



# TDDN Newsletter

## May 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!

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



### Teeth!

Mr Dave will be organising the trip to the dentist in May. If your child is not registered, please speak to Mr Dave about more information.

We will be sharing dentist resources in the Tigers room, why not pop into the Tigers to have a look and ask your children how they have enjoyed playing with it.

Please talk to us about which school your child is moving onto, so we can share our data with your child's school.

Recommendations to make the transition easier:

- Visit the school
- Attend open days and evening.
- Have a look at the webpages of the school to give you more insight into the schools' policies and ethos.
- If you need advice speak to the family worker, they will be more than happy to help.

For more information go on to the log onto the following link  
<https://www.flyingstartluton.com/transition/parent-transition-resources/>

### Team Building Day

Thank you to the parents who were so complimentary about our team and were willing to be recorded on our iPad.

Please add us as a friend on Facebook to keep up to date ...



<https://www.facebook.com/trainingdepot.daynursery.06>

We will be having the chicks visiting us, please make sure you make time to take your child to have a look and discuss how they have been helping to look after them

There will be various goals we will be looking at using the chicks to observe by looking at how they will hatch. See below for an example of 3 early learning goals.

Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things.

They talk about the features of their own environment and how environments might vary from one another.

They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.

We were very happy to receive our 'Healthy Smiles Award' again for 2018.



Parents evening was a great success.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the questionnaires.

Here are some of the comments: -

- I am always pleased with the nursery and how they support \*\*\* and his progression, thank you!
- I am happy with everything explained to me.
- Excellent staff, very personable.
- Staff are helpful and my daughter is happy.
- I am happy with the way the nursery is with children and their welfare.
- I would like to see the new keyworker
- Excellent! Very thorough in explaining the EYFS goals.
- I think you're doing your job really well
- She's amazing!
- All good and excellent goals

Please can we remind you that children are only allowed to wear stud earrings – NOT hoops.

Please remember to collect and drop off your child promptly, charges are payable if booked session times are not adhered to.

Dates for your Diary

**Nursery Closed: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> – Bank Holiday**  
**Half Term for Grant Only Children – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June**

**Jo Jingles for Cubs and Tigers**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> – 2.30 – 3.30

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> – 2.30 – 3.30

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> – 2.30 – 3.30

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> – 2.30 – 3.30

**Library Visit – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – 10am**

## Mr David's Message

Dear Parents,

### WHAT DOES SAFEGUARDING YOUR CHILD MEAN TO YOU?

- a) Ignoring numerous notices and friendly staff requests to turn OFF your mobile when entering nursery?
- b) Not securing your child in a safety harness when either arriving or leaving by car?
- c) Failing to give nursery new mobile or home or work telephone number?
- d) Failing to give nursery **same day** notice of a child's absence - sickness or holiday?
- e) Neglecting to provide, clean change of clothes/nappies/wipes?
- f) Never reading nursery e-mails/letters/notices or checking their work from corridor wall pockets?

Sadly, we witness these SIX behaviours regularly by over 50% of families and carers.

None of these SIX behaviours are Nursery Policy or the practice of our staff.

These behaviours will never keep your children safe.

We regularly send out summaries of our Safeguarding, Health and Safety and other vitally important policies monthly with our parents' newsletter. We require all families to work with us to safeguard every single child at our Nursery. No exceptions.

Please amaze us all by supporting our activities in May created and designed to give your child a rich experience of learning in a warm friendly environment. Your commitment will be measured by the enquiries and responses we receive.

1. Nursery Visit London Zoo Whipsnade - May
2. St Anne's Retirement Home - Mud Kitchen experience and gardening. [OLD CLOTHES]
3. Nursery photographer
4. Healthy Smiles

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## Summary of Cyber Safety/Use of Social Networking Sites Policy

The children in the setting have no free access to the Internet. There is frequent usage of the computers by all the children, using age appropriate educational discs on a scheduled access with adult supervision only. Signed parental permission is required when the Nursery uses any images of a child on our website or Facebook. Staff internet access is only accessible with permission from Management.

- Staff must be aware of keeping all details regarding Nursery confidential.
- It is important for Staff to maintain their responsibility as professional childcare workers and not to foster online friendships with parents. We also discourage parents from discussing the Nursery on Social Media sites.
- If any Staff members have parents that are family on a social networking site, then there should be **NO** discussions about the Nursery, staff, children, parents etc.
- Staff are not permitted to hold conversations, discussions, interactions or opinions with another member of staff, a friend, parent, student or volunteer on email, Facebook, chat rooms, Twitter or any other form of media that can be viewed or heard by someone else, in relation to any details regarding the Nursery, staff member, children, parents, students, volunteers, an issue, occurrence, event or concern that has happened or is due to happen at Nursery.
- Staff, under no circumstances, are to use social networking sites whilst in the Nursery rooms, use is only permitted during staff break times in the Staff Room.
- TDDN Facebook is used to inform parents of upcoming events, trips, bank holidays etc.

At Flying Start South Practitioners are busy inviting parents/carers to join their 'EasyPeasy Pod' – an online community where they can communicate with other parents/carers and receive data on their engagement.

EasyPeasy is an opportunity for families with children under 5 years to receive posts every week about new, low cost/no cost activities for young children via their phones.

EasyPeasy is being delivered for 5 months, fully-funded by Luton Flying Start, to a selection of Luton settings and the Flying Start Children's Centre.

Every Saturday EasyPeasy sends game ideas, video tutorials, information and advice, to parents' mobile phones, encouraging real world play and positive interactions at home. The videos show the families enjoying playing together and having fun! The activities are very simple, encouraging eye contact, communication (verbal and non-verbal) and interaction between the adult and child/children.

Regular updates are sent to the setting/Children's Centre so that we know how many parents/carers are signed up and how many are using the App.

EasyPeasy is a proven school readiness intervention being evaluated by the University of Oxford.

EasyPeasy targets parents with children aged 2.5-5 years old, and activities can be adapted for younger children.

There is no cost to the parent/carer for the service.

You can read more about EasyPeasy and check out an example game on the website [www.easypeasyapp.com](http://www.easypeasyapp.com)

