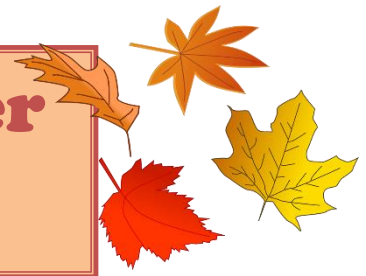




TDDN Newsletter

October 2018



To encourage your children to be independent...

PLEASE can you send them to Nursery in velcro shoes NOT laces.

Thank you.



Healthy Smiles

Have you registered your child with a Dentist? If you need help please speak to Mr Dave in the office.

As a part of our Healthy Smiles accreditation we are looking to pilot a program of helping children brushing their teeth.

CLOTHING - Please could you make sure that your child has a spare (named) change of clothes at Nursery. And please, NO hooped earrings.

Thank you.



Happy Diwali and Happy New Year to everyone celebrating!



Celebrations

Please note that due to our commitment to promote healthy lifestyles we cannot give out sweets, biscuits, cake and sugary drinks to celebrate birthdays. Below are alternative treat you may like to provide:

- Stickers
- Bags of fruit – grapes, pineapple etc.
- Pencils or other stationary items
- Bags of plain popcorn

NO BIRTHDAY CAKE PLEASE

Applying for school? Need help? Please speak to us if you are unsure. For information about getting your child school ready. Follow this link -

<https://www.flyingstartluton.com/transition/parent-transition-resources/>

Have we got your correct details? Please keep us up to date with any address/email or phone number changes.

No Mobile Phones

Mobile phones are not permitted to be switched on in the Nursery due to Safeguarding requirements.



Did you know the BBC may be visiting? Have you returned your letter?

BBC

PARENTS NEEDED

We are looking for parents who are happy to come in for ½ an hour to discuss their jobs with our children. Please speak to your child's Room Leader to let us know you would be happy to help.

Please remember all children need to be collected by 6. If you would like an in-depth handover, please come 10 minutes earlier. Or book an appointment to speak to your child's Key Worker.





Please be considerate to our staff when leaving buggies and/or car seats in our garage – we need to access the garage throughout the day.

Parent Questionnaires Staff have given out questionnaire to all new parents, please help by completing these questionnaires and handing them by to your child's Room Leader.

You will be invited to complete the second part of your child's baseline, and meet your child's Key Worker soon.

Is Your Child 2?

Your two year old could get 15 hours a week of free childcare, from the term after they turn two, if you receive any of these benefits:

- Universal Credit
- Income support
- Income based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance (if you are unable to work due to illness or disability)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit and earn £16,190 or less per year
- Working Tax Credit and earn £16,190 or less per year
- The Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

Or your child:

- Has a current statement of special educational need (SEN) or an Education, Health and Care plan
- Receives Disability Living Allowance
- Has left care through special guardianship, adoption or residence order
- Is looked after by the local authority



Active Luton's ME TIME Family (Flying Start programme) is a family activity project, designed to give prenatal, postnatal parents with babies and young children five years and under an active start to life!

We aim to reduce barriers to participation by offering affordable, accessible and local activities to increase the health and wellbeing of our Luton families. We deliver a holistic approach to lifelong activity pathways that support a sustainable change in behaviour that will reduce the risk of long term health conditions.

Fundraising

We would really like your help to raise money for Keech Hospice who provide free, specialist care for adults and children with life-limiting and terminal illnesses as well as vital support for their family and friends. We believe Keech provides a vital service for our community.

Our target is to reach £3000.00, and our dream is to exceed this amount. We are hoping to achieve this by holding small fundraising events throughout the year, which we will be sharing through different social media – please keep a look out for more details. Our first event is on Saturday 20th October.

We are also planning to climb Snowdon Mountain next year. We will begin training in January. Any tips or help and advice would be great!

Universal credit

- Housing benefit
- Child tax credit
- Income support
- Job seekers allowance
- Income related employment

YOU WILL NEED TO APPLY ONLINE, YOU WILL NEED AN EMAIL ADDRESS. There is free access to a computer at the library. You will only get paid from the date of the submission. If you receive any of these benefits, please do not leave it until the last minute.

For more information log on to the following link
<https://www.gov.uk/universal-credit>
 For free school meals you will still need to apply to the local council.

Toilet Training

Children returning after the summer and being transitioned into the Tigers Room will take time to adjust to their new environment. Please be patient, children will have 'accidents' – this is all part of the learning process.

Mr David's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Everyone here at Training Depot is working very hard to help your children overcome the difficulties of being separated from parents and other family as they start their learning journey with us. It is a privilege to be trusted with these important steps new children are taking. Thank you for choosing us to be the nursery of your choice.

After only 4 weeks, new children in our care are already showing great steps forward in overcoming the difficulties with the uncertainty of separation. It is great to see and hear that they are all making a great transition. But if anyone should have concerns or questions please ask Nursery Room Leaders.

The October Newsletter is packed with information relating to activities under way this term. PLEASE use our letter to be aware and be alongside your child with questions and encouragement in the experiences they are enjoying. Your support is tremendously important to nursery staff as well as your child.

Also my own request, please do help our team in their fundraising activities for Keech Hospice Charity – over the coming months - with setting such an ambitious target to reach. Thank you.



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Dates for your Diary

Active Luton for Tigers -

Tuesday 2nd – 10.45 – 11.45am

Tuesday 16th – 10.45 – 11.45am

Tuesday 30th – 10.45 – 11.45am

Autumn Walk - Thursday 11th October 10am and 2pm

Library Visit - Wednesday 17th October - 10am

Cultural Week - Monday 15th – Friday 19th

Family Breakfast - Friday 19th October - 8.30 - 9.30 am

TDDN Charity Event - Saturday 20th October.

Half Term Holiday (Grant Only Children) - Monday 22nd - Friday 26th October