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## OK thanks

## Thanks

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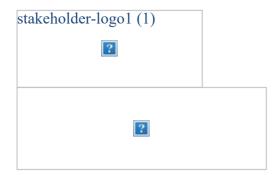
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Hi

actually sent out the letter to the parents and carers this morning. She and have been involved in the massive planning exercise that has led to this and she has been fantastic, as has Fine to share with on a strictly confidential basis- she may know too given the planning that has gone on in the background, and continues as we try to place the children.

## **Head of Education**

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From:

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Hi

Thanks for sharing this. Can I ask, is it permissible for me to share this with and in respect of their role and involvement in Early Years and on the understanding it's strictly confidential?

Thanks

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From:

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Morning Everyone

I wanted to pass on some information that's going to schools this morning along with a host of others who will be affected by this. I wanted you to know because it's essential that none of us, including HTs, get into any discussion with parents and carers from our own perspectives about this, but that they contact the numbers on the letter. There's going to be widespread anxiety about this as it affects a lot of families.

Please don't forward this email, and please let me know if you hear anything about this.

Dear Head Teacher

I am writing to advise you that as from 7 October 2022, East Lothian Council will not be providing funding to the Bright Stars Nursery Group Ltd for them to offer 1140 hours of early learning and childcare.

This decision applies to the company's four settings in East Lothian: Pear Tree Church Street, Meadowpark and West Road in Haddington, and Pumpkin Patch in North Berwick. Funded places will end on 7 October 2022.

Families can choose to stay with Bright Stars Group Ltd or can source alternative provision from a council setting or another funded provider in East Lothian. Families have been provided with contacts for the Early Years team, details of spaces in council facilities and an application form.

As this relates to the council's contracts, **you must not discuss this with families**. Any enquiries regarding spaces within your setting or applications **must be** directed to the Early Years Team on the following dedicated details:

Email <u>childcareinfo@eastlothian.gov.uk</u> 07967 776 979 / 07580 302 963 / 07703 191 174 (Monday to Friday 09.30am-4pm)

Information is also available at www.eastlothian.gov.uk/child-care-info

If asked, please advise any callers that: "All placement requests and information on spaces is being coordinated by our central team on dedicated numbers to ensure that families receive the full package of support available to them."

Your help with this matter is appreciated.

Kind regards