park

We would like to invite you to Alexandra Park on **Saturday 3rd August 2019 from 11.00am till 2.00pm** for a picnic with fun and games in the park.

It would be a great opportunity for you to meet your child's friends and their families as well as get to know other parents of Artemis Nursery.

We will also be celebrating our older children going off to Primary School and presenting them with a certificate and book and it would be lovely to all be part of this.

Nursery Photographs

We have a photographer coming in to take group pictures of all our children who are going to school in September 2019 to create a class photo for you as a lovely memory. She will only be attending between 10.30am - 2.00pm to catch both morning and afternoon children attending on that day.

If this is not a day that your child usually attends then we are asking you to come along between 12.00pm-1.00pm, and we will gather in small groups to have your pictures done as quickly as possible.

Artemis St Leonards 3rd July 2019

Artemis Hastings 1st July 2019

Artemis Hollington 2nd July 2019

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If you cannot contact me at the nurseries it usually means I 'm in meetings, but you are more than welcome to phone my mobile and leave a message and I shall return your call as soon as I can.

If your query relates directly to your child's nursery then below are the contact numbers you need for each setting. If your child is not coming into nursery, we ask that you phone the nursery to inform them at your earliest convenience.

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Date for your Diaries

Parent's Evening

Tuesday 2nd July 2019

From 6.00pm - 8.00pm

This will be a chance for you to meet with your child's Key Worker and find out how they are learning & developing at nursery.

A time sheet will go up outside your child's classroom the week commencing the 10th June 2019 for you to add your name to.

If you are unable to make this day then please speak to your child's Key Worker who will be happy to arrange an alternative day and time convenient for everyone.

If your child's key worker is on annual leave on this day they will talk to you individually to make alternative appointments.

World Environment Day 5th June 2019

This term we are having a big focus on our environments and recycling. We will be visiting our local beaches and parks and doing our bit to clean up our environments. We have purchased recycling bins for each site for the children to start sorting their plastics from their paper and their cardboards.

We will be looking at the effect dropping litter has on our wildlife and our worlds and the importance of taking your rubbish home.

On the 5th June 2019 we are encouraging everyone to 'Go Green'. Children can wear as much green as they would like.



Toilet Training

When your child is toilet training at nursery it is important to provide lots of knickers/pants and trousers so that we can change your child if the need arises.

It is no bother for us at all if your child has an accident whilst at nursery, but they can become confused and upset if we have to put them back into a nappy because we don't have enough clothes to change them into.

We encourage children to explore their environment and engage in as many activities as they can during their time with us at nursery. So we ask that **all** children should have spare clothes on their peg in their Artemis bag at all times. If they have come home in their change of clothes, these will need to be replaced.

Please can we also have enough nappies and wipes for your child's time at nursery for all those children wearing nappies.

Father's Day Week

We would like to invite our Artemis Dads, Uncles and Grandads to join us during the week of

Monday 10th June 2019 from 3.00pm

for fun activities with your child and their friends and then to join us for a Ploughman's Tea.

Please let your child's Keyworker know if you are joining us.

