



Summer 2010 Newsletter

¡Hola! Welcome to the Summer 2010 issue of the Little Linguists newsletter. I hope that it has been a successful term so far and that you and your child have learnt lots of Spanish ready for the summer holidays.

In this newsletter you will find an update on our current group classes, details of the other services that we provide and some summer colouring in Spanish. There are also the dates for next term (not that I want to think about autumn yet!).

I hope you enjoy the newsletter and thank you for your continued support.

**Free activity pack
for the whole term
worth £7.50 if you
book and pay before
1st August!**

Update

- **General group classes**

Next term the group classes will continue in Baldock, Letchworth, Royston, Harpenden and Hertford for children from 3 years. We now also have a dedicated Key Stage 2 class in Royston on Mondays at 5.15pm. Places are very limited in some of the classes, so if you know of anyone who may be interested for September or if you have a younger child that you would like to join one of the pre-school groups, please let me know as soon as possible so that I can pencil them in or put them on the waiting list, depending on the group.

The classes in St Albans will be starting in September and I will be contacting those of you on the waiting list in the near future. There are one or two spaces still available so if you know of anyone who might be interested in their children learning Spanish and who live in the St Albans area, do let them know and, if they join a group, you will get a free lesson.

- **Activity packs**

As you know, we have now introduced activity packs for the majority of the groups. I hope that you have been enjoying using them and that having all the activities and materials together in one place, has made everything easier for you. The cost of the packs remains at £7.50 (+ £1.50 p&p) per pack which, for an average 12 week term, works out at just over 60p per class. As with last term, the activity packs will be sent out **free of charge** – with just the £1.50 charge for postage – if you book and pay for next term before **August 1st**.

- **French and Spanish in day nurseries**

If your child attends a day nursery or pre-school and you are not able to attend any of our group sessions, why not check if they would be interested in offering a French or Spanish club? Little Linguists can set up and run language clubs in these early years settings very easily and requiring minimum administration from the management and/or staff.

- **Primary school Spanish (and French)**

Little Linguists also runs Spanish (and French) clubs in primary schools across Hertfordshire and Essex. These run either at lunchtime or after school. We are also able to run Spanish or French in teachers' preparation time as part of the school day. If you think that your child's primary school may be interested in any of these options, please let me know and we can take it from there.

- **Private tuition and exam coaching (GCSE, AS and A Level)**

Our network of tutors has grown considerably and we can now offer a comprehensive range of tuition in all major European languages across all age groups, all levels of ability and for all purposes. Our rates are extremely competitive so please pass on our details if you have any friends who may be interested. The website www.thelanguageshop.org.uk is under construction and will be up and running very shortly – you will be able to find details of the full range of our services there.

We can also arrange private Little Linguists groups in Spanish or French, if you know of one or two other people who are interested in their children learning a second language. These groups can work out very cost effectively (even cheaper than the group classes!) so do contact me if you are interested.

Younger Siblings and classroom management

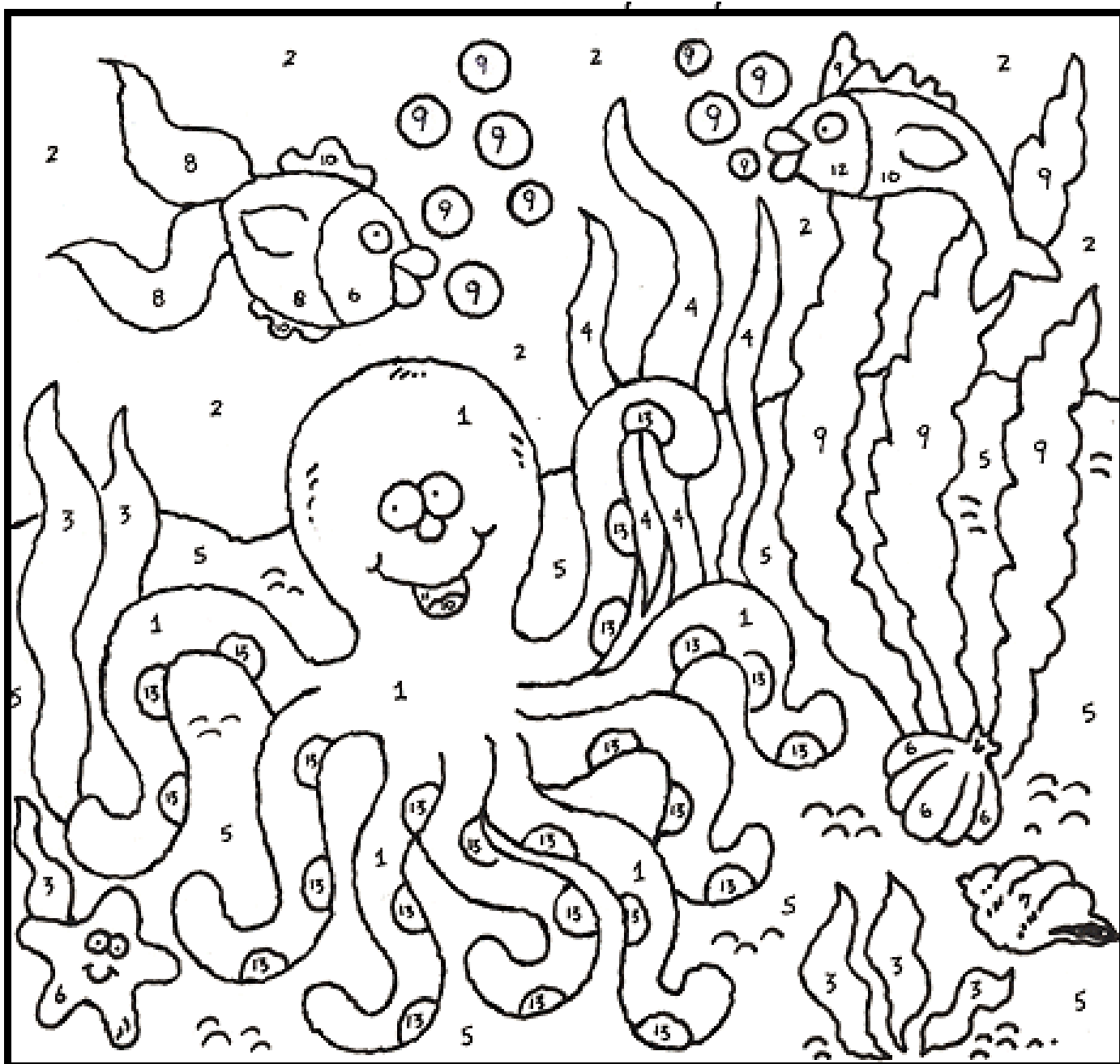
We welcome younger siblings into the classes free of charge up to the age of 30 months and up to 36 months if they are not actively participating in the classes. They do however sometimes find it difficult to stay concentrated for the full session and can become distracting to the other children. I would be very grateful if you could bring along some toys, crayons etc to keep your younger one entertained and happy and to allow the older children to focus on their class.

Don't forget – in the general group classes there should always be an adult responsible for each child in the classroom – this is to help your child with activities and also other things that they may need – like toilet trips and to deal with runny noses!! It also means that you get to learn lots of Spanish too...

Current Group Classes

Royston	Mondays 3.45-4.15pm Mondays 4.30-5.00pm Mondays 5.15-5.45pm	Pre-school - Foundation Key Stage 1 Key Stage 2
Letchworth	Tuesdays 3.45-4.15pm	Pre-school - Year 1
Harpenden	Tuesdays 3.45-4.15pm Tuesdays 4.30-5.00pm	Pre-school – Year 1 Key Stage 1 plus
St Albans	Wednesdays 3.45-4.15pm Wednesdays 4.30-5.00pm	Pre-school - Year 1 Key Stage 1 plus
Baldock	Thursdays 3.45-4.15pm Thursdays 4.30-5.00pm	Pre-school - Year 1 Key Stage 1 plus
Hertford	Thursdays 3.45-4.15pm Thursdays 4.30-5.00pm	Pre-school - Year 1 Key Stage 1 plus

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negro
verde claro

azul turquesa
rojo
rosa
verde oscuro

blanco
morado
naranja
gris

marrón
violeta
azul claro

Colour in the picture using the numbers on the picture and your very own colour code!

Next term dates.....

Monday 13 September – Friday 03 December

Half term: Monday 25 - Friday 29 October

These term dates are not the same for every group - please check your individual course confirmation letter for your specific course dates and prices as there may be some local changes due to teacher and room availability.

PRICE FREEZE! You'll be pleased to know that prices for the general group classes will be remaining the same as this term. These are £5.50 per session and £3.95 for siblings. This is an eleven week term and the cost therefore for one child will be £60.50 and for a younger sibling £43.45. In addition, there is a one off payment for the activity packs of £7.50 (+£1.50 p&p) for the term. **Please do check your individual course confirmation letter for details specific to your group.**

If you pay for your course before **August 1st you will receive the activity pack for just £1.50 (p&p) – making a saving of £7.50.**

As with last term, the teachers will no longer be able to accept payment for the classes in the class. Please could you either pay by cheque or by BACS – you will find all the payment details on the course confirmation letter accompanying this newsletter.

I hope that you will be continuing with us next term. As usual, I will reserve all existing students a place in their current class unless advised otherwise. If for any reason you do not wish to continue or your schedule is changing and you need to change class, I would be very grateful if you could let me know as soon as possible before the end of term. I can then offer places to children on the waiting lists.

Money saving offers from Little Linguists....

- Recommend a friend – if you recommend Little Linguists to a friend, they can enjoy their first lesson free of charge. If they then join the group you will receive a lesson free of charge the following term. There is no limit to this offer – the more friends you introduce, the more free lessons you will receive. Please ask them to mention your name at the time of booking!
- First lesson free (for new and returning Little Linguists) – the first lesson has always been a completely no obligation free trial. This is now also available to children who may have had a break from Little Linguists – maybe they had ballet or swimming at the same time or started school and were finding it all a bit much. Returning Little Linguists and their siblings can now enjoy their first lesson back for free. Come along and see how you get on!
- Book and pay early – If you book and pay for your course next term before 1st August you will receive the activity pack for just £1.50 (p&p).

I hope that you enjoy the rest of the term and look forward to welcoming you back for the autumn term