LITTLE OAKS MONTESSORI KINDERGARTEN NEWSLETTER TERM 4, 2025





Dear Families.

This term our theme is 'Famous Artists'! The children will explore the works of great artists such as Picasso, Van Gogh, Monet, Matisse, O'Keeffe, Kahlo, and Kandinsky. Each artist will help us discover a different element of art, from shapes and colours to textures, patterns, and feelings. Through hands on activities, nature observation, storytelling, and even science experiments, the children will experience how artists see and express the world. Through this topic, we want to encourage curiosity, creativity, and joy in learning as we journey together through art and culture.

We would love to invite 1-2 parents per class to conduct a short Mini Art Workshop. You might share a simple art idea (like stamping, marbling, or sponge painting) and then the children will explore it themselves. If you would like to volunteer, please drop us an email.

If you have any special storybooks, artefacts, or items related to our theme, we would love for you to send them in for sharing sessions or Show and Tell.

Thank you for your continued support. We are also looking forward to our yearend annual concert this term!

Programmes

If you would like to make any changes to your child's current schedule, please contact our administrator Ms. Rahma as soon as possible. Most of our programmes or requests for additional days may involve a waiting list, so working in advance will allow us time to accommodate requests.

Punctuality

In order for your child to reap the full benefits of school, punctuality is essential. It also helps us to organise our day and settle the children as a group without the interruption of latecomers. Please be on time for pick-up and inform the school if you are running late.

Immunisation Requirement

The ECDA and MOH require all students at pre-school to be immunised for measles and up to date with their immunisation schedule. Please ensure that the school has a copy of your child's immunisation records. A doctor's letter will be required if your child has delayed their immunisation schedule for medical reasons.

Our Medical Policy

Please take note that all children who are not well and presenting flu like symptoms or signs of a contagious illness should not attend school. Children presenting only mild symptoms should stay home until they are symptom free for 24 hours before their return. Children presenting more severe symptoms and have missed more than 5 days of school will need to see a doctor. All children who have recovered from flu like symptoms are strongly encouraged to do an ART test before returning to school.

Covid-19 Measures

We are mindful that COVID-19 situation in Singapore may change at any time and need to remain vigilant. In line with the national posture, masks will be optional for staff and children. However, if a staff/child becomes unwell in the school, they are advised to exercise social responsibility to wear mask and promptly leave the premises to seek medical attention. The school will need to be informed of any household members who have tested positive for COVID-19 so that we are able to monitor more closely the health of the staff/child.

No Nuts Policy

The primary goal of a "no nuts policy" here at Little Oaks is to create a safe environment for children/staff with life-threatening nut allergies, who can experience severe reactions (anaphylaxis) from even trace amounts of nuts. This means no bringing in or consuming foods containing nuts, including peanuts, tree nuts (almonds, cashews, etc.), nut butters, or products that may contain traces of nuts. Please be mindful about the food items you pack for your child's lunch/snack.

Birthday Celebrations/Farewells

Birthday Celebrations/Farewells are exciting occasions for our children. If your child is planning to hand out invitations at school to his/her birthday party, please make sure to include an invitation for everyone in the class. We need to be sensitive to our children's feelings and we do not want any child to feel excluded. Otherwise, kindly hand out invitations outside of school.

Our children are welcome to celebrate their birthday/farewell here at school with their classmates. We will do a birthday walk for your child. Kindly provide us photographs so that we can share your child's growth in class.

After the birthday walk, we will serve the children popcorn and ice-cream/sorbet. We **strongly encourage you to not** send cakes, cupcakes or other treats. This will apply for farewells too. However, if you want to send edible treats, it has to be individually wrapped and you need to let us know the ingredients used. Some children have dietary restrictions/allergies and we do not want to exclude them.

Last Date for Withdrawal (Term 1, 2026)

Please take note that if you would like to withdraw your child from school, a withdrawal letter is required by

Friday, 17th October 2025

This letter will serve as one month's notice before you withdraw your child from our program. Any withdrawal notice after the stipulated dates will mean that your refundable deposit will be forfeited.

Important Dates to Remember

Children's Day Dress-Up Party: Thursday, 2.10.2025

Children's Day Holiday: Friday, 3.10.2025

Deepavali Dress-Up Party: Friday, 17.10.2025

Deepavali Holiday: Monday & Tuesday, 20.10.2025 &

21.10.2025

Halloween Dress-Up Party: Friday, 31.10.2025

Full Dress Concert Rehearsal: Friday, 21.11.2025

Year-End Annual Concert: Saturday, 22.11.2025

Last Day of Term 4: Friday, 21.11.2025

Holiday Program:

1st Week - Tuesday to Friday, 25.11.2025 to 28.11.2025 2nd Week - Tuesday to Friday, 2.12.2025 to 5.12.2025

Reminder: Term 1, 2026 will resume on Monday, 5.1.2026

Gentle Reminders

- Library bags will be given out weekly from Week 2 to Week 9. The class teachers will hold on to the library bags in Week 1 & Week 10.
- There will be no weekly activities (Show & Tell, Cookery, Playdough & etc.)
 during the first and last weeks of the term. In the first week, we use the
 time to introduce new materials in the environment. In the last week, we
 use the time to do revision and an assessment. This will allow us to better
 prepare for our children's learning needs.
- Kindly keep your prams closed if you intend to leave them along the driveway. Arrange the prams neatly as we use the driveway space during our playtime.