



TDDN Newsletter

March 2018



Please provide warm and waterproof outdoor clothing (labelled) for your child/ren to wear in the spring months - we do take them out, whatever the weather!

If you are looking for additional days or sessions, please come to the office and complete an "Additional Session Request" form. We will look to support the request as soon as spaces become available.

WOW moments and Children's Folders
Please do remember to share any WOW moments with the team here at TDDN - and don't forget to check your child's folder too!

Please could you also make sure that your child has a spare (named) change of clothes and wipes at Nursery, especially if your child is toilet training.

We hope you had a lovely Holi.
If you celebrated it please come and share your knowledge with our children and team.

Thank you.



Please drop off and collect your child at the correct times. Early arrivals and late collections will be charged.

How much time is your child spending in front of a screen? Eg - mobile phone, iPad, Television, computer? Is it too much?

MEDICINES

Please DO NOT LEAVE in your child's bag. They must be handed into the office. Thank you.

Have you applied for your 30 hour code?

Dates for your Diary

Family Breakfast - Tues 13th 8.30 - 9.30 am

Library Visit - Weds 21st

Nursery will be closed on Friday 31st March and Monday 2nd April

No Mobile Phones

Please remember to switch off and put away ALL mobile phones when you arrive at Nursery - thank you.



We will be reviewing our spring menus, if you have any idea please speak to Mr Dave in the office.

We have notice a number of you are carrying your children up the stairs. For health and safety please do not do this. Also by helping your child climb the stairs it will help them develop the gross motors skills. The EYFS states that early education programmes should:

"provide opportunities for young children to be active and interactive; and to develop their co-ordination, control, and movement. Children must also be helped to understand the importance of physical activity and to make healthy choices in relation to food."

When kids are active, their brain develops. Frequent exercise decreases symptoms of depression and anxiety in children.

Mr David's Message

Dear Parents,

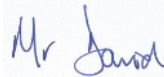
Well, last month proved wintry in the extreme, but we were all very busy giving children plenty of activities with learning thought the day – no closures – no late starts or early finishes due to snow/ice. Our Nursery teams, who parents tell me are so much appreciated, were outstanding yet again.

Also, everyone gave great support to World Book Day – fabulous reading of favourites stories from children's books and children and staff dressing in character costumes. Thank you parents and staff for your terrific support. We also celebrated the festival of Holi – easily recognised by the 'splash' of colours everywhere. Good job it was poster paint!

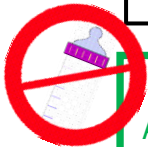
Coming up, mentioned elsewhere, Ann Mason Awards for outstanding nursery nurses supporting children experiencing SEND, an 8:30am family breakfast (whether your normal session or not, please come in together and join us). Plus, the re-opening of our nursery garden at St Ann's Retirement Home.

A special welcome to our new member of staff – arriving with much previous experience, now working in our Cubs Room: Miss Shital.

Please look for our Easter Holiday closure times, mentioned in this newsletter.



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Impact of bottles

At six months old, your child should begin moving off the bottle and on to a free-flow feeder cup. Try to stop using bottles altogether by the age of one, because the teats and spouts encourage children to suck for long periods of time, meaning the drinks that cause tooth decay stay in contact with your child's teeth for a long time. It may also have an impact on your child's speech and language.

Tax-Free Childcare

All eligible parents with children under 12 will be able to apply for Tax-Free Childcare from 14th February. Parents can receive up to £2,000 per child per year through Tax-Free Childcare, and can use this to pay you for childcare. If you haven't signed up yet, find out more at: www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/providers You'll find a range of communications materials you can use in our communications toolkit: <http://transfer.23red.com/public/files/3x0j-47c7fkfg> Parents can find out more about the government childcare offers and apply at: www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

The Government has announced that the childcare voucher scheme will close to new entrants on 6 April 2018. Any working parent who currently uses registered childcare (or plans to use registered childcare in future) needs to sign up to their employer's childcare voucher scheme **AND RECEIVE A VOUCHER** by 5 April.

Policy Summary

Collection of Children Policy

Parents must please note that Training Depot Day Nursery operates from 7am – 6pm. Parents are to ensure children are not brought to the Nursery earlier than 7am and are collected before 6pm. The Nursery closes at 6pm. If a parent is unavoidably delayed due to unforeseen circumstance beyond their control, they must telephone the Nursery to inform them.

If a parent/ carer/guardian fails to collect their child/children by 6pm when the Nursery closes, the member of management present will contact the parent/carers on the telephone numbers given and request immediate collection of their child. The Nursery will not release the child/children to an unauthorised person, even if the collection is past 6pm.

If the child/children have not been collected by 6.30pm and the member of management has been unable to contact the child's / children's parent / carer, the **Emergency Duty Team within the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) will be contacted on Tel: Out of normal working hours emergencies: 03003 008123.** Advice and instructions given by the Duty Officer will be followed. A record is kept of all children who are not collected by 6.00pm. This record includes the date, the time at which the child was collected, the name(s) of the child/children who were collected late.

A late fee is charged for late collections, both morning and night.