**Dates:**

Wednesday 5th September **Start of term**

Friday 14th September Lighthouse request for all OCC funding forms to be returned.

Monday 17th September Oak Room Open classroom 4.30 to 5.30

Monday 24th SeptemberRiverside Open classroom 4.30 to 5.30

Saturday 29th September Staff Training 9 to 12 – all staff

Monday 1st October Woodland Open classroom 4.30 to 5.30

Monday 8th October Open Morning 9.30 to 11.30

Thursday 18th October Open Morning 9.30 to 11.30

22nd to 26th October Half term - Seagulls available

Monday 12th November Woodland Parents day

Tuesday 13th November Oak Room Parents day

Wednesday 14th November Riverside Parents day

Wednesday 12th December Oak Room Christmas event

Thursday 13th December Woodland Christmas event

Friday 14th December Riverside Christmas event

Friday 21st December End of term 12.15 finish

24th Dec. to 4th Jan NO Seagulls available over the Christmas break.

**Autumn 2018**

We trust you have had a good Summer. We look forward to hearing where the children have been, and welcoming new families to The Lighthouse in September. Than you for our gifts and your kind words at the end of the Summer Term.

We start school on Wednesday, 5th September when fees are due (or a payment plan) and notice is required if leaving at the end of term (21st December 2018). Please note that Half Term is from 22nd to 26th October (Seagulls will be available). The end of term is Friday, 21st December when we will close at 12.15pm. There will be no Seagulls as the OCC term dates and holidays fall in an odd way.

Nursery Education Funding: The Lighthouse offers funded hours from 10am to 4pm, term time only. Funding forms have to be completed and signed each term. A form will be in your child’s tray where appropriate. We ask you to complete them by 14th September.

Contacting the school: Please do note that is best to ring The Lighthouse (01865 891712) from 8am if you have an urgent message. Emails will be checked from 8.30am. Likewise, in the evening do ring from 5pm to 5.30pm to get messages to staff.

Lunches: A reminder that no sweets or chocolate are allowed and that any pouches of tubes of yoghurt puree will be decanted into a bowl to be eaten with a spoon. A ‘Lunches at The Lighthouse’ handout is available in the entrance for more guidelines.

Topics: Ourselves and The Sky (plus Christmas!) are the topics this term. Enclosed is a list of topics. We welcome any parents who could help with topics – visits, materials, books, etc, please say!

Changes in family circumstances: Please do inform us of any changes (health issues, telephone numbers, addresses …)

Notebooks: Please use the notebooks daily, to let us know about your child’s current interests and achievements.

Staff: Please remember we work together as a small team. The main rooms are staffed as below but you may see other member of the team covering rooms and before and after main sessions times.

**Oak Room and Field View**: Kerry with Katie W, Emma and Sarah, and Cassie in the afternoons.

**Woodland**: Jodie with Ewa and Cassie, and Helen in the afternoons.

**Riverside**: Marie with Jess and Charlotte, and Phoebe in the afternoons.

A full list of staff and their qualifications is displayed in the entrance.